



Coronavirus (COVID-19) **Situation Report:** April 20, 2020

National/State Situation Update:

Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): [website](#)

Pennsylvania State Department of Health: [website](#)

Delaware County: [website](#); Interactive Delaware County COVID-19 Maps, click [LINK](#)

Williamson College of the Trades, Coronavirus update: [website](#)

John Hopkins Univ. COVID-19 Resource Center ([great](#) website with multiple data sources) [LINK](#)

Positive COVID-19 cases in: National: (as of 5:00 pm EST): 776,513 (rise of 91,593 from 4/17)
 PA (as of 5:00 pm EST): 33,232 (rise of 3,791 since 4/17)
 Delaware County (as of 5:00 pm EST): 2,545 (rise of 264 since 4/17)

College Policy Guidance Update:

- If you need to visit campus, please coordinate with Mr. Corey Jackson at (610) 308-9975 or email: cjackson@williamson.edu

Significant Federal, State, or County Policy Changes:

- **NEW:** The CDC released a new interactive mapping software today, tracking rate of infection and statistical data for the past seven days. To access this new data source, please see this [LINK](#)
- The White House released Federal guidelines on April 16th regarding reopening the nation. These guidelines are not regulatory in nature, as each state governor ultimately is the authority office to determine the reopening of their state. For more information on the U.S. guidelines, see this [LINK](#)
- **NEW:** PA Department of Health issues additional operational guidance for essential businesses, specifically in regard to protecting employees. For more information, please see this [LINK](#)
- **NEW:** Governor Wolf in his daily PODCAST discussed initial elements of PA's reopening plan. To view the Governor's PODCAST, select this [LINK](#). Basic policy items include online sales of vehicles, which will be enabled by the signing of SB 841; restart of construction projects statewide starting Friday, May 8; and curbside pickup of wine and spirits at select Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board locations. Governor Wolf also announced that more information regarding reopening businesses regionally would be forthcoming in the next few weeks. The current stay-at-home order is still in effect until May 8th and will likely remain for some areas (e.g. Philadelphia) beyond that date. For more information, please see this [LINK](#)

Note: While the college administration has developed a reopening plan, we will need to await further guidance from the state before the plan is released. Our current CLOSED status remains with distance education continuing for the remainder of the spring term.

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- **NEW: Delaware County:** – Delaware County Council released a short 3-minute video message to county residents. To access the video, please see this [LINK](#)
- **NEW: Delaware County:** The Delaware County Ombudsman Program is available to resolve complaints and issues on behalf of individuals residing in long-term care settings, such as nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and personal care homes. Ombudsmen are available to families of residents residing in Long Term Care facilities during this COVID-19 pandemic Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM—4:30 PM. To connect with a Delaware County Ombudsman, call: 610-872-1868

Upcoming Events at the College:

- Wednesday (4/22) at 12:30 pm: **Weekly Chapel Service** Online to access the service on Go-to-Meeting, please select this link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/487649933>. You can also join by phone at (571) 317-3112, Access Code: 487-649-933
- Wednesday (4/22) at 1:00 pm: **Weekly Update Teleconference:** Dial in Information: Phone #: (201) 616-0673; Passcode: 335196

Government Topics of Interest:

- **NEW:** Several temporary changes to the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP) during the COVID-19 outbreak will ensure children have access to medical services and can be screened or receive treatment for the virus. Under the changes, families will not be denied or removed from CHIP coverage for administrative or financial reasons, including being unable to provide proof of income. In addition, families will not be charged a copay for COVID-19 screening, testing or treatment. For more information, please see this [LINK](#)
- **NEW:** The U.S. Treasury Department and the Internal Revenue Service have begun delivering economic impact payments to most Americans as part of the federal government’s response to COVID-19. Although no action is needed from most taxpayers in order to receive the refund, some seniors and low-income individuals who do not file tax returns may need to take action to receive the money. The IRS recently launched a new [Get My Payment](#) tool that allows people to check on the status of these payments and determine whether additional information is needed. More information is also available at <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/get-my-payment>
- **NEW:** April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. The ChildLine 24/7 hotline to report potential cases of child abuse or neglect continues to operate during the COVID-19 emergency. You can call to report potential cases anonymously at 1-800-932-0313 or [report online](#), where you can also learn about the signs of abuse and neglect.