

Weekly Update as of 5:00pm **Monday, October 12, 2020**

Messages of the week – Please continue to encourage families to call the COVID scheduling center at **513-517-2670**, 2-3 hours **after** their COVID order has been placed. Due to unpredictable high-call volumes, the Scheduling Center is **not** uniformly making outbound calls to families.

UPDATES:

Testing - The **testing schedule** for the week of Oct 12th – Oct 18th can be found [HERE](#).



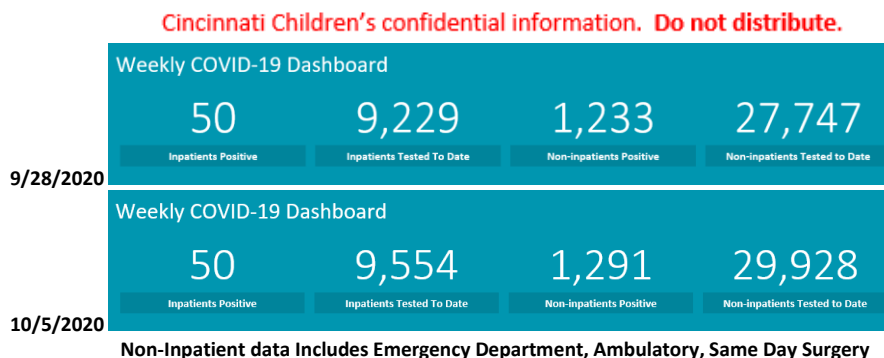
CCHMC testing capacity is forecasted as **green** (supplies are adequate, and patients are being scheduled in 1-2 days).

The COVID Scheduling Center will be **OPEN on Saturday from 9a-1p** through the month of October to facilitate testing appointments.

Do you have patients who attend a Cincinnati Public School (CPS)? If so, you should be aware that CPS is testing students when needed. As a PCP, you may receive communication of any positive test results from CPS staff.

Regional & State data summary from Andrew Beck, MD – We continue to see an increase in the daily case incidence over the last week. This aligns with an effective reproductive ratio, a measure of disease transmission, which has been above 1 for the county, region, and state for more than a week. In parallel, we are seeing evidence of a rise in COVID-19 positive patients in hospital and ICU beds. The percentage of tests that return positive has remained roughly stable. **Summary** – we must remain vigilant, wearing masks, adhering to distancing guidelines, washing hands, and getting influenza vaccines.

A **regional** view of COVID cases called ‘*The Health Collaborative Situational Dashboard*’ can be found [HERE](#). **Age-specific data (percent positive by age) can be found on slide 15.**



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