Health Officer Report

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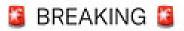




WHO Emergency Committee:

- COVID-19 is not unusual and unexpected
- Cross-border transmission can't (and won't) be stopped
- COVID-19 does not require a coordinated international response



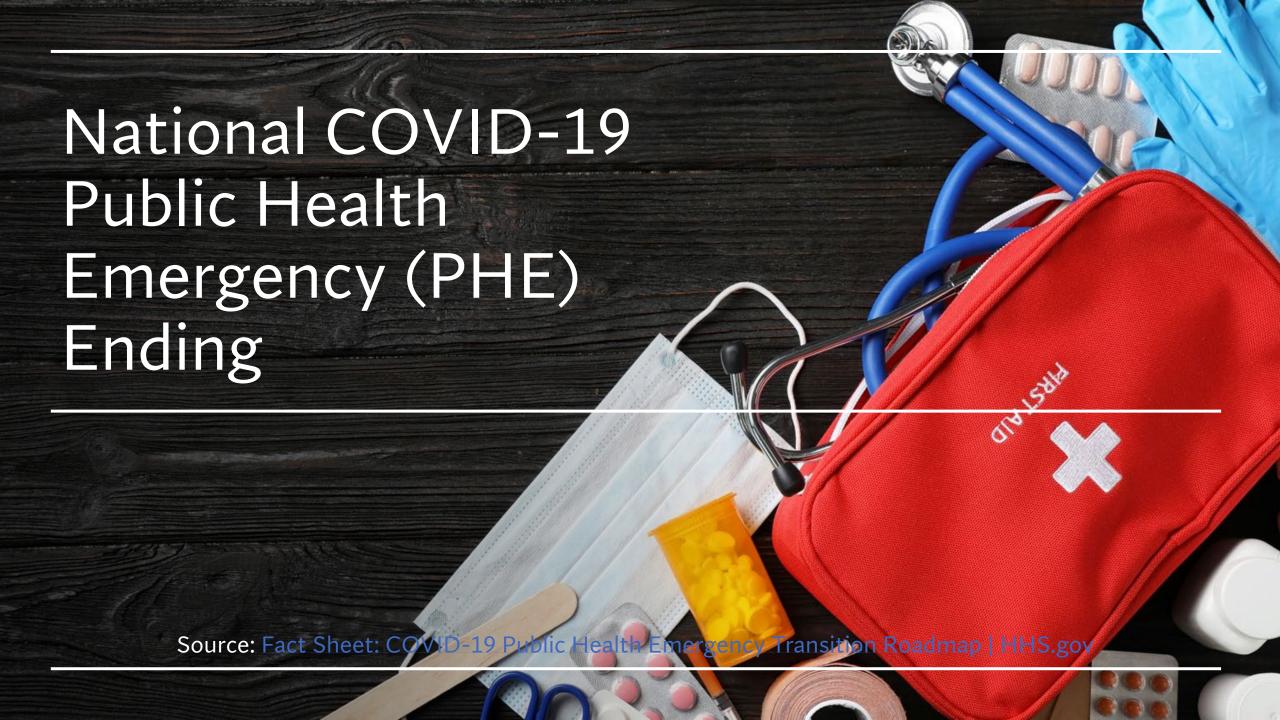


"Yesterday, the Emergency
Committee met for the 15th time and
recommended to me that I declare an
end to the public health emergency of
international concern. I have
accepted that advice"-@DrTedros
#COVID19



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Department of Health and Human Services plans for the federal PHE for COVID-19 to expire May 11, 2023

PHE Expiring



COVID-19 response remains a public health priority



Over past 2 years, largest vaccination program in U.S. history was successfully implemented

270 million Americans with at least 1 COVID-19 vaccine

Since Omicron Surge 1/22:

- Daily COVID-19 cases down 92%
- COVID-19 deaths have declined > 80%
- New COVID-19 hospitalizations down 80%

*U.S. government plans to work closely with partners, like state and local public health agencies, to ensure safe transition





What Will NOT Be Affected:

Not Affected:

Access to COVID-19 vaccinations and certain treatments (Paxlovid)

FDA's EUAs for COVID-19 products (tests, vaccines, treatments)

Major Medicare and Medicaid telehealth flexibilities

State eligibility redeterminations for Medicaid

Access to buprenorphine in Opioid Treatment Programs

Access to expanded methadone take-home tests

Monitoring



Wastewater and genomic surveillance

Tracks variants and transmission



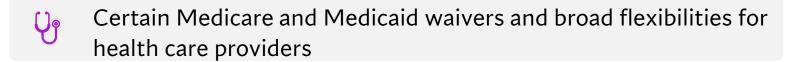
Emergency room data

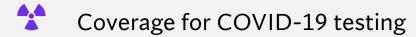
Good early indicator of state-level transmission



What Will Be Affected:

Affected:





- Change in reporting of COVID-19 lab results and immunization data to CDC
- Certain FDA COVID-19-related guidance documents will end or be temporarily extended
- FDA's ability to detect early shortages of critical devices related to COVID-19 will be more limited
- Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness (PREP) Act liability protections
 - Ability of health care providers to dispense controlled substances via telemedicine; anticipated allowances to extend flexibilities

Monitoring



Hospitalization data same through April 2024 (reporting frequency changing)

- Tracks severe disease

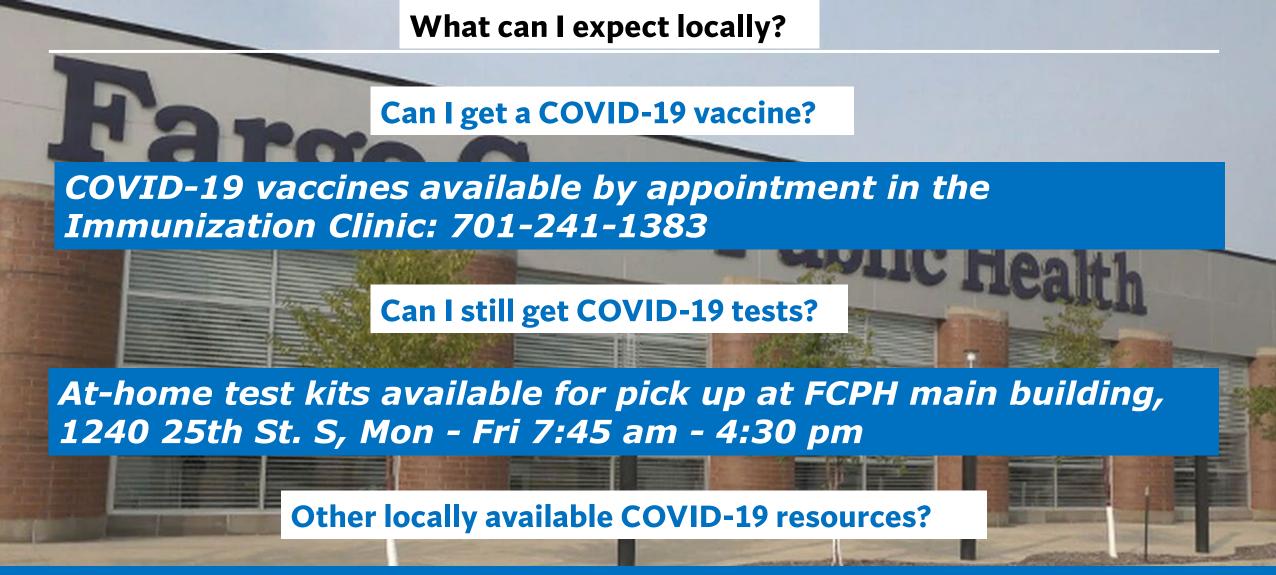
Death data remains (data source changing)

Test positivity rates no longer national, state, or county-wide and negative tests not reported

- Early metric of transmission

Cases dropped

Vaccination coverage - spotty, frequency of updates changing



Yes! Visit our website: The City of Fargo - COVID-19: Local Resources (fargond.gov) to learn about medical, mental and behavioral health, food assistance, for-profit and non-profit business resources, as well as translated resources