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The coming days may be bad as many projections show an escalation in the number of confirmed cases of the novel virus in the city of hills, the Bronx and Westchester County

This May Be A Very Sad And Tough Week In Yonkers, But There Is Hope

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Yonkers residents are already reeling from County Executive George Latimer reporting Saturday that there are 1,160 confirmed coronavirus cases in the city, especial since it was up from 969 cases the day before.

However, New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo has been suggesting that data suggests the number of confirmed cases will flatten out in a week to ten days.

On Sunday Gov. Andrew Cuomo announced that New York state has seen its first drop in daily coronavirus deaths.

Andrew Cuomo also said New York also experienced a slight drop in intensive care admissions and the number of patients who need breathing tubes inserted.

However, no one is sure if this slight drop in the number of deaths

indicates that the New York State, Westchester County or Yonkers is at an apex of coronavirus fatalities.

This could simply be a brief plateau before the cases rise again.

Yonkers City Hall insiders are still predicting that we're going to continue to see an escalation and they say that social distancing measures, are even more necessary to decreasing the number of new cases in the city of hills.

It is going to be very disturbing to some, that's what's going to happen till rate of new cases flattens out.

Yonkersites need to continue to do the physical separation, because we gotta get through this coming week.

Hospital workers tell the Yonkers Newswire that the Westchester County death toll from COVID-19, the disease caused by coronavirus, was almost certainly higher than reported, due to a lack of testing as well as some reporting errors.

The good news is that the number of beds at Yonkers Hospitals doesn't really seem to matter anymore, there are currently more than enough beds in place and patients are not being stacked up in the hallways.

But, Yonkers patients could potentially be taken from a hospital that reaches capacity to a hospital

that still has room, but that hospital may not be in their community,

Hopefully it would not be at Westchester's temporary hospital at the county center

But the remaining troubling issue is still the ventilators and then there is the worry the staff on the front lines.

What is hard for some members of Yonkers society to grasp is that many people may have the virus but not experience any symptoms, while still being able to infect others.

Some Yonkers residents have argued in favor of implementing a city lock down.

Social service agencies in Yonkers are urging residents not to gather with family members who they do not live with as the holidays of Easter and Passover come upon us.

One thing President Donald Trump has backed is federal guidelines that call for social distancing through April 30th.

The federal government has projected 100,000 to 240,000 will die in the U.S. even with stringent social distancing measures.

However, they say that number would likely be much higher from 1 million to 2.2 million if the policies were not implemented.