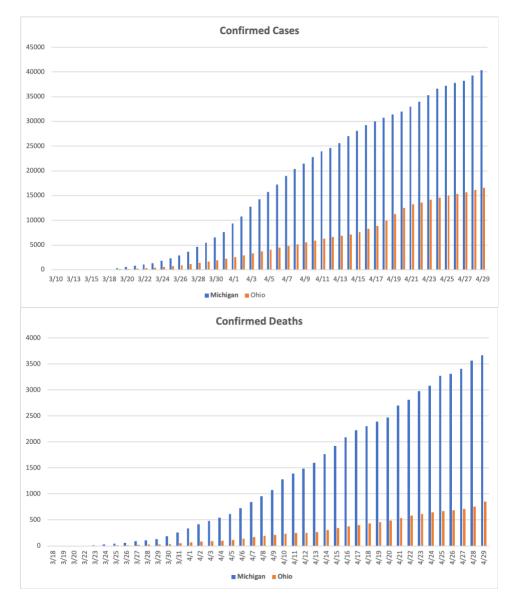
COVID-19 SPECIAL UPDATE 4.29.2020

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Michigan Daily Cases: 1,137 Total Cases: 40,399 Daily Deaths: 103 Total Deaths: 3,670 Ohio Daily Cases: 473 Total Cases: 16,601 Daily Deaths: 99 Total Deaths: 856



Governor Gretchen Whitmer has not issued any new Executive Orders (hyperlinks below with all EOs).

College Tuition Program for Essential Workers Announced

Governor Gretchen Whitmer announced the "Futures for Frontliners" program, which provides tuition-free postsecondary education opportunities for essential workers. Eligible workers include those staffing hospitals, nursing homes, stocking the shelves at grocery stores, providing childcare to critical infrastructure workers, manufacturing PPE, protecting public safety, picking up trash, or delivering supplies. Governor Whitmer will work with the legislature to get her proposal passed.

Michigan Articles

Governor Whitmer is expected to announce that construction can begin again on May 7. Click here to read more.

The "Child Care Relief Fund" was announced by **Governor Whitmer** today, which would provide direct, non-competitive grants to childcare providers to ensure essential workers can find childcare. <u>Click here for more information</u>.

The state will likely need assistance from the federal government in **order to pay unemployment benefits** to residents as the unemployment trust fund continues to be depleted. <u>Click here to read more</u>.

The **Michigan Chamber of Commerce** has compiled a list of PPE resources for business looking to purchase equipment for employees. <u>Click here for the list.</u>

National Articles

The experts continually push the need for **contact tracing**, however, states across the country aren't prepared. <u>Click here to read more</u>.

The **Virtual Congress Task Force** are meeting to find ways for Congressional business to continue during this time of social distancing. <u>Click here to read more</u>.

Despite members' concerns, the Senate will head back to Washington next week, per **Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell**. <u>Click here to read more</u>.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi has named six more members to the House committee providing oversight of the federal spending in response to the virus. <u>Click here to read more.</u>

Description and Links to Governor Whitmer's Executive Orders Related to COVID-19:

While we have been sharing these executive orders with you as they were announced, the

following is a complete list with links to each of the Executive Orders (new orders are highlighted):

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-63 – Extends existing personal protection orders until 90 days after Michigan's emergency declaration is lifted.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-62 – Details the Department of Correction's risk-reduction protocols and encourages county jails and local lockups to adopt them.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-61 – Extends and expands a prior order relaxing the scope of practice laws, allowing qualified physician assistants, nurses, and other health care providers to help combat COVID-19.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-60 – Establishes requirements to reduce exposure for customers and employees at pharmacies and food-selling establishments.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-59 – Extends the Stay-at-Home order through May 15 and eases certain restrictions from the prior order. Requires face masks when in an enclosed public building.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-58 – Extends the deadline of case-initiation of civil and probate matters.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-57 – Expands eligibility for unemployment benefits.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-56 – Extends the previous order, allowing pharmacists to refill prescriptions for up to a 60-day supply and requires insurance to cover the refills.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-55 – Creates the Michigan Coronavirus Task Force on Racial Disparities.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-54 – Extends the prohibition on evictions or demanding possession of premises for nonpayment through May 15.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-53 – Extends the restrictions through May 15 on excessive pricing of goods, materials, emergency supplies, and consumer food items.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-52 – Temporarily suspends requirements for in-person examinations for renewals of pesticide certificates.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-51 – Extends the expansion of childcare access during the COVID-19 emergency through May 13.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-50 – The state will work with long-term care facilities to establish regional hubs, which will provide higher levels of care and services.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-49 – Extends until May 12 the authority for the departments to waive or defer certain requirements in order to expedite the process of bringing additional care facilities online.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-48 – Extends until May 12 the ability for local boards, commissions, councils, nonprofit boards, and others, to meet utilizing telephones or video conferencing.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-47 – Temporarily extends the expiration of driver's licenses, state id cards, and commercial vehicle registration that expires during the emergency declaration.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-46 – Tasks the Michigan Liquor Control Commission to initiate a spirits buy-back program for bars and restaurants.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-45 – Extends the allowance of certain state administrative hearings to be held by video conference or phone in place of in-person hearings through May 11.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-44 – Extends the relief from weight and other delivery-related restrictions for vehicles carrying essential supplies to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 through May 11.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-43 – Extends the prior restrictions on the use of public places of accommodations through April 30. This includes restaurants, gyms, theaters, and more.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-41 – Allows the use of electronic signatures, remote notarizations, remote witness attestations and acknowledgments, and remote visitations.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-40 – Waives International Fuel Tax Association credentialing requirements for motor carriers delivering certain products.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-39 – Suspends certain requirements regarding licensing and regulation of emergency medical services.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-38 – Allows public bodies to defer portions of FOIA requests that would require workers to report to work in-person.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-37 – Renews the previous restrictions on entry into care facilities and juvenile justice facilities, extending it until May 3.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-36 – Prohibits employers from firing or disciplining an employee who stays home if they or someone close to them tests positive for COVID-19.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-35 – Orders K-12 schools to remain closed for the remainder of the school year.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-34 – Provides clarity on the earlier order placing temporary restrictions on non-essential veterinary services.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-33 – Declares a state of disaster for Michigan and expands the state of emergency.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-31 – Suspends the April 1 requirement for lower vapor pressure gasoline.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-28 – Requires the reconnection of water service to residences that have had their water shut off.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-27 – Allows the Department of State to assist local jurisdictions in mailing absentee ballot applications to every registered voter for the May 5 election.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-26 – Moves all April tax filing deadlines to July.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-22 – Extends the deadline to complete the canvass of the March 10 primary to April 24.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-17 – Provides temporary restrictions on non-essential medical and dental procedures.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-14 - Temporary extension of deadline to redeem property for nonpayment of delinquent property taxes.

Additionally, the following website is a source for updated information from the administration: <u>https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus</u>.

While these are very uncertain times, please know that the MLC Team is available to answer your questions. Additionally, we will provide regular updates as more information becomes available.

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