

**EXECUTIVE ORDER /ORDER OF THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER**

Having determined it necessary, pursuant to the authority granted by Ohio Revised Code, including authorities found in R.C. 3701.13 and 733.01 to “make special orders...for preventing the spread of contagious or infectious diseases”, having determined an Emergency exists, we do Order all City offices, boards, councils, departments or other similar public points of contact to:

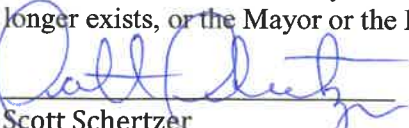
- 1.) Maintain a list of all persons who have personally appeared at, in, or before by name and address, by date.
  
- 2.) Ensure strict compliance with the State’s Order to not congregate, gather or come together in a number of persons greater than the State’s Order and to ensure compliance with the CDC’s no closer than 6 feet of close contact between persons present. Public bodies should avoid gathering. Where possible, alternative means shall be employed such as video conferencing with public access link provided via internet. This being consistent with the State Attorney General’s opinion that video conferencing with public access does not violate Ohio’s open meetings law.

This Order is made to avoid the imminent threat with a high probability of widespread exposure to COVID-19 with a significant risk of substantial harm to a large number of the people in the general population, including the elderly, people with weakened immune systems and chronic medical conditions, by reasonable monitoring efforts focused on preventing the spread of contagious or infectious diseases. This Order has been found to be necessary to prevent, manage or limit the spread of COVID-19 which is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, a new strain of coronavirus that has not been previously identified in humans and can easily be spread from person to person. The virus is spread between individuals who are in close contact with each other (within about six feet) through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.


On January 23, 2020 the ODH issued a Director’s Journal Entry making COVID-19 a Class A reportable disease in Ohio. On January 31, 2020 Health and Human Services Secretary, Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency for the United States to aid the nation’s healthcare community in responding to COVID-19. On March 9, 2020 the Governor of Ohio Declared a State of Emergency in Executive Order 2020-01D. On March 11, 2020 the head of the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic.

As of March 17, 2020 Ohio has confirmed sixty-seven (67) cases of COVID-19 in sixteen (16) counties throughout the state.

In order to prevent, monitor and address the spread of COVID-19, it is necessary to issue this Order. This Order shall take effect immediately and remain in full force and effect until the State of Emergency declared by the Governor no longer exists, or the Mayor or the Health Commissioner rescinds or modifies this Order.

  
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Scott Schertzer  
Mayor City of Marion, Ohio

3/19/2020  
Date

  
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Traci Kinsler JD, CPH  
Marion Public Health Commissioner

3/19/20  
Date