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Memo: "Stay Home, Stay Safe" executive order
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Governor Gretchen Whitmer and Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Chief Medical Executive Dr. Joneigh Khaldun will provide an update regarding the state's response efforts to COVID-19 and "Stay Home, Stay Safe" executive order.

Governor Gretchen Whitmer

- Virus cases in Michigan have doubled over the weekend
- Buying time is the only way we can combat the virus. If we stay on current trajectory, 70% will be infected, and over 1 million will need to be hospitalized.
- Hospitals will be overrun if we don't stay home
- Too many people are still going out
- The problem has been exacerbated due to not getting support from Federal Government
- National Strategic Stockpile- PPE has been allocated for hospitals, barely enough to cover one shift (with exception of gloves).
- The EO is to buy time to allow us to ramp up testing and allow treatment.
- Even with EO, it will take time to slow new cases.
- All experts recommended this action
- Critical Services will remain open, defined as services needed to sustain and maintain life
- Businesses that remain open need to maintain cleaning practices.
- Grocery Stores will remain open, along with:
 - Pharmacy
 - Banks
 - Gas Stations
 - Michigan.gov/coronavirus has full list
- Young people are vulnerable- need them to stay inside
- Working with business community
- Call healthcare providers if you think you have it- call

Dr. Joneigh Khaldun

- Continue to see significant increases in cases; 1232 confirmed cases- including UP
- 15 deaths
- Affecting all ages
- HHS has been preparing for over 2 months

- Can test over 1000/ day with partnerships
- Improving communications to convey both positive and negative test results
- Emergency departments are still under resourced- need ventilators and other materials.
- We need to ensure hospitals can continue to operate.
- These proactive measures are aggressive, but temporary.

Questions (to Governor Whitmer):

How will the EO will be enforced?

This is an order, not a recommendation. Essential services are still available. Businesses that don't head this order will face fines and other repercussions. The National Guard is only doing humanitarian work- not enforcement.

Will there be Checkpoints?

No, this order is for their own health. There will be ramifications for non-compliance. Businesses need to protect their employees and not skirt the rules.

Will Restaurant Delivery Services still be allowed to operate?

Restaurants are still considered essential services, so they can maintain services to serve the public.

What criteria was used to define "essential services"?

The order clarifies what services are "essential", and can be seen in the EO.

Healthcare workers have discrepancies for guidelines from the State and Federal Gov't (CDC)- whose should they follow?

(Dr. Khaldun) We use CDC info to set our guidelines, but the more granular guidelines were set because of locals not having enough clarification. Follow the state and CDC.

What about companies making essential equipment?

Covered by the EO if they are retrofitting to make needed equipment.

What are fines for violation?

We'll have to get back with you. HHS is the primary assessor of these fines.

What changed to enact this EO?

Exponential growth has shown our system will get overrun. Aggressive action is needed to stop the spread. Young people are susceptible- the US is unique in rates of young people getting infected.

Will May Elections be affected?

Working with SOS and legislature to see if we can improve ability for people to vote from home.

Are temporary hospitals going up? Is ventilator shortage still ongoing?

(Dr. Khaldun) Working to ID where more beds are needed. We need more ventilators, and capacity will soon be reached.

Are you tracking hospitalizations?

(Dr. Khaldun) The state is working with hospitals to get accurate numbers. No official number, but dozens are in ICUs.

What is your response to the federal taskforce? What is the responsibility of states?

Will litigate how we got so far behind after this has passed. The national allotment of PPE covered only one hospital shift. Working with every option to acquire equipment. States are fighting each other for resources.

Michigan is calling on everyone to do their part. Stay home, stay safe, save lives.