



Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, March 27, 2020

0800 Hours

Welcome & Ground Rules – Planning Section Chief



1. Welcome
2. Introductions
3. Expected Outcomes
4. Ground Rules

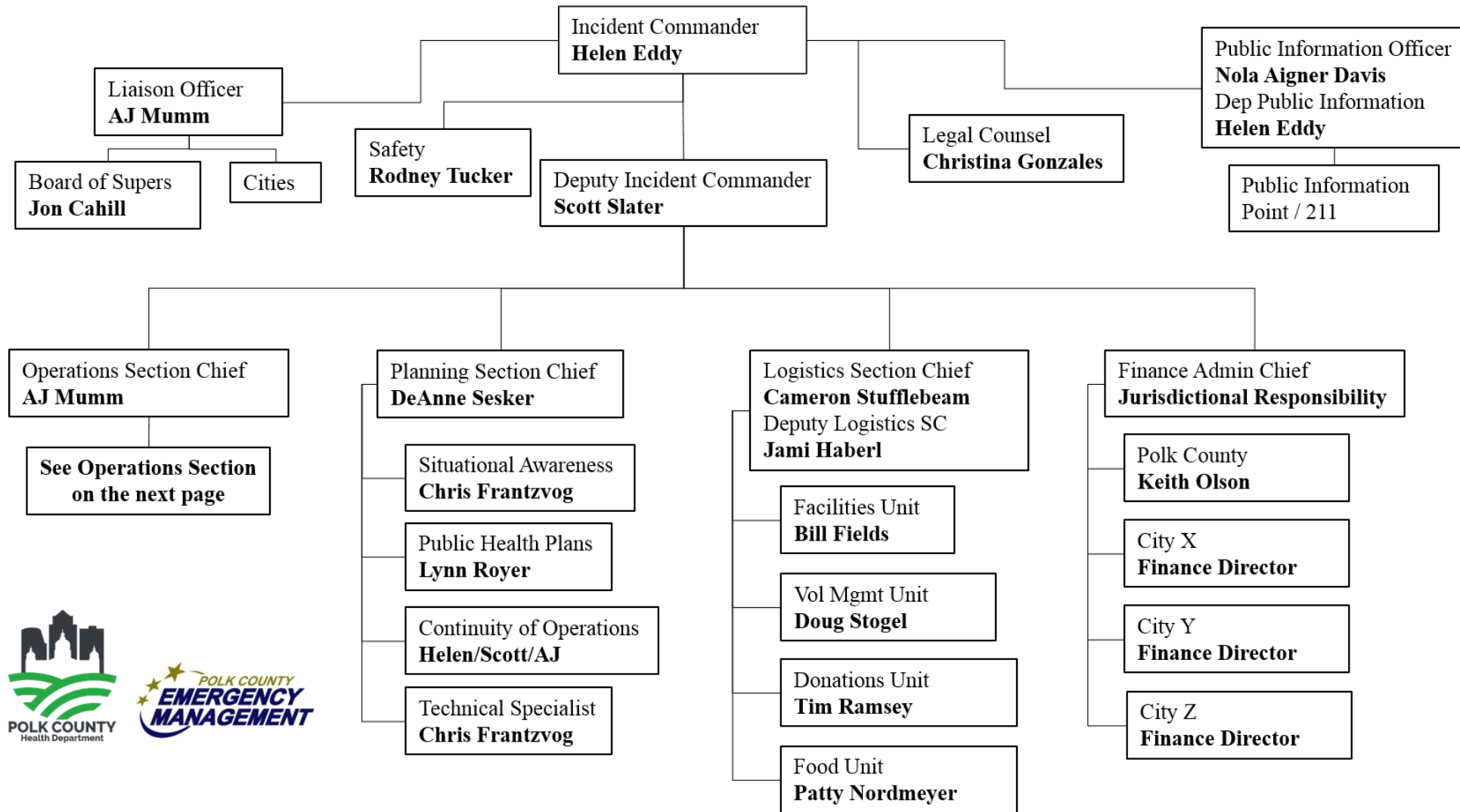


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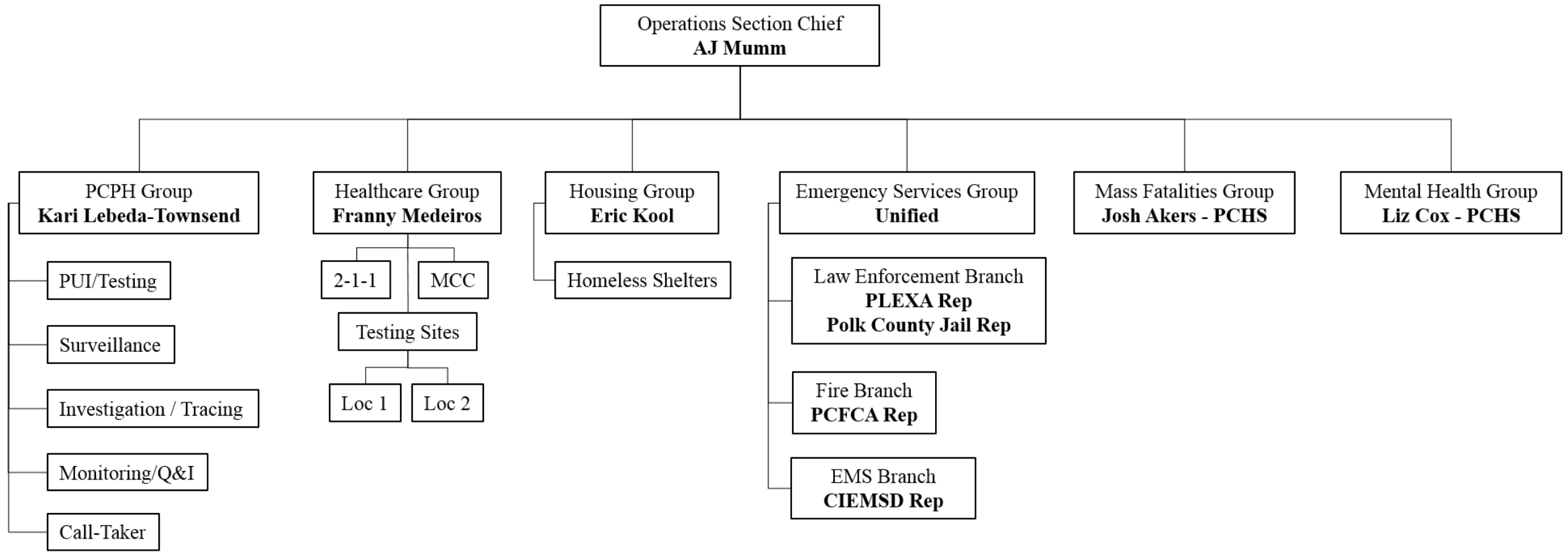
Helen Eddy – Incident Commander

Polk County Public Health Director

CORONAVIRUS COVID-19 ORGANIZATIONAL CHART (03/26/20)



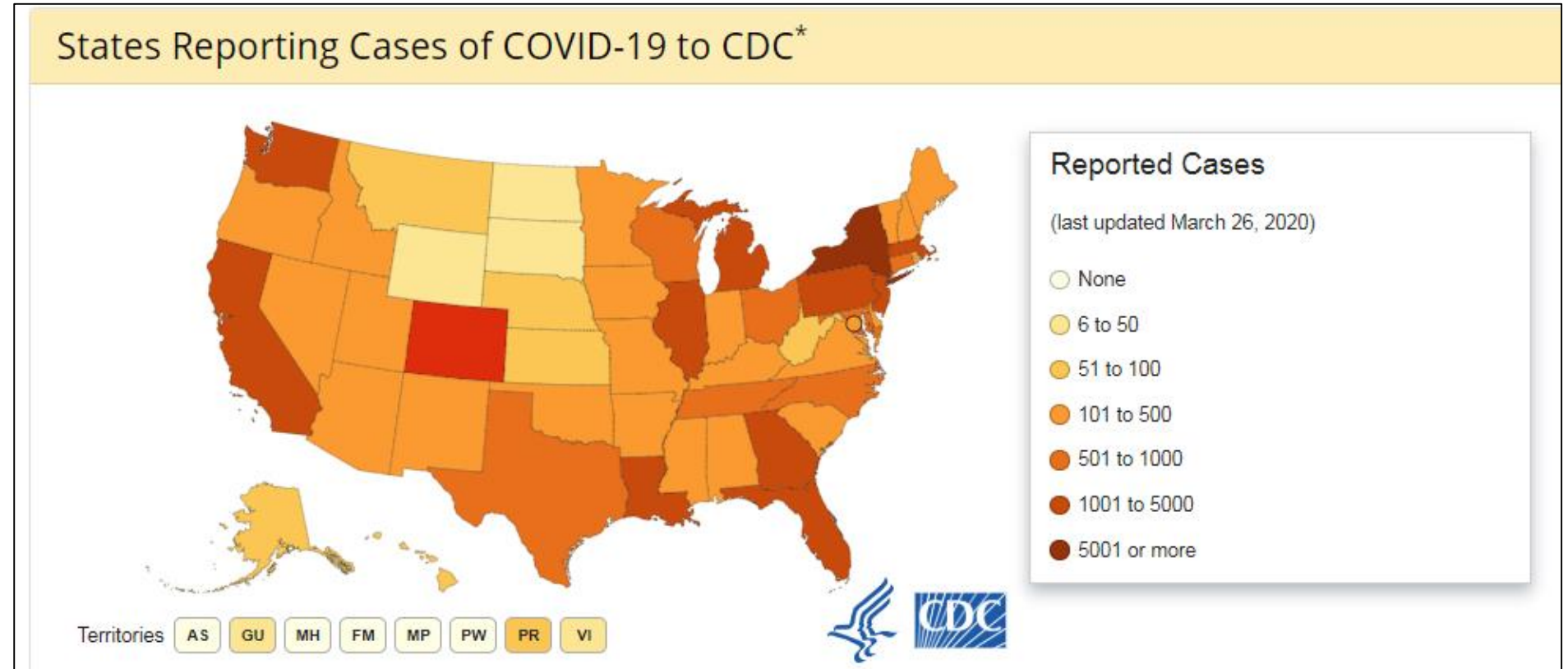
Operations Section



U.S.A. Situation Update

Centers for
Disease Control
and Prevention

3/27/20
0700 hrs.

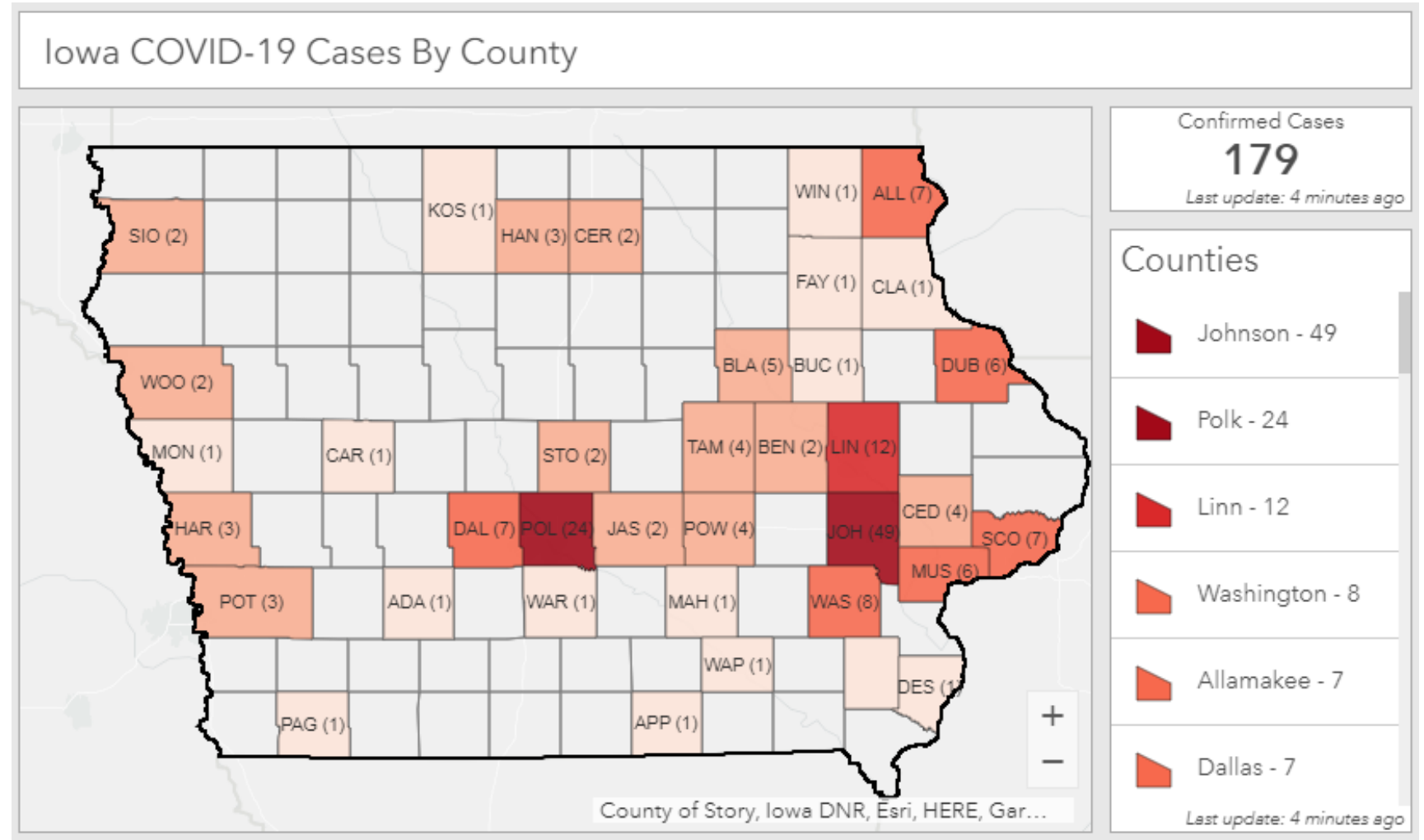


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Iowa Situation Update

Iowa Department
of Public Health

3/27/20
0700 hrs.

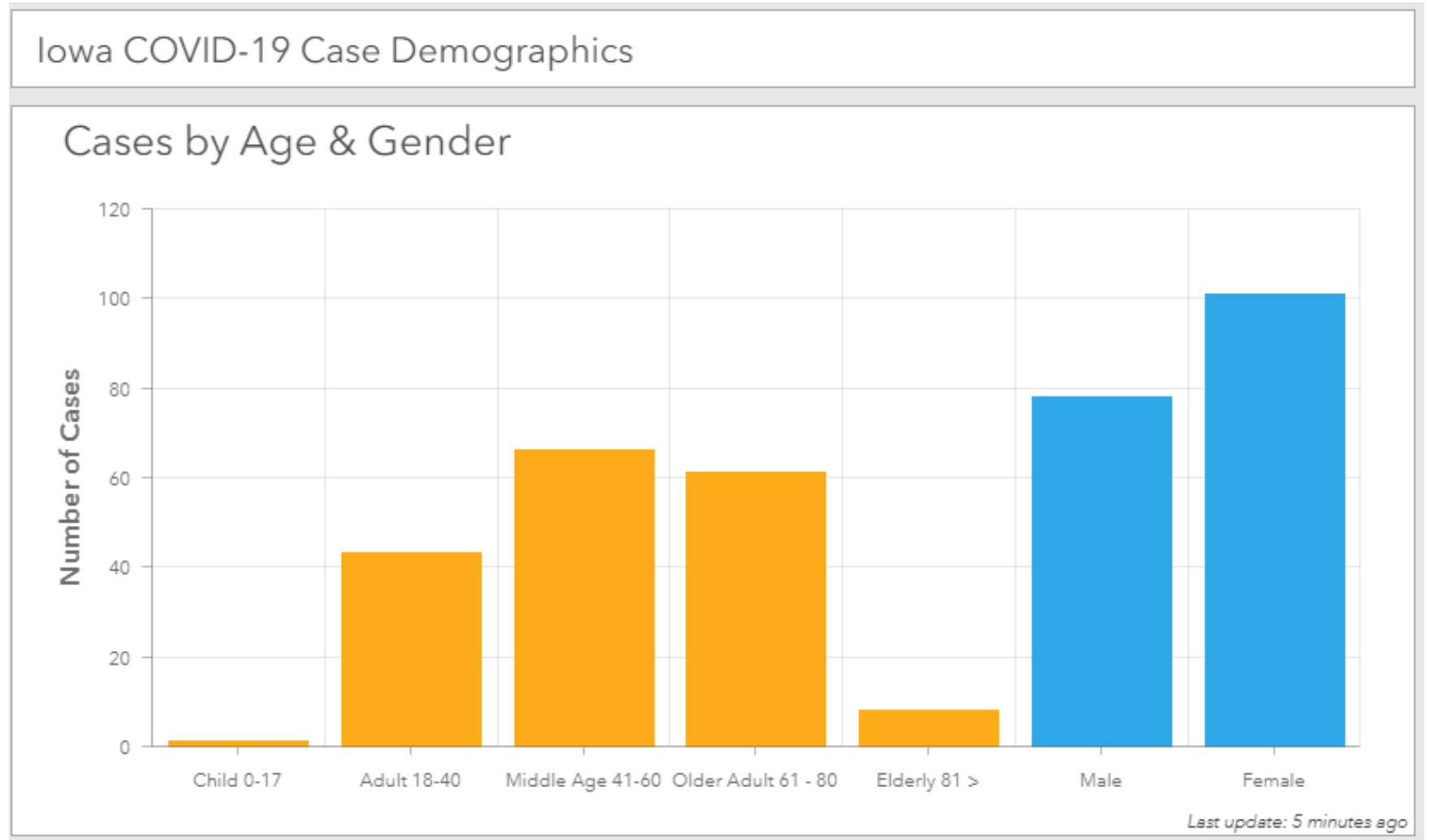


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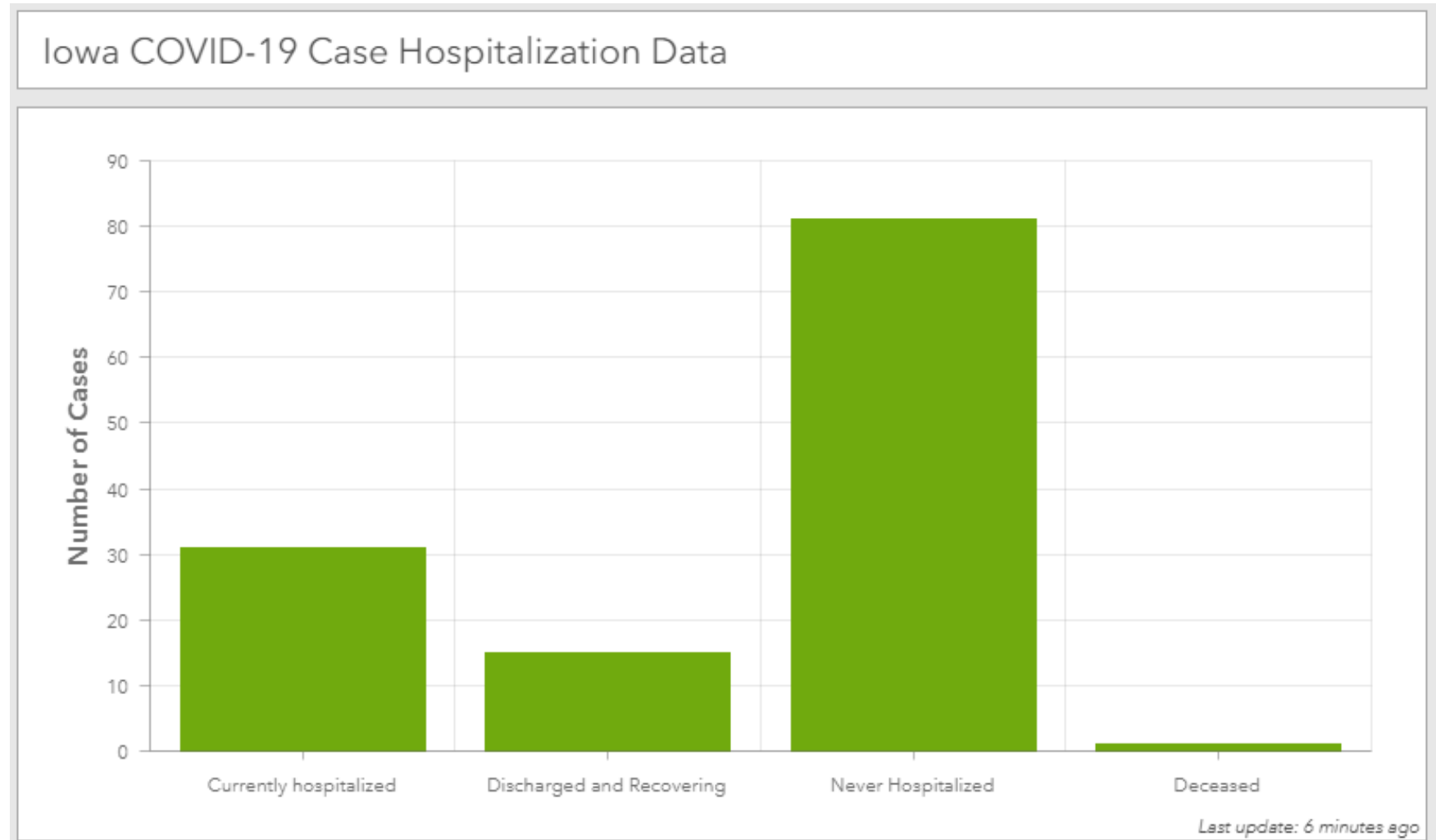
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Iowa Situation Update

(Previous day's snapshot for a 24-hour period. It is NOT cumulative)

Iowa Department
of Public Health

3/27/20
0700 hrs.



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Polk County Situation Update

Polk County
Health Dept.

3/27/20
1800 hrs.

Confirmed Previous Day: 20

Confirmed Today: 30

Other Relevant Information:

- 2 hospitalized

(Numbers are correct and adjusts the lag time between IDPH website updates)



PCPH Branch – Kari Lebeda-Townsend, PCHD



Recent Accomplishments

- Case management, contact tracing and follow-up continues
- New procedures for internal tracking system
- Finalized a process for REDCap data entry
- 4 lab confirmed cases have recovered *(as of 3/26/20 1600 Hrs)*
- Added an additional RN to staff

Today's Objectives

- Addressing school return questions and children on immunization provisional waivers
- Locations and approaches to increase CD team staff capacity
- Quarantine guidance from IDPH

Medical Coord Ctr (MCC) Branch – Franny Medeiros, PCHD



Recent Accomplishments

- Clarification from state on regional plan process
- Town Hall finished
- Dashboard for ED, bed census, critical capability in test phase. Will go live in next days.

Today's Objectives

- Complete hospital surge plans for each location
- Review and update mutual aid for local hospitals
- Collaborate with IANG LNO on regional plans within Service Area 1
- Continue PPE discussion to come to a hospital system agreement

Mental Health Branch – Liz Cox, Polk County Health Services



Recent Accomplishments

- Working on respite services for parents of kids with special needs
- Working on identifying hotline for medical staff & emergency responders to support their own mental health
- Launched social media and resource tool kit for mental health

Today's Objectives

- Continue production of PSAs
- Continue to work on staffing 211
- Continue equipping consumers with phones for telehealth services
- Continue connecting with volunteers with home-bound people

Mass Fatalities Branch – Josh Akers, PCME Office



Recent Accomplishments

- Reached out local funeral homes to exchange information about COVID
- Spoke with Iowa Office of the State Medical Examiner (IOSME)

Today's Objectives

- Continue to work with local funeral homes
- Discuss National Guard plans with IOSME

Housing Branch – Eric Kool, Polk County Comm, Family, Youth Services



Recent Accomplishments

- Resolved garbage questions
- Built up shelter supplies
- Process to communicate unauthorized release from the isolation shelter to other shelters

Today's Objectives

- Finish contracts with security, custodial and laundry and meals
- Install washer and dryer
- Connect with PSAPs to answer questions
- Continue to interview and hire staff
- Identify resident entertainment options

Emergency Services Branch – Common Objectives



Recent Accomplishments

- Housing for emergency services needs identified/prioritized
- Determined existing childcare providers will meet the needs for responders

Today's Objectives

- Determine if protocols for responder shelter are in place and prepare them for remaining locations

Law Enforcement Group – PLEXA



Recent Accomplishments

- A spreadsheet was developed for mutual aid during staff shortages

Today's Objectives

- At the noon meeting, remind agencies of the supply ordering process via the app from Polk County EMA
- Invite all PSAPs to be added to the noon LE and 4pm EMS/Fire
- Discuss with PSAPs the spreadsheet and communications during mutual aid responses

EMS Group – CIEMSD



Recent Accomplishments

- Confirmed process for exposure reporting for EMS providers/HC workers
- Updated process guidelines for PPE
- HIPAA clarifications posted to website
- MCC consensus on metered dose inhalers
- Confirmed the logistics app is working

Today's Objectives

- Protocol 36 pandemic protocol for EMD
- Treat/release protocol for EMS providers

Fire Service Group – PCFCA



Recent Accomplishments

- Childcare DHS website for essential workforce map should be used
- Alternative housing has been determined

Today's Objectives

- Clarification is needed amongst Fire, EMS, and Law what the intent and scope of the “Alternate Housing” plan is
- Confirm additional locations for alternative housing and other logistics (i.e., food service) and mirror primary agreements

Operations Section Chief – A.J. Mumm, Polk Co EMA



Recent Accomplishments

- Coordinated future receipt of additional planning team members to expand MCC to Regional-MCC with help from IDPH and Iowa National Guard
- Distribution of COVID-19 Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to all partners
- Unification of LE, Fire and EMS strategy on Alternative Housing

Today's Objectives

- Integrate PSAP (911 Call Centers) representatives into EOC
- Provide working space and draft coordination methods for R-MCC
- Receive update on FEMA pre-authorization of non-congregate sheltering
- Coordinate with Emergency Services Branch to develop written activation procedures for all alternative housing locations

Logistics Section Chief – Cameron Stufflebeam, Polk Co EMA



Recent Accomplishments

- Application for ordering PPD is working
- Contact w/LTHC oversight and outreach
- Orders and donations process vetting/refinement
- Responder alternative housing logistics support

Today's Objectives

- Catch-up with resource requests
- Volunteer management
- Request process for other items than PPE
- Establish an email account for Logistics

Logistics Section – Dutch Geisinger, Safeguard Iowa



Recent Accomplishments

- Assisted in reaching out to LTC facilities for PPE needs
- Added to Q&A on safeguardiowa.org
- Monitoring federal trends through FEMA CIKR and CISA calls
- Working with OSHA and DOL to answer questions for private sector

Today's Objectives

- Addressing concerns from private sector

Logistics Section – Volunteer Mgmt Unit – Doug Stogel, Polk County CFYS



Recent Accomplishments

- Alignment with United Way to support volunteer management

Today's Objectives

- County employees to be used as volunteers

Logistics – Food Unit – Patty Nordmeyer



- Sign-up at the front desk by 10:00
- Use provided, disposable utensils – do not share
- Food schedule
 - Friday – Donation from **Catch Des Moines** – El Bait Shop
 - Monday – Donation from **Choice Creative Solutions**
 - Tuesday – The Library
 - Wednesday – In the Bag

Planning Section Chief – DeAnne Sesker, Polk Co EMA



Recent Accomplishments

- Implementation of the new daily information collection process

Today's Objectives

- Improve daily process to collect information from Sections and Branches

Finance Section – Keith Olson, Polk County Auditor's Office and Scott Slater, Polk County Public Health



Recent Accomplishments

- COVID-19 Crisis Response Supplemental Funding contract from IDPH on BOS 4/7/2020 agenda

Today's Objectives

- Review funding parameters
- Work with staff to identify needs and appropriate expenditures

Public Information – Nola Aigner Davis, Polk Co Health Dept



Recent Accomplishments

- Hosted first Town Hall
- Working with JIC to answer media requests
- Created telehealth script for video
- Worked on video content for scam videos

Today's Objectives

- Working on messaging for businesses
- New video for YouTube/Media for next week
- Working with refugee/immigrant population
- Updating website for up-to-date info

Priorities and Key Initiatives - PSC



High Priorities

- Homeless shelter
- Testing
- Law Enforcement
- Rumor control
- Resource management
- Alternative housing
- Volunteer Mgmt
- Surge capacity

Medium Priorities

- Critical infrastructure
- Childcare
- SBA/Presidential Dec
- Food pantries (monitoring)
- Iowa Legal Aid

Emerging/Horizon

- Ethics
- Mass fatality planning
- Recovery planning

Safety Officer – Polk County Risk Management



Safety Top 5

1. Wash your hands / use sanitizer frequently
2. Take your temp – ≤ 100.4
3. Sleep
4. Monitor stress
5. Drink water / healthy foods

Hazardous Weather Outlook

Friday

- Chance for light rain today

Friday – Saturday

- Thunderstorm chances increase late today into Saturday morning. A few strong to severe storms are possible. Wind and hail will be the primary threats.
- Gusty winds likely Saturday. Winds on Sunday will be similar to Saturday.

SPOTTER ACTIVATION STATEMENT

- Spotter Activation is not expected

Policy Group – Supervisor Matt McCoy, Polk Co BOS



1. Reviewing stimulus package and will be pushing out messaging
2. BOS approved \$10K for PSAs for mental health messaging
3. Master agreement with Hilton for Polk County employees who may be exposed
4. Authorized to set up remote notary services
5. Alternative election location and staff planning

Meeting Schedule



*Daily standing meetings

Date	Time	Topic	Location
3/27	0800	Daily Briefing*	C-11
	1200	Shelters*	Conference call
	1200	Law Enforcement*	C-14 and Conference Call
	1400	Chief Medical Officers*	C-11
	1430	Governor's Press Conference*	--
	1600	EMS*	C-13 and Zoom

Next Operational Period Briefing/Stakeholders Briefing

Date	Time	Topic	Location
3/31	1030	Weekly Stakeholders Briefing	C-11 and Zoom

Q&A



Closing Comments

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