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**October 13, 2020**

**TO:** ALL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY EXECUTIVES, COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS,  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATORS AND COUNTY CLERKS

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**RE:** OCTOBER 13, 2020 COVID-19 UPDATES

### Key Resources

1. [CCAO CARES Act Funds Resources Webpage](#)
2. [Important Deadlines for CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds](#)
3. [OBM Ideas on How to Use Coronavirus Relief Funding](#)
4. [OBM CARES Act Funds Guidance 10.1.2020](#)
5. [CCAO Guidance on Using CARES Act Funds](#)
6. [Treasury Guidance CARES Act Funds 9.2.2020](#)
7. [Treasury CARES Act Funds FAQs 9.2.2020](#)

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### **Gov. DeWine's Press Conference**

During today's press conference, Gov. DeWine discussed Ohio's increasing positivity rate for COVID-19.

The administration added a new Lab Capacity dashboard to help private entities administering COVID-19 tests find labs that can run the samples. The dashboard is available at [coronavirus.ohio.gov](http://coronavirus.ohio.gov).

There was an increase of 1,447 total COVID-19 cases statewide from yesterday's data. For more COVID-19 numbers, visit [coronavirus.ohio.gov](http://coronavirus.ohio.gov).

A video of the governor's October 13<sup>th</sup> press conference can be found [here](#). **The next COVID-19 press conference is scheduled for Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m.** Press conferences can be viewed on [www.ohiochannel.org](http://www.ohiochannel.org).

### **White House Briefing Call Registration – October 14<sup>th</sup>**

The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs will host a **COVID-19 National Briefing Call for State, Local, and Tribal Officials** on Wednesday, October 14, at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The White House will be joined by Senior Administration Officials – including Dr. Deborah Birx, Adm. Brett Giroir (*Assistant Secretary of*



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Health), Dr. Robert Kadlec (*Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response*), and Surgeon General Jerome Adams – for a comprehensive update on COVID-19 trends, Operation Warp Speed (vaccine and therapeutics), testing support for States, Tribes, and localities, and the 2020-21 flu season.

### **Briefing Call Registration**

**Date:** Wednesday, October 14

**Time:** 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time (please note start time and time zone)

**Call-In Registration:** [CLICK HERE](#) (if you have already registered, please disregard)

**Note:** Call-in lines are limited. RSVP's will be allocated in the order they are received. Please register only if you are able to join the call.

### **Request for counties to share CARES Act spending plans with CCAO policy team**

With CARES Act funds being distributed to local governments across the state, counties have a number of options for how they may utilize their funds. As your county decides how to spend its CARES Act funds, please share your ideas with the CCAO policy team. Your ideas can serve as valuable examples to other counties considering different funding options. Please send any resolutions or spending plans to Jon Honeck at [jhoneck@ccao.org](mailto:jhoneck@ccao.org).

### **Coronavirus Relief Fund: Important Deadlines**

The below chart highlights key deadlines regarding CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund dollars between October 2020 and February 2021. To view a pdf version of this chart, click [here](#).

<b>CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND: IMPORTANT DEADLINES</b>	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>ACTIVITY</b>
<b>October 20, 2020</b>	First Interim Financial Report due to OBM via the grants portal for activity through 9/30/2020
<b>October 30, 2020</b>	County Auditor must report initial HB 614 distribution to OBM
<b>November 20, 2020</b>	Unencumbered Funds must be returned to the County Auditor
<b>November 25, 2020</b>	County Auditor must redistribute unencumbered funds
<b>December 1, 2020</b>	County Auditor must report November redistribution amounts to OBM
<b>December 30, 2020</b>	Final Date to incur eligible CRF costs (grant “covered period” extends from 3/1/2020 to 12/30/2020)
<b>January 6, 2021</b>	Second Interim Financial Report due to OBM for activity from 10/1/2020 through 12/31/2020

<b>February 1, 2021</b>	Remaining unspent funds must be returned to OBM
<b>February 10, 2021</b>	Final (Close-out) Financial report due to OBM covering grant liquidation activities that occurred between 1/1/2021 and 1/31/2021
<p>Note: This table is intended as guidance for counties that received CRF resources from the State of Ohio through HB 481 and HB 614. Five counties that received direct US Treasury Funding are considered prime recipients and must report to Treasury rather than OBM.</p>	

### **Other Resources**

[ODJFS Director Hall Weekly Call Notes 10.13.2020](#)

[Public Health Advisory System Map and Resources](#)

[Ohio COVID-19 Travel Advisory Information](#)

[Current Information Regarding Reopening](#)

[Editable #InThisTogetherOhio Logo](#)

[NACo COVID-19 webpage](#)

Visit <https://ccao.org/resources/coronavirus-updates/> for updates, FAQs and previous memos. Current information from the Ohio Department of Health can be found at [www.coronavirus.ohio.gov](http://www.coronavirus.ohio.gov). If you want to help Ohio's response to this pandemic, you can contact the state at [together@governor.ohio.gov](mailto:together@governor.ohio.gov). If you have questions regarding this memo or best practice suggestions relating to COVID-19, please contact Rachel Massoud, policy analyst, at [rmassoud@ccao.org](mailto:rmassoud@ccao.org).