

## **Governor Press Conference – April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Joined by:

Dr. Nate Smith, MD, MPH - Secretary, Department of Health

Col. William J. Bryant, Director – Arkansas State Police

Mayor Frank Scott Jr. – Mayor of Little Rock

### **Governor Asa Hutchinson**

74 hospitalized

946 COVID-19 cases today (April 7th)

- 875 yesterday (April 6th)
- 71 more cases from yesterday (April 6th)
- 2 more counties impacted

Over 24 hours - 1400 tests completed (largest number of tests in 24-hour period)

Hospitalizations per 100K = 2.5

### **Dr. Nate Smith, MD, MPH - Secretary, Department of Health**

946 cases

- 71 increase
- 21 aged 18 or younger
- 237 aged 65+

134 healthcare workers

- 12 more than yesterday (April 6th)
- 16 physicians
- 41 nurses
- 19 CNAs

61 nursing home residents 2 more than yesterday (April 6th)

74 currently hospitalized same as yesterday (April 6th)

- 148 ever hospitalized
- 26 currently on vent 4 more than yesterday (April 6th)
- 18 deaths 2 more than yesterday (April 6th)
- 152 have recovered - 50 more than yesterday (April 6th)

24 inmates in Forrest City and 5 staff

- CDC team to arrive this evening

*\*Executive order amended to allow mayors to issue their own executive orders*

**Mayor Frank Scott Jr. – Mayor of Little Rock**

Remarks on rebuilding delivered

**Col. William J. Bryant, Director – Arkansas State Police**

Voluntary compliance has been mostly working.

- Some citizens have blatantly disregarded directives and ASP is prepared to enforce the law.
- Offered assistance to city and county agencies.
- Some of the violations seen also fall under some criminal penalties.