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

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**RE:** MAY 28, 2020 COVID-19 UPDATES

### Key Resources

1. [CAB: Employees Returning to Work FAQs](#)
2. [CAB: Layoffs and Furloughs Under Civil Service Law](#)
3. [Treasury Guidance CARES Act Funds 4.22.2020](#)
4. [Treasury FAQs 5.4.2020](#)
5. [CAB: COVID-19 and Collective Bargaining Issues](#)
6. [Reopening Information](#)

[CCAO COVID-19 Resources Page](#)

**Note: CCAO will be moving to a Tuesday/Thursday memo release, instead of a daily approach, starting next week. Please look for these memos on Tuesdays and Thursdays. CCAO will continue to bring you important updates through our regular publications, Statehouse Report and Counties Current, as well.**

### **Gov. DeWine's COVID-19 Press Conference: County fair guidelines released; assisted living facility outdoor visitation permitted on June 8<sup>th</sup>**

In today's press conference, Gov. DeWine announced that Ohio has now had 33,915 COVID-19 cases. There have been 2,098 COVID-19 related deaths. These numbers include both confirmed and probable cases as reported by ODH. The press release from today's press conference can be found [here](#).

Gov. DeWine released guidelines for county/independent fairs and junior fairs today which you can find [here](#). These guidelines will allow county fair boards/agricultural societies and local health departments to safely allow kids to participate in limited livestock shows and other activities. The governor stated that decisions about county/independent fairs should be made locally because each county and independent fair is unique. Conditions may change over the summer, but the administration is asking each fair to comply with ODH orders and guidelines for sectors that may apply (e.g. food service and rides). The Department of Agriculture is in the process of distributing all state funding available for our 94 county and independent fairs.



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Gov. DeWine announced that assisted living facilities and intermediate care facilities for individuals with developmental disabilities that are properly prepared can begin to allow outdoor visitation beginning on June 8th.

The Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation is deferring employers' premium installments for the months of June, July and August.

A video of the governor's May 28<sup>th</sup> press conference can be found [here](#). **The next press conference is scheduled for Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2 p.m.** Press conferences can be viewed on [www.ohiochannel.org](http://www.ohiochannel.org).

### **Reminder: U.S. Treasury Guidance & FAQs on CARES Act Funding Available**

As a reminder, the U.S. Department of the Treasury has released guidance regarding allowable uses of CARES Act funds. You can read this guidance [here](#). Treasury has also released a Frequently Asked Questions document on this subject, which you can read [here](#). If you have questions, please contact Jon Honeck at [jhoneck@ccao.org](mailto:jhoneck@ccao.org).

### **Ohio Initial Jobless Claims for Sunday, May 17, through Saturday, May 23, 2020**

For the week ending May 23, 2020, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) reported 42,082 initial jobless claims to the U.S. Dept. of Labor. The number of initial jobless claims filed in Ohio over the last 10 weeks (1,257,838) is more than the combined total of those filed during the last three years. To read more, click [here](#).

### **ODJFS Releases COVID-19 Child and Adult Protective Services Toolkit**

ODJFS released a COVID-19 Child and Adult Protective Services Toolkit for county agencies today. To view the toolkit, click [here](#). The document is divided into 11 subject areas: Declining Referrals/Reports of Child Abuse and Neglect during COVID-19; Intake/Assessment; Visitation; Congregate Care Settings; Title IV-E Considerations; Reunification/Case Closures; Children Emancipating from Custody; COVID-19 Result Notification; Adult Protective Services; Important ODJFS Links; and Other Important Links.

### **CCAO/CORSA/CEBCO COVID-19 Weekly Briefing Call**

CCAO, CORSA and CEBCO are hosting a weekly briefing call during the COVID-19 pandemic. **The calls will be on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m.** The next call will be Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. The call-in information is:

**Dial 1-877-273-4202  
Access code 889-229-624**

We ask that participants pose questions during the call by **texting** Rachel Massoud (CCAO policy analyst) at **513-543-3723**. Rachel will read the questions to our speaker(s) and state the name and title of the person who posed the question. Participants will remain muted throughout the duration of the call. We hope this format will keep our calls focused and concise and provide the best experience possible for our participants.

### **Other Resources**

[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 Adam Schwiebert, policy analyst, at [aschwiebert@ccao.org](mailto:aschwiebert@ccao.org), or Rachel Massoud, policy analyst, at [rmasoud@ccao.org](mailto:rmasoud@ccao.org).