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Date: 03/11/2020
From: Michael Higgins, Director
Subject: Action Plan: Coronavirus (Covid-19)

Action Plan posted on mvjrc.org web-site. Staff to direct others to web-site for guidance.

Family **visitation** inside the facility **suspended indefinitely** beginning 03-12-20. Regular telephone contact to be maintained. Zoom conferencing option a possibility.

Volunteers entering the facility **suspended indefinitely**.

Only mission critical contractors (building services, food service, medical, law enforcement, court personnel, etc.) will be permitted to enter the facility. Mission critical will be determined by the managing staff.

All individuals, including staff, entering the building will be **subject to a health screening** using the ODYS-issued form "Entry Screening Process for the Prevention of Covid-19 Transmission". All individuals entering the facility will be asked to wash hands pursuant to posted instructions and to use hand sanitizer, if available. A thermometer station will be posted in the Public Lobby to screen re: fever.

Non-essential travel suspended.

Transition Releases suspended. Same length of stay to be maintained to the greatest degree possible via compressed future Transition Releases based on good behavior. New intakes suspended indefinitely.

Early releases based on readiness to re-enter the community and maximum benefit obtained (MVJRC permanent release criteria) **to be pursued**.

Youth and staff training beginning 03-12-20.

Alternative schedules for non-essential staff to be **encouraged**.

Increased cleaning schedule enacted. Instruction and documentation of cleaning to be implemented.

Youth with flu-like symptoms to be placed on **medical isolation** pursuant to agency policy.



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Ohio Department of Health Opens Call Center to Help With COVID-19 Response

1-833-4-ASK-ODH Open Seven Days a Week

(COLUMBUS, Ohio)— Ohio Department of Health Director Amy Acton, MD, MPH, today announced the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) has opened a call center to answer questions regarding coronavirus (COVID-19). The call center will be open 7 days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and can be reached at 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634).

Call center staff includes licensed nurses and infectious disease experts. They will be available to answer questions and provide accurate information about COVID-19, the risk to the public, and the state's response.

There are still no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ohio. The number of potential cases and the results of testing are regularly updated every weekday at coronavirus.ohio.gov.

While the general risk to the public in Ohio is still considered low, it is important to continue to follow standard precautions to prevent the spread of infectious disease. To prevent the spread of any virus including novel coronavirus, practice these preventative measures:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.

Additional information and guidance on COVID-19 is available at ODH's new website, coronavirus.ohio.gov.

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Note to media: B-roll of the call center can be found and downloaded [here](#).