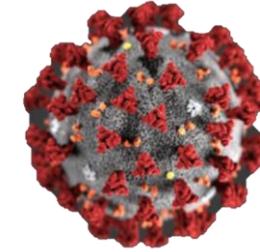


# New Hampshire Coronavirus Disease 2019 Weekly Call for School Partners September 30, 2020



## Agenda:

Elizabeth Talbot, Dr. Beth Daly, Lindsay Pierce, M.Ed. and Sheryl Nielsen, M.Ed.

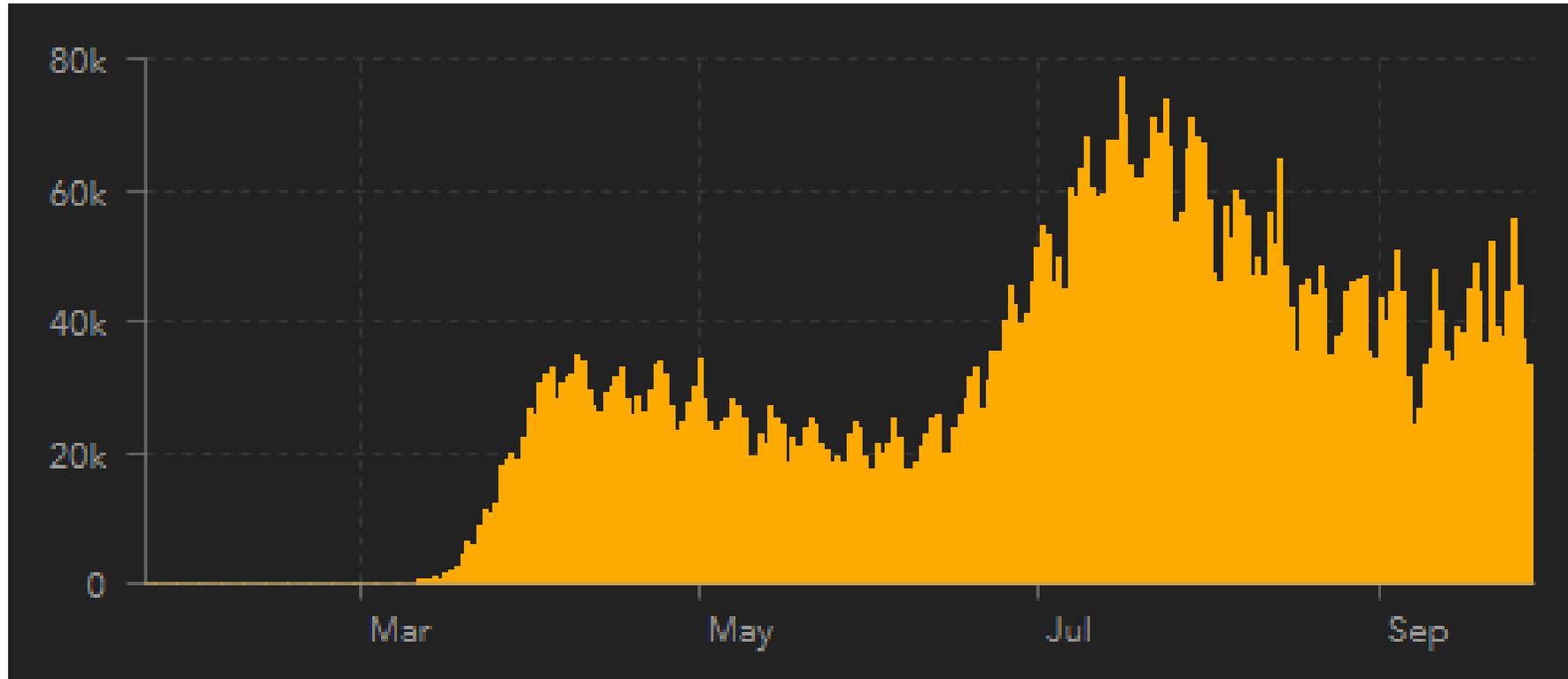
- Q&A – To ask a question, use the Q&A feature in Zoom
  - Hover over bottom of Zoom screen to find “Q&A”
  - This is a public call, be careful about what you share (no confidential/sensitive information)
  - Ask general questions, individual consultation should be directed to the Bureau of Infectious Disease Control at 603-271-4496 (ask for a public health staff members)

# Situation Update

- *33.5 million cases globally*
- *7.2 million in U.S.*
- *8,233 cases in New Hampshire*
  
- **Stay at Home ended Monday June 15<sup>th</sup>**
  - *Safer at Home*
- **State of Emergency remains in effect**
- **Re-opening: <https://www.covidguidance.nh.gov/>**

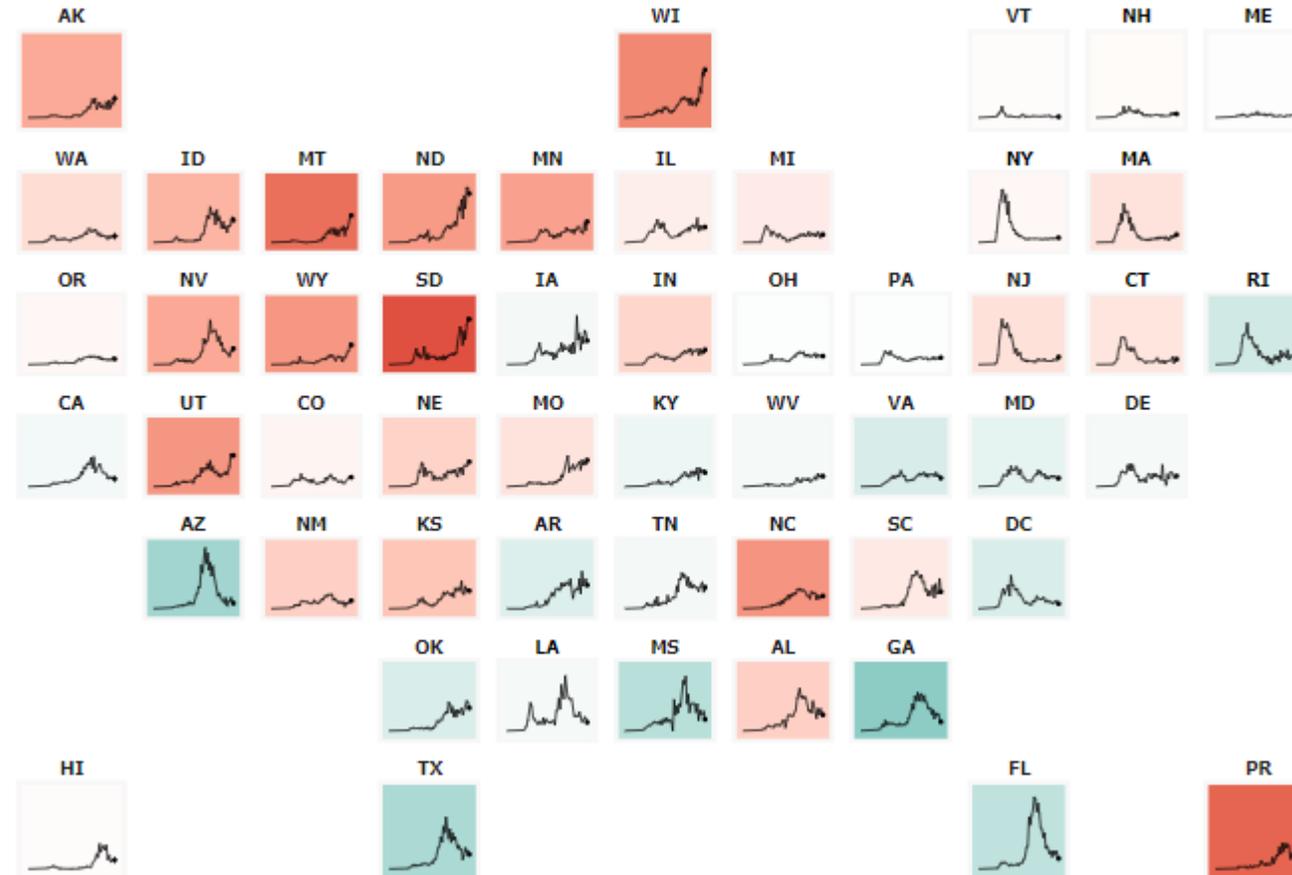
# U.S. Epidemic Curve

*(new cases per day)*

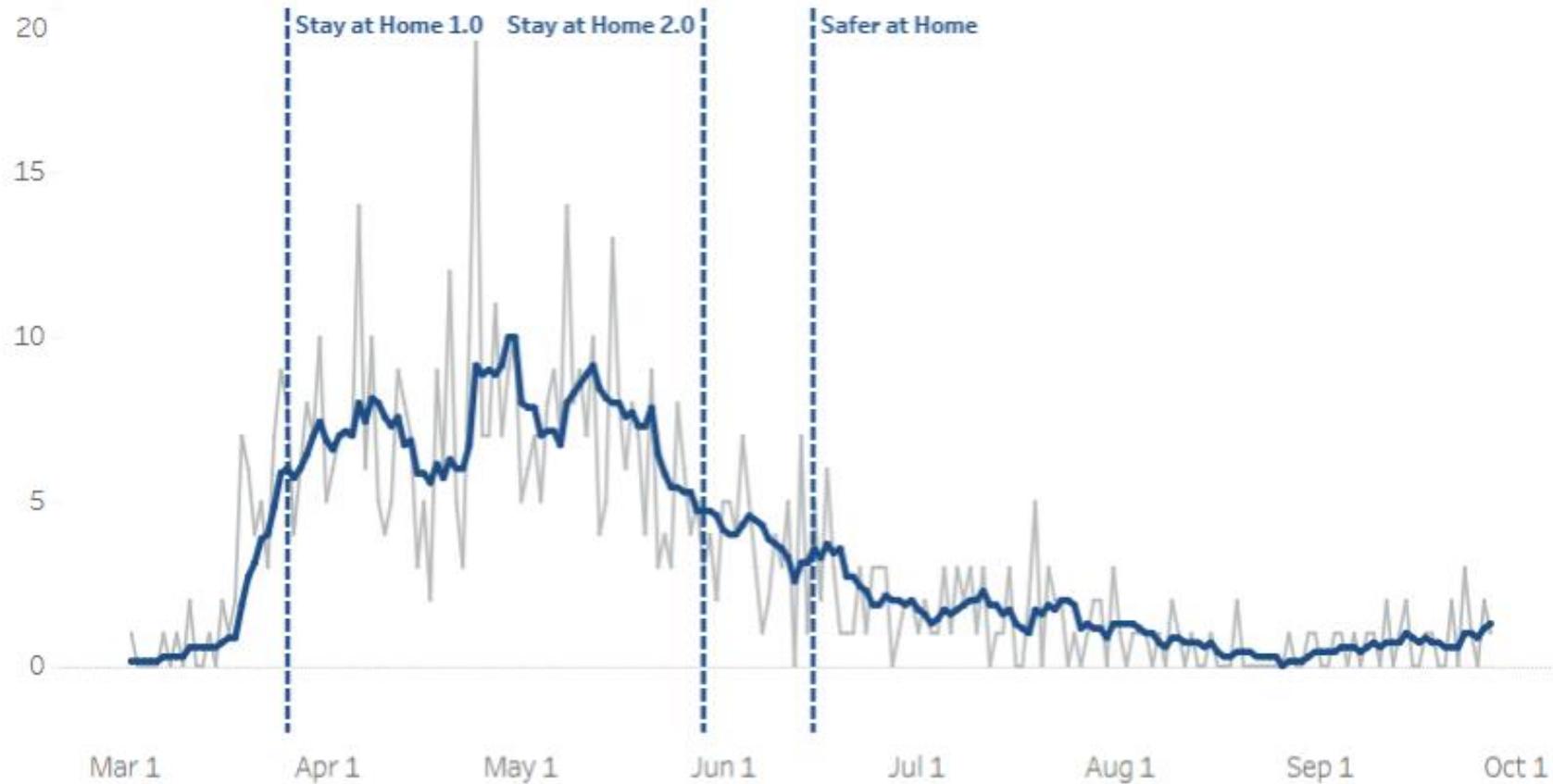


# Flattening the Curve – Daily New Cases per 100,000 over last two weeks

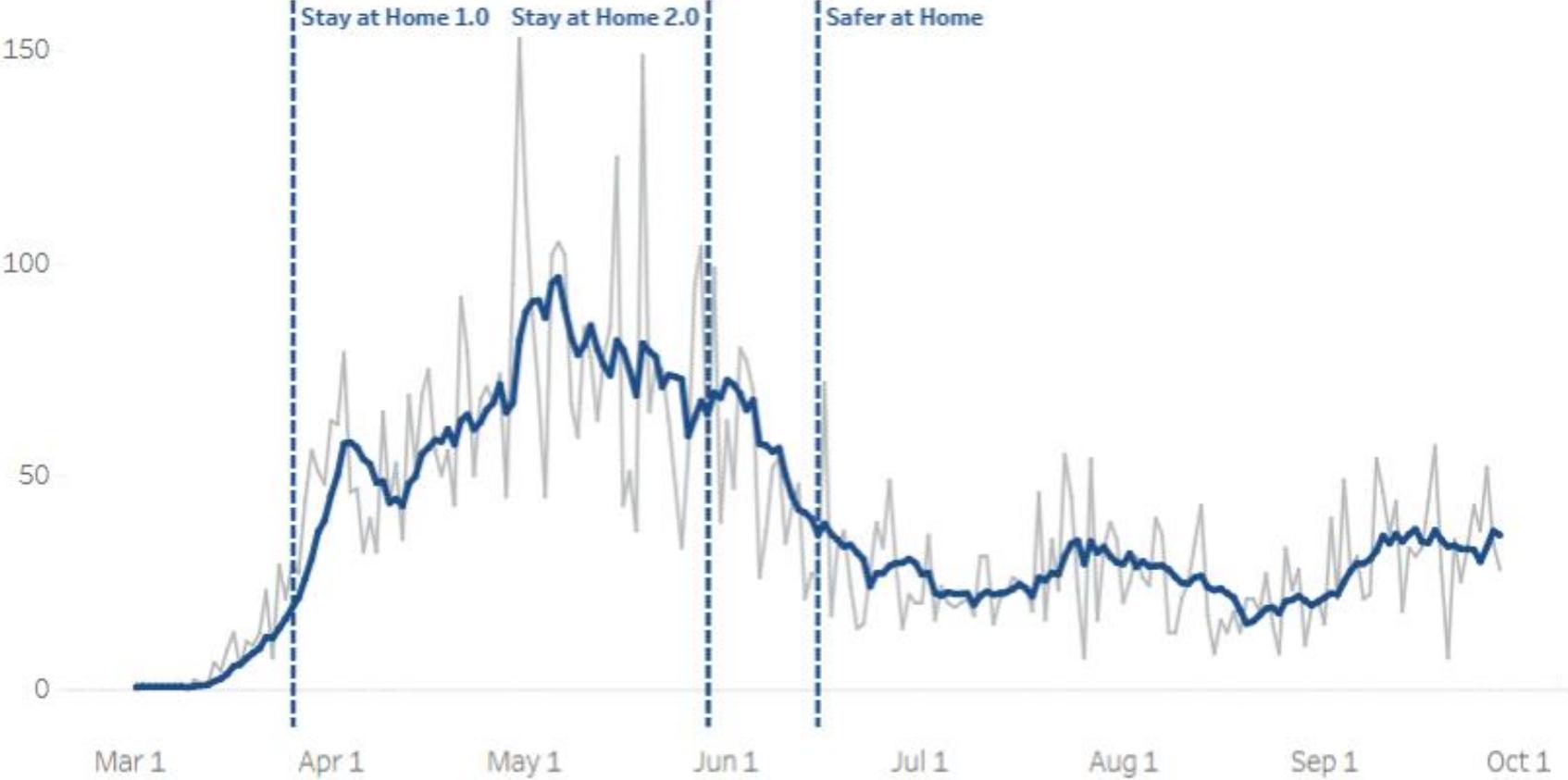
Daily New Cases per 100k people. Data shown from 1/22/20 to 9/28/20.



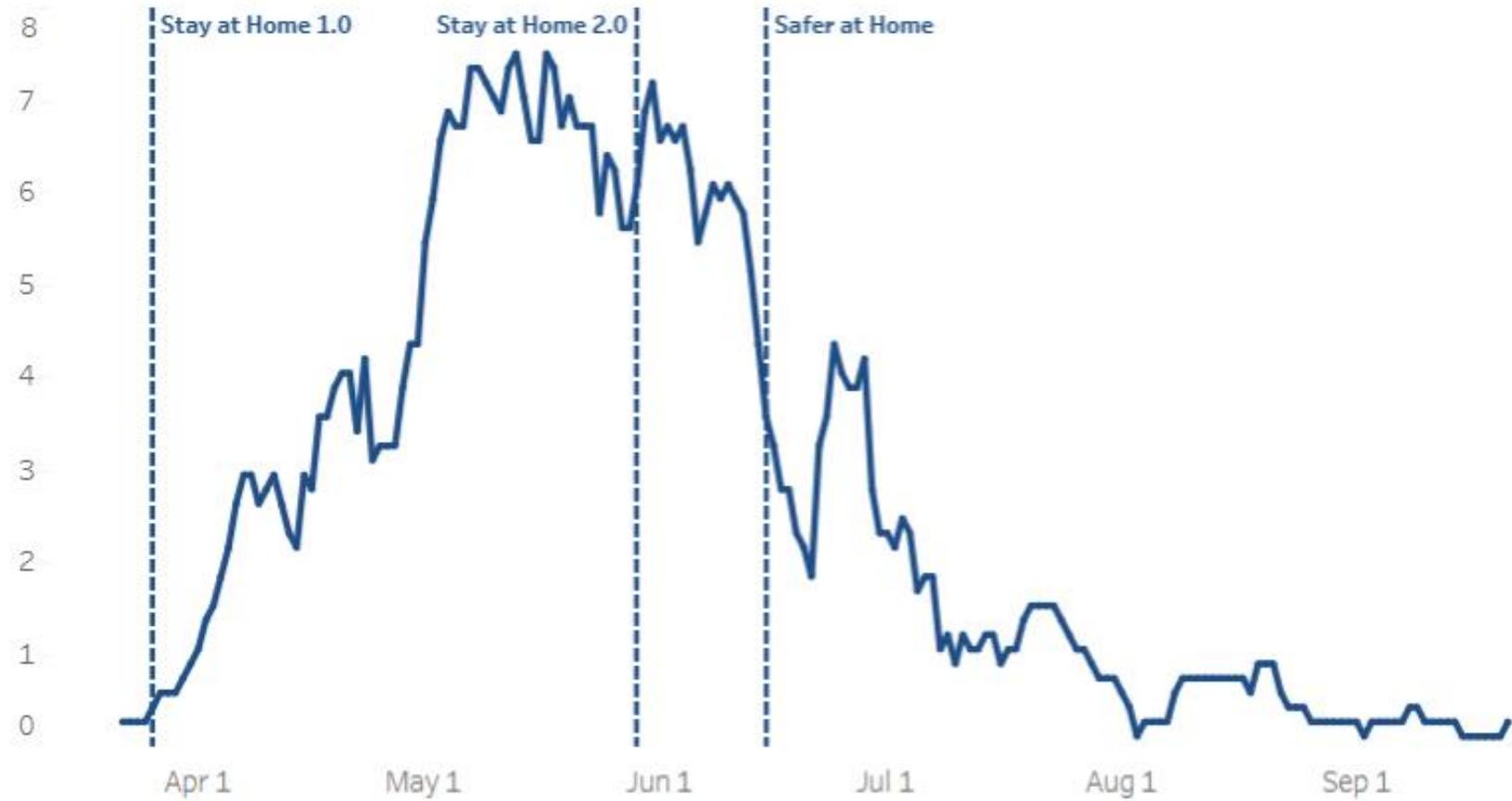
# NH New Hospitalizations by Day



# NH New Cases by Day



# NH New Deaths by Week



# Community Level Metrics

## STATEWIDE

Level of Transmission	New Cases per 100k over 14 days	New Hosp per 100k over 14 days	7-Day PCR Test Positivity Rate
<b>Minimal</b>	<b>35.9</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>1.0%</b>

## CITY OF MANCHESTER

Level of Transmission	New Cases per 100k over 14 days	New Hosp per 100k over 14 days	7-Day PCR Test Positivity Rate
<b>Moderate</b>	<b>60.9</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>1.6%</b>

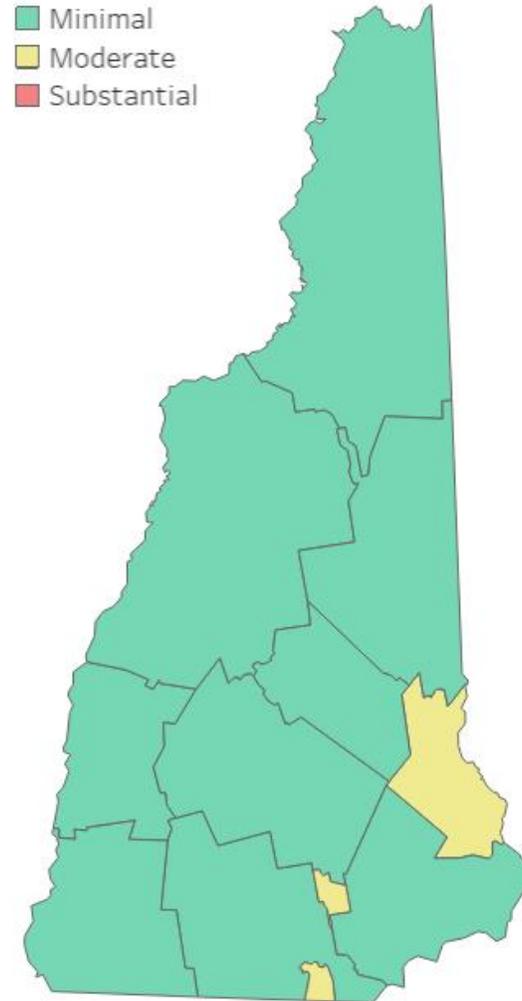
## CITY OF NASHUA

Level of Transmission	New Cases per 100k over 14 days	New Hosp per 100k over 14 days	7-Day PCR Test Positivity Rate
<b>Moderate</b>	<b>76.1</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>2.2%</b>

## STRAFFORD COUNTY

Level of Transmission	New Cases per 100k over 14 days	New Hosp per 100k over 14 days	7-Day PCR Test Positivity Rate
<b>Moderate</b>	<b>71.5</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>2.3%</b>

■ Minimal  
■ Moderate  
■ Substantial



Source: <https://www.nh.gov/covid19/dashboard/schools.htm#dash>

# New Resources on DHHS Website

- [Halloween Guidance](#)
- [COVID-19 Resident and Staff Sentinel Surveillance Program \(CRSSSP\) Revision September 23, 2020](#)
- [Educational FAQ](#)
- [NH DHHS Recommendations for Responding to COVID-19 in K-12 Schools](#)
- [COVID-19 School Toolkit](#)
- [You can now access the school dashboard from the schools page:](#)

## Schools

Information and resources for schools and educators, including posters and webinars.

### COVID-19 School Dashboard

#### Guidance and Recommendations

- NH DHHS: [Recommendations for Responding to COVID-19 in K-12 Schools](#) (September 28, 2020)
- NH DHHS: [Recommendations for Responding to COVID-19 at Residential Schools, Colleges and Universities](#) (August 27, 2020)
- NH DHHS: [Considerations for Transitioning Between School Instructional Models Based on Level of Community COVID-19 Transmission and Impact on Local Schools](#) (September 1, 2020)
- Department of Education: [New Hampshire Grades K-12 Back-To-School Guidance](#)
- Department of Education: [NH Post-Secondary Education Fall Planning Workgroup](#)
- Department of Education: [Guidance for Community Events](#)
- Department of Education: [Guidance for Remote Instruction](#)
- [CDC Guidance on School Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection](#)

Mental Health/  
Stress/Anxiety Support

Safer at Home

Get Tested

Have questions about  
COVID-19?

Call 2-1-1

# School Checklist- Responding to a Confirmed Case of COVID-19 (pg. 11)

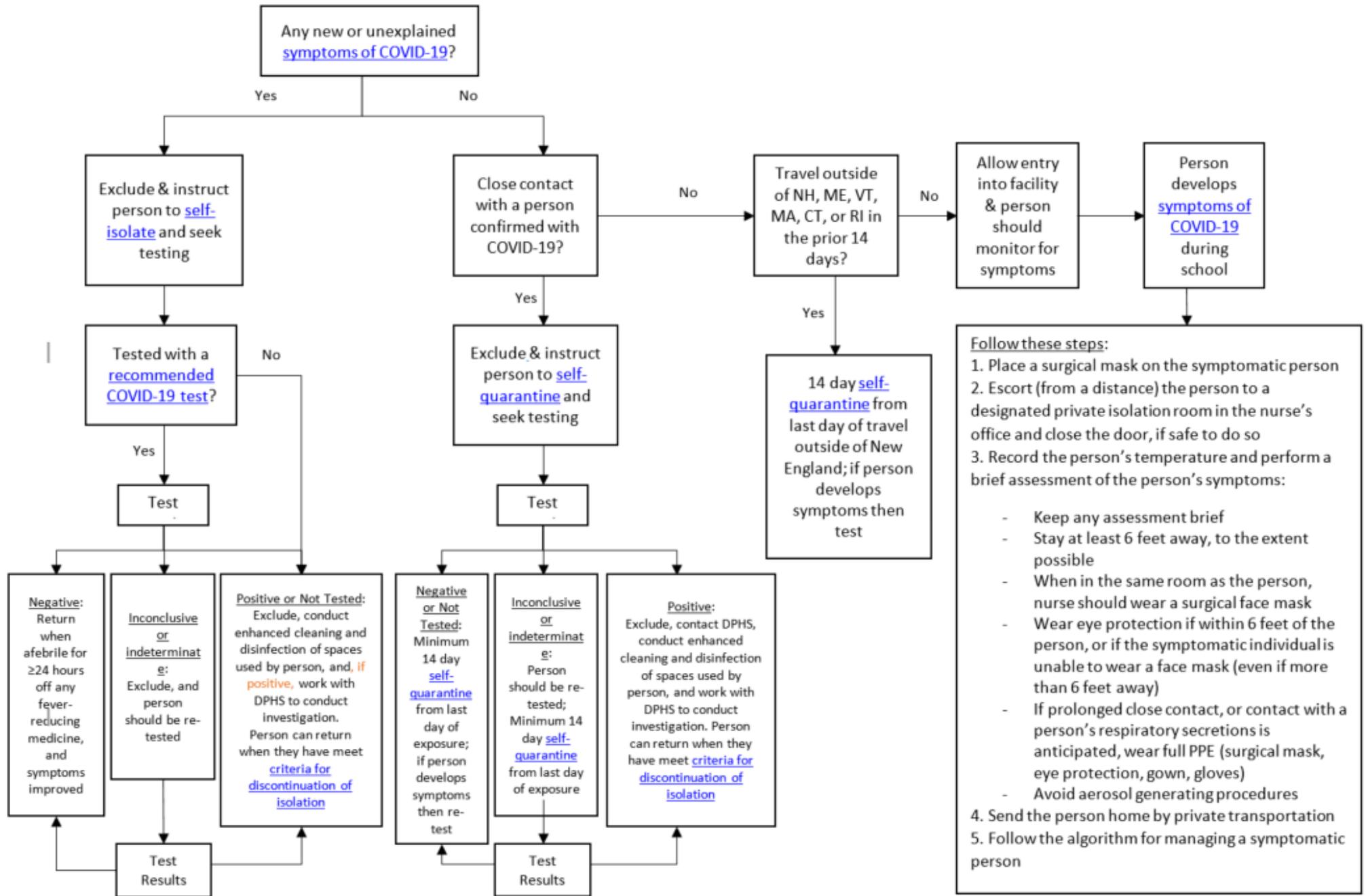
## Partner with DPHS to determine close contacts\* to the case

- DPHS: Interviews the patient
- School: may be asked to assist in identifying close contacts for whom the case is not familiar (peers in class, meetings, etc)

## Helpful items to have ready:

- Class, bus and athletic/club schedule for any case, including seating charts.
- Data: total number of students/staff in school, total number staff/students in each impacts classroom/area of the school
- Contact information (or contact information for parent/guidance) for case and any identified contacts
- \*within 6 feet for at least 10 cumulative minutes

# SCREENING ALGORITHM UPDATED 9/30/20



# COVID-19 Definitions for Schools (pg. 5)

CONFIRMED CASE of COVID-19	Anyone with <a href="#">confirmed laboratory evidence</a> : detection of SARS-CoV-2 RNA in a clinical specimen using molecular amplification detection tests
PROBABLE CASE of COVID-19	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meets <a href="#">clinical criteria</a> AND <a href="#">epidemiologic evidence</a> with no confirmatory laboratory testing (detection of SARS-CoV-2 RNA in a clinical specimen using molecular amplification detection tests).</li> </ol> <p>OR</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meets presumptive laboratory evidence (positive antigen test) for COVID-19 AND either <a href="#">clinical criteria</a> OR <a href="#">epidemiologic evidence</a>.</li> </ol> <p>OR</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meets vital records criteria with no confirmatory laboratory testing performed for COVID-19.</li> </ol>
SUSPECT CASE of COVID-19	Anyone with supportive laboratory evidence: Detection of specific antibody in serum, plasma, or whole blood
CLUSTER of COVID-19 in a SCHOOL	≥3 confirmed cases who are part of a related group of individuals (e.g., classroom) and who had the potential to transmit infection to each other through close contact
OUTBREAK of COVID-19 in a SCHOOL	≥3 clusters in the same school

☐ Management of Household Contacts (HHCs) of Persons with New and Unexplained Symptoms of COVID-19, Based on the Symptomatic Person’s COVID-19 Risk Factors and Testing Status: (pg. 11)

Risk Factor?*	Viral Testing Pending? †	Action:
Present	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Symptomatic person isolates pending test result.</li> <li>• HHCs quarantine pending test results.</li> </ul>
	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Symptomatic person must remain on isolation until they have met CDC’s criteria for <u>discontinuation of isolation</u>.</li> <li>• HHCs quarantine for 14 days from last day of exposure.</li> </ul>
Absent	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Symptomatic person isolates pending test result.</li> <li>• HHCs can remain in school/work as long as they remain asymptomatic, but if test is positive then quarantine.</li> </ul>
	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Symptomatic person must remain on isolation until they have met CDC’s criteria for <u>discontinuation of isolation</u>.</li> <li>• HHCs can remain in school/work as long as they remain asymptomatic.</li> </ul>

\* Risk Factors for COVID-19 exposure include close contact to a person with COVID-19, travel outside of the New England area, or other high-risk activities as identified by an employer or public health in the 14 days before symptom onset.

† Appropriate COVID-19 viral testing includes molecular- (i.e., PCR) or antigen-based tests (antigen tests must be conducted within an appropriate time frame after symptom onset, as specified in manufacturer instructions). Antibody tests are not appropriate for diagnosing active infection.