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## LACKAWANNA COUNTY HERITAGE FAIR BOARD ANNOUNCES POSTPONEMENT OF 2020 FAIR

The Lackawanna County Heritage Fair Board has postponed the 2020 Heritage Fair from the scheduled opening date of May 27, 2020 to an undetermined date later this year. The Board's decision followed several weeks of evaluation and internal discussion of the best available data on the progression of the COVID-19 contagion in NEPA, including a meeting with Dr. Shubhra Shetty. Dr. Shetty is Regional Associate Dean, North Campus, at the Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine in Scranton, and Medical Director of the Ryan White Infectious Disease Clinic at the Wright Center for Community Health in Scranton. She is an infectious disease consultant in two area hospitals.

The Board's decision was guided by current orders from Governor Wolf which suspended non-life sustaining business activity until further notice and requires sheltering at home until April 30, 2020; by the rate of ongoing active infections in the NEPA region; and by the need to update and implement enhanced disease prevention protocols for the Fair.

The Board will choose a new date for the 2020 Fair following the release of Governor Wolf's plan for lifting social distancing limits and reopening businesses.

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