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### **ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH UPDATE April 6, evening**

**ERIE COUNTY, NY** – The Erie County Department of Health (ECDOH) is making the following announcements.

#### **COVID-19 Data Update**

As of 4/6/2020 (5 p.m.), we have received reports of 1,148 total positive lab-confirmed COVID-19 cases in Erie County residents. 30 Erie County residents have died, and 206 people have recovered. There are currently 912 people in isolation.

We reported 1,149 cases during our live video today. Through our contact tracing process, we discovered that one of those cases is outside Erie County. Our total is 1,148.

#### **Online Case Map**

The Erie County Online COVID-19 Case Mapping Tool has been updated with a ZIP code layer. Access this map at [www.erie.gov/covidmap](http://www.erie.gov/covidmap).

#### **Cloth Face Coverings**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has recommended cloth face coverings (masks) for individuals when spending time in public spaces, like stores, where keeping a six-foot distance from others is not easy or possible. These coverings should:

- fit snugly but comfortably against the side of the face
- be secured with ties or ear loops
- include multiple layers of fabric
- allow for breathing without restriction
- be able to be laundered and machine dried without damage or change to shape

Most people will be able to make these from materials around their home. There are no-sew methods described in detail on the CDC web site.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>

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If someone is ill with respiratory symptoms, they should wear a cloth covering over the nose and mouth when around other people or in public spaces. Masks can also help people avoid touching their faces - which is another way to reduce the risk of infection.

**An important note from CDC:** Cloth face coverings should not be placed on young children under age 2, anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.

Cloth face coverings are a risk reduction tool and should be used along with frequent hand washing, good respiratory etiquette and cleaning/disinfection of frequently touched surfaces.

### Age and Gender Information

The following are tables that reflect the age and gender distribution for cases up to and including April 6, 2020.

Age Group	M	F	Total
>1	0	0	0
1 to 4	0	0	0
5 to 9	1	3	4
10 to 14	1	0	1
15 to 19	4	5	9
20 to 29	67	93	160
30 to 39	80	109	189
40 to 49	79	95	174
50 to 59	113	88	201
60 to 69	110	84	194
70 to 79	58	43	101
80+	56	59	115
Totals	569	579	1148
<i>Data as of April 6, 2020</i>			

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- **Erie County Department of Health, COVID-19 Information Line:** (716) 858-2929 – 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.
- **Erie County Department of Health, COVID-19:** <http://www.erie.gov/covid19>
- **Erie County online map of confirmed cases:** [www.erie.gov/covidmap](http://www.erie.gov/covidmap)
- **New York State Department of Health Hotline:** (888) 364-3065

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