COVID-19 Return to Work

Prepare, Restore, Thrive

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What Is COVID-19

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• Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an illness caused by a new virus SARS CoV-2
• Spread occurs from person to person and environment to person
• Symptoms can be very mild to severe

Why is COVID-19 concerning?
• COVID-19 virus is more contagious and deadly than influenza
• No approved treatment or vaccine available
• COVID-19 has become a pandemic of proportions not seen since the Spanish Flu in the early 1900s
Top Things to Know

- New Symptoms
  - Loss of smell and taste
  - Hypercoagulable state
- Expanded COVID-19 Testing Capability… *Hotline 616-486-1075*
- Face mask and social distancing reminder
- Ethnic and racial disparities
Michigan Data
COVID-19 Prediction Minimum Social Distancing | SHWM – March 24

- Peak 29,088 on July 7
- Max Bed Capacity on May 21
- Bed Capacity stabilized on September 1
- 103 Days being over capacity
COVID-19 Surge Level Update

• Currently in **blue** status
• Restarting surgeries, procedures and radiology studies as appropriate for safe patient care
• ED triage tents: BL, HDVCH and regional hospitals closed due to low volumes; will scale back up if needed; BW tent still open
• Exploring how to safely ramp back up some ambulatory operations and ancillary services
• ‘Safe Care’ communications for our communities to encourage seeking medically-necessary care
Expanded COVID-19 Testing Capability

- Revised state guidelines for screening patients with mild COVID-19 symptoms
- Expanded COVID-19 testing equipment and supplies
  - Most specimens tested at Spectrum Health Regional Lab in Grand Rapids
  - Results in less than 24 hours; Run more than 1,500 tests/day
- Testing requires provider order and appointment
- Also, rapid tests can be done locally, in the hospital laboratory (results in less than 2 hrs)
  - United and Kelsey
  - Pennock
  - Zeeland Community
  - Gerber Memorial
  - Ludington
  - Big Rapids and Reed City
  - Blodgett
  - Spectrum Health Lakeland in St. Joseph