



# **NEEDHAM PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION**



## **Update on COVID-19 From the Town of Needham and Needham Public Health**

June 3, 2020 – The Town of Needham and Needham Public Health today provided the following update regarding COVID-19.

### **State DPH COVID-19 Numbers\*\*\***

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health is reporting that as of June 3, 2020 there are:

- 429 new cases today for a total of 101,592
- 8,613 cases in Norfolk County
- 68 new deaths today for a total of 7,152 deaths statewide
- 318 cases in Needham
- 56 coronavirus deaths in Needham to date (next report will be 6/8)
- Four public safety employees have had confirmed cases of COVID-19. All four have recovered.

\*\*\*State data now includes “confirmed” cases as well as “probable” cases. Because of this, there has been a significant increase in the number of statewide cases and deaths. In addition to its regular reporting on viral testing results, the state dashboard now includes data on the total number daily and cumulative COVID-19 antibody tests performed.

The Town’s daily report going forward will include the state’s “Newly Reported Cases” number and “Newly Reported Deaths” number, which include both confirmed and probable cases.

It’s important to remember that most people who are confirmed to have COVID-19 recover. More state data [here](#).

### **State Issues Guidance for Outdoor Recreation and Summer Sports**

Governor Baker today continued to roll out additional Phase 2 reopening guidance, including updated rules for adult and youth sports and summer leagues. On June 1, 2020, Governor Baker issued COVID-19 Order No. 35, clarifying the progression of the state’s phased workplace re-opening plan and authorizing certain re-opening preparations at Phase 2 workplaces. That order provides the following framework for amateur organized sports activities and programs during Phase 2: <https://www.mass.gov/doc/outdoor-adult-sports-supervised-youth-sports-leagues-summer-sports-camps/download>

### **Farmers Market Returns June 14<sup>th</sup> With COVID Safety Precautions**

The Needham Farmers Market returns Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. The market runs 12 pm to 4 pm and has taken numerous steps to protect the health and safety of vendors and the public. Everyone will be required to wear a face covering while at the market and pre-ordering is encouraged. Read more about what to expect before you shop: <https://homesharetours.com/needhamfarmersmarket-2/shopping-at-nfm-in-the-year-2020/>

### **More Picnic Tables Coming for Outdoor Dining in Needham**

The community has spoken and the picnic tables around town for takeout meals have been a huge success! The Town is adding three additional tables to Greene’s Field beginning Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. As a reminder, please bring your own sanitizer and dispose of your garbage in the receptacles. Feel free to bring your own tablecloths, corkscrews and other essentials to enjoy your picnic meal.

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