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## **What You Need To Know | President Trump is Leading a Historic Effort to Develop a Coronavirus Vaccine in Record Time**

*President Trump is marshalling all of America's vast resources and expertise to rapidly develop and deliver a coronavirus vaccine through Operation Warp Speed.*

**President Trump has launched Operation Warp Speed to deliver a safe and effective coronavirus treatments and vaccines as quickly as possible**

- Operation Warp Speed marks a massive science, industrial, and logistical endeavor unlike anything our country has seen since the Manhattan Project.
- The President has appointed two remarkably qualified leaders to help oversee this effort:
  - Moncef Slaoui will serve as Chief Scientist, having previously served Chairman of Global Research and Development and Chairman of Global Vaccines at GlaxoSmithKline, where he led the development of 5 major novel vaccines –.
  - Gen. Gustave Perna will serve as Chief Operating Officer, a 4-star general in charge of the U.S. Army Materiel Command.

**Operation Warp Speed is a revolutionary public-private partnership that will aid the development, manufacturing, and distribution of coronavirus vaccines and treatments.**

- Operation Warp Speed aims to eliminate every last inefficiency to cut down the vaccine timeline and will continue to accelerate the development of breakthrough therapies.
- Even while a vaccine is being developed, Operation Warp Speed will work to accelerate the manufacturing and the distribution process so a vaccine can be delivered as soon as it's ready.
- More than a dozen promising vaccine candidates have already been identified from the more than 100 currently in development.
  - After further testing, large-scale trials will proceed for 3-5 candidates.
- President Trump and his Administration are committed to making the vaccines and therapies emerging from Operation Warp Speed affordable and accessible to the American people.

**President Trump is dedicating the full resources and support of the Federal government behind this historic effort.**

- President Trump has directed nearly \$10 billion to Operation Warp Speed through funding that was included in the CARES Act.
- Additionally, other flexible funding appropriated by Congress will be accessed to support the effort.

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**Subject:** INVITE: Governor-Only Briefing Call/VTC with the President, First Lady, Vice President, on Monday May 18 at 4:00 p.m. ET

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Governor's Senior Staff (Chief of Staff, State-Federal Director, and Scheduler),

Our Nation's Governors are invited to a **Governors-only Briefing Call (with a video teleconference option) with President Donald Trump, First Lady Melania Trump, Vice President Mike Pence** and Senior Administration Officials on **Monday, May 18, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time** for an update on the Federal-State-Local efforts to respond to COVID-19 and ensure the well-being of all Americans.

### Briefing Call/VTC Details

- **Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020
- **Time:** 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time
- **Expected Length:** 60-90 minutes
  - *Please communicate if your governor is expected to be late or depart early from the call.*
- **Governors Spouses:** Governors spouses are also invited to the briefing. Please indicate if they plan to join in the RSVP.
- **Federal Participants:** President Donald Trump, First Lady Melania Trump, Vice President Mike Pence & Senior Administration Officials.
- **Reminder Governors (i.e., one call-in per state):** Participation in this call is for governors and their spouse only, but we encourage governors and their spouse to be joined by their respective state health officer, homeland security advisor, emergency manager, state economic development director, state workforce director, human services director, other key state leaders in the State's response and re-opening efforts to COVID-19. Interactions will be limited only to governors, first spouses, and Federal leaders.
- **Video Teleconference Option:** FEMA has reached out to every state emergency manager and we know most states have VTC capabilities at your state emergency operations center. We can provide you details on your state VTC capabilities upon request. If you are interested in joining through VTC please indicate so in the RSVP.

### RSVP & Call-In/VTC Information – Deadline to RSVP is Saturday, May 16 at 5:00 p.m. ET

To RSVP your governor, email please email me ([Ariella.M.Campana@who.eop.gov](mailto:Ariella.M.Campana@who.eop.gov)) by **no later than Saturday, May 16 at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time**. Once you RSVP your governor, you will receive a call-in information link and guidance. VTC guidance will be provided upon request.

If you have any additional questions, please reach out to the White House Intergovernmental Affairs Office or the Office of the Vice President.

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Director Bryson,

See the attached Medical Facility Essential Elements of Information Status Tracker Report for May 15, 2020.

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State, Local, and Tribal Leaders –

Thank you to everyone that joined the White House COVID-19 National Briefing Call with State, Local, and Tribal Leaders on May 13. We were pleased to have U.S. Department of Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao join alongside Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Administrator Seema Verma, HHS Assistant Secretary for Health Brett Giroir, and other Federal agency partners. We also welcomed special guest, Governor Greg Abbott of Texas, who outlined the State of Texas' [plan](#) for disbursing recent CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund dollars to counties and cities throughout the State (see Letter from Governor Abbott, Lt. Governor Dan Patrick, and State Leaders to County and City Leaders [here](#)).

To date, White House components and Federal agencies have held at least 250 Coronavirus briefings (events, briefings, meetings, conference calls) reaching over 111,000 State, local and tribal leaders. Also this week, President Trump [hosted](#) Governors Jared Polis (CO) and Doug Burgum (ND) to discuss their ongoing Coronavirus response efforts and plans to reopen their economies. We appreciate your partnership in this All-of-America response and look forward to continued engagement and robust coordination. Our next National Briefing Call will be on Wednesday, May 20, at 11:00 AM Eastern Time. The invitation will be forthcoming. Below, please find a recap of this week's briefing call. We would also like to highlight several recent important announcements from the White House and Federal agencies.

- **President Donald Trump Announces Operation Warp Speed To Develop Coronavirus Vaccine:** On May 15 in the White House Rose Garden, President Trump [announced](#) the launch of Operation Warp Speed to deliver safe and effective coronavirus treatments and vaccines as quickly as possible. Operation Warp Speed marks a massive science, industrial, and logistical endeavor unlike anything the country has seen since the Manhattan Project. President Trump has directed nearly \$10 billion to Operation Warp Speed through funding that was included in the CARES Act.
- **President Donald Trump Visits Allentown, Pennsylvania and Outlines Administration Efforts to Ensure a Fully Stocked, Resilient National Stockpile:** On May 14, President Donald J. Trump visited Allentown, Pennsylvania and toured and [delivered remarks](#) at Owens & Minor, Inc. Distribution Center, a 137 year-old American medical distributor that has sent millions of N95 masks, surgical gowns, and gloves to hospitals and surgery centers across the country to respond to COVID-19. The President [outlined](#) how the Administration is working to ensure a fully stocked, resilient national stockpile and a domestic industrial base capable of meeting any future challenges.
- **Vice President Mike Pence Announces New Members of the White House Coronavirus Task Force:** On May 15, Vice President Mike Pence [announced](#) five new individuals to the White House Coronavirus Task Force. The five new members are: Sonny Perdue (Secretary of Agriculture), Gene Scalia (Secretary of Labor), Dr. Francis Collins (Director of the National Institutes of Health), Dr.



Peter Marks (FDDA Director of the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research), and Thomas Engels (Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration).

- **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Allocates Third Wave of CARES Act Funding Providing \$1 Billion for Communities to Bolster Coronavirus Response and Relief Efforts:** On May 11, HUD Secretary Ben Carson [announced](#) the allocation of \$1 billion through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program to States and insular areas in response to COVID-19. Every State and Insular Area will receive a portion of the relief funds. More [here](#). To date, HUD has provided over \$3 billion in CDBG funding nationwide to help communities acutely combat coronavirus and alleviate economic hardship.
- **Federal Housing Administration Extends Foreclosure and Eviction Moratorium for Single Family Homeowners:** On May 14, FHA announced an extension of its [foreclosure and eviction moratorium](#) through June 30, 2020, for homeowners with FHA-insured Single Family mortgages, while also supporting new FHA-insured mortgage originations through an extension of [temporary policy flexibilities](#) for lenders and appraisers. The extensions will support the President's economic recovery efforts as the Nation continues to work to defeat the COVID-19 invisible enemy. More from HUD Secretary Ben Carson on actions taken to safeguard the American renter and homeowner against impacts of coronavirus [here](#).
- **HHS Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration Seeks Applications for \$40 Million Emergency COVID-19 Grants for Suicide Prevention:** On May 13 as part of the Trump Administration's comprehensive response to the needs of Americans during the coronavirus pandemic, SAMHSA [announced](#) an emergency \$40 million grant program to prevent suicide. The purpose of this program is to support states and communities during the COVID-19 pandemic in advancing efforts to prevent suicide and suicide attempts among adults 25 and older in order to reduce the overall suicide rate and number of suicides in the United States. The program also includes a special focus on victims of domestic violence. The \$40 million will add to the \$375 million that SAMHSA has previously awarded in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- **U.S. Department of Labor Provides Guidance on Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation Program to States:** On May 14, DOL's Employment and Training Administration (ETA) has [announced](#) the publication of updated guidance, including FAQs, regarding the Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) program authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

Sincerely,

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## **White House COVID-19 National Briefing Call Readout *May 13, 2020***



### **Topline**

- **PPE Distribution:** As of May 5, FEMA, HHS, and the private sector combined have coordinated the delivery of or are currently shipping: 92.7 million N95 respirators, 133.7 million surgical masks, 10.5 million face shields, 22.5 million surgical gowns, 989 million gloves, 10,663 ventilators and 8,450 federal medical station beds. Please note that these numbers do not include resources provided to States and localities through coordinated public-private partnerships, like Project Air Bridge, and other sources.
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### **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)**

- **President Trump Announces Additional Resources for States, Territories, and Tribes to Meet Testing Goals:** On Monday, May 11, President Donald J. Trump announced additional actions to ensure States, Territories, and Tribes have the resources they need to meet their testing goals. These additional resources include \$11 billion in combined stimulus funding as well as approximately 12 million swabs to supplement private sector resources. By the end of the week, more than 300 retail testing sites will be operational to serve Americans in 47 States and D.C., prioritizing access to underserved communities. More here ([The United States Has Built the World's Leading Coronavirus Testing System](#)).
- **Trump Administration Is Providing Support for Our Nation's Senior During the Coronavirus Pandemic:** On April 30, President Trump delivered remarks on the many ways the Administration is protecting America's seniors from the COVID-19 pandemic and will continue to do so as we start the process of opening up America again. Among additional actions, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will send supplemental shipments of personal protective equipment to all 15,400 Medicaid and Medicare-certified nursing homes in America. In addition, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid (CMS) is providing States with \$81 million from the CARES Act to increase their inspections of nursing homes at this crucial time. More [here](#). Concurrently, CMS also [announced](#) a new, independent Commission that will conduct a comprehensive assessment of the nursing home response to the coronavirus pandemic.
- **HHS and Federal Government Continue to Partner with Private Sector in Supporting Community-Based Testing Sites for COVID-19:** HHS has partnered with pharmacy and retail companies to accelerate testing for more Americans in more communities across the country.
- **CMS Issues Nursing Homes Best Practices Toolkit to Combat COVID-19:** On May 13, under the direction of President Trump, CMS released a new [toolkit](#) developed to aid nursing homes, Governors, states, departments of health, and other agencies who provide oversight and assistance to

these facilities, with additional resources to aid in the fight against the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic within nursing homes. The toolkit builds upon previous actions taken by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), which provide a wide range of tools and guidance to states, healthcare providers and others during the public health emergency. More [here](#).

- **CMS Announces Call for Nominations for Contractor-Led Coronavirus Commission on Safety and Quality in Nursing Homes:** On May 14, as a part of President Trump's plan to Open Up America Again, CMS [announced](#) a call for nominations for the new contractor-led Coronavirus Commission on Safety and Quality in Nursing Homes to help inform immediate and future responses to COVID-19 within these facilities. This independent Commission's work will build on the Administration's long history of decisive actions to protect nursing home residents.
- **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Providing Unprecedented Resources in Response to COVID-19:** CDC received supplemental funds through Congressional appropriations, including the CARES Act. These supplemental support a wide range of critical activities including epidemiology, surveillance, contact tracing, lab testing and diagnostics, guidance, health department readiness and coordination, and travel health outreach. Examples of how this funding is supporting State, Local, Tribal and Territorial Public Health Organizations include:
  - **\$640 million** has been awarded to [Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity](#) (ELC) grantees for coronavirus surveillance and disease tracking;
  - **\$750 million** has been awarded for [Urgent Response Needs for States, Localities, and Territories](#) through the crisis cooperative agreement;
  - **\$159 million** has been announced as a new [grant funding opportunity](#) for tribes.

#### **U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)**

- **USDA Soon To Take Applications for Coronavirus Food Assistance Program:** On April 17, USDA Secretary Sonny Perdue announced the Coronavirus Food Assistance program to assist farmers and ranchers who have suffered losses during the 2020 marketing year due to COVID-19. CFAP will use funding and authorities provided in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, and other USDA existing authorities. This \$19 billion immediate relief program includes direct support to agricultural producers as well as the Food Box Distribution Program (*see below*). More information on CFAP can be found [here](#). An updated list of FAQ's can be found [here](#).
- **USDA Launches Farmers to Families Food Box Program:** On April 15, USDA Secretary Sonny Perdue and Ivanka Trump [visited](#) Coastal Sunbelt Produce wholesaler to celebrate the launch of USDA's \$3 billion [Farmers to Families Food Box program](#). The program is part of the \$19 billion coronavirus farmer's assistance program included in the CARES Act. Through this program, USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is partnering with national, regional and local suppliers, whose workforce has been significantly impacted by the closure of restaurants, hotels and other food service businesses, to purchase up to \$3 billion in fresh produce, dairy and meat products. The program will purchase \$461 million in fresh fruits and vegetables, \$317 million in a variety of dairy products, \$258 million in meat products and \$175 million in a combination box of fresh produce, dairy or meat products. Find approved contractors for the program [here](#) and a list of FAQ's [here](#).
- **U.S. Department of Agriculture Continues to Award High-Speed Broadband Grants:** USDA, through the ReConnect Pilot Program, continues to award high-speed broadband development grants to rural communities throughout the country. Recent examples include Iowa ([USDA Invests More Than \\$500,000 in High-Speed Broadband in Rural Iowa](#)), Michigan ([USDA Invests \\$22.5 Million in High-Speed Broadband for Rural Michigan](#)), New Hampshire ([USDA Invests \\$2 Million in High-Speed Broadband in Rural New Hampshire](#)), and New Mexico ([USDA Invests \\$23 Million in High-Speed Broadband in Rural New Mexico](#)).
- **U.S. Department of Agriculture Extends Flexibilities, Paves the Way for Meals for Kids to Continue Through Summer:** On May 15, USDA Secretary Sonny Perdue [announced](#) the extension of three nationwide waivers, giving child nutrition program operators the flexibility they need to feed children while promoting social distancing and keeping families safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. Throughout the pandemic, schools and local program sponsors have used flexibilities provided by USDA to find creative ways to [feed kids](#), such as setting up drive-thru pick-ups and delivering meals on bus routes. With the extension of these waivers, these innovative models can continue, without interruption, while state and local social distancing orders remain in place.

## **U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)**

- **DOT Nearing Completion of \$10 B in FAA CARES Act Grants:** The FAA continues to issue almost \$10 billion in CARES Act airport grants to 3,200 commercial service and general aviation airport sponsors across all 50 states and 5 U.S. territories. Through May 12, 1,650 allocations have been awarded with a total obligated value of \$7.2 billion. Funds are awarded when recipients finalize their contract with the FAA. The funds are available for airport capital expenditures, airport operating expenses including payroll and utilities, and airport debt payments. The CARES Act also provides funds to increase the Federal share to 100 percent for FY 2020 Airport Improvement Program (AIP) and Supplemental Discretionary grants. More [here](#).
- **DOT Continues to Invest in Nation's Transit Infrastructure:** Millions of Americans rely on public transit to get to work and access critical services. The Federal Transit Administration worked in record time to apportion \$25 billion in the first six days after the passage of the CARES Act. In the coming months, FTA anticipates investing more than \$600 million in competitive funding for transit infrastructure across the nation. More [here](#).
- **Federal Highway Administration Empowering States to Ensure Continued Free Flow of Critical Relief Supplies and Other Essential Goods:** To ensure the continued free flow of critical relief supplies and other essential goods, FHWA clarified States' authority to issue permits for overweight vehicles and loads during national emergencies. With the critical freight demand came the need to encourage States to keep the National Network open to commercial traffic and to keep rest areas open for commercial truck drivers to park and safely rest. As restaurants began to limit access and service, FHWA issued a Notice of Enforcement Discretion to temporarily allow States to permit food trucks at Interstate Rest Areas to feed commercial truck drivers. More from the FHWA [here](#).
- **Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Supporting America's Truckers:** DOT coordinated within the administration to get over one million of the first federally-procured cloth face coverings distributed to long-haul truckers. The Department is currently coordination for our critical workers in transit as well. On May 14, FMCSA [published](#) a final rule updating hours of service (HOS) rules to increase safety on America's roadways by updating existing regulations for commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers. "The Department of Transportation and the Trump Administration listened directly to the concerns of truckers seeking rules that are safer and have more flexibility—and we have acted. These updated hours of service rules are based on the thousands of comments we received from the American people. These reforms will improve safety on America's roadways and strengthen the nation's motor carrier industry," said FMCSA Acting Administrator Jim Mullen. More [here](#).

## **U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC)**

- **U.S. Department of Commerce Announces Availability of \$1.5 Billion in CARES Act Funds to Aid Communities Impacted by the Coronavirus Pandemic:** On May 7, the Department of Commerce [announced](#) the Department's Economic Development Administration (EDA) is now accepting applications from eligible grantees for CARES Act supplemental funds intended to help communities prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus. Under this announcement, EDA will make CARES Act Recovery Assistance grants under the authority of the Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) program, which is intended to be flexible and responsible to the economic development needs and priorities of local and regional stakeholders. More information, including how communities can apply, can be found [here](#).
- **President Trump Signs Executive Order to Secure America's Seafood Supply Chain and Bring Jobs Home:** On May 6, President Trump signed an [Executive Order](#) to increase America's competitiveness in the seafood industry and protect the seafood supply chain. This order instructs agencies to expand sustainable seafood production in the United States thereby solidifying our Nation's food security, protect American jobs in the seafood industry, and create new jobs in the United States. More [here](#). President Trump also announced the availability of \$300 million from the Department of Commerce to support fishermen and related businesses hurt by the Coronavirus. Allocations by State can be found [here](#).

## **U.S. Department of the Treasury (DT)**

- **Treasury Begins Distribution of Coronavirus Relief Fund Dollars to Native American Tribes:** The President signed the CARES Act into law, providing \$8 billion to address coronavirus



preparedness, response, and recovery for American Indians and Alaska Natives. On May 5, Treasury and the U.S. Department of the Interior [announced](#) initial allocations of this funding, totaling nearly \$5 billion, which represents one of the largest programmatic investments in Indian Country in our Nation's history.

- **Treasury Updates Guidance and FAQ's for States, Tribes, and Local Governments:** On May 4, Treasury released an updated list of Frequently Asked Questions regarding the distribution and use of Coronavirus Relief Fund funds. Among other updates, Treasury provides that "as a matter of administrative convenience in light of the emergency nature of this program, a State, territorial, local, or Tribal government *may presume* that payroll costs for public health and public safety employees are payments for services substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the CVOID-19 public health emergency." The updated FAQ's can be found [here](#). More information on the Coronavirus Relief Fund can be found [here](#).
- **Treasury Updates Guidance and FAQ's for Economic Impact Payments:** Millions of Americans have already received their Economic Impact Payments authorized by the CARES Act. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) continues to calculate and automatically send the Payments to most eligible individuals, however some may have to provide additional information to the IRS to get their Payments. More information [here](#).

### **U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)**

- **SBA Continues to Deliver Unprecedented Relief to the Nation's Small Businesses:** Through the Paycheck Protection Program ([PPP](#)) authorized under the CARES Act, the SBA is delivering unprecedented relief to the Nation's Small Businesses. In the first round of funding alone, the agency [processed](#) more than 14 years' worth of loans in less than 14 days. With an additional \$310 billion in authorized funding, SBA continues to authorize PPP loans. In Round II, 5,425 lenders have approved over 2.4 million loans averaging \$74,304 per loan. More [here](#). A list of frequently asked questions can be found [here](#). Additional questions should be referred to local and regional offices ([here](#)).
- **SBA Announces Reopening of Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) Program and Makes Available to U.S. Agricultural Businesses Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic:** On May 4, SBA announced the reopening of the EIDL program and EIDL Advance programs and expanded eligibility to agricultural businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. More [here](#). More on SBA coronavirus relief options, including EIDL, [here](#).

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Dear Colleague:

Today, the Trump Administration announced the appointment of Moncef Slaoui as chief advisor and General Gustave F. Perna as chief operating officer of [Operation Warp Speed \(OWS\)](#), the administration's national program to accelerate the development, manufacturing, and distribution of COVID-19 vaccines, therapeutics, and diagnostics (medical countermeasures).

Dr. Slaoui's record certainly instills confidence – he led GlaxoSmithKline's vaccine development division when it had the broadest portfolio of vaccines of any company—48—and created 14 new vaccines in ten years, including one I just had – Shingrix, to prevent shingles. General Perna is a four star, brings the “get-it-done” ethic of the military, and currently oversees the global supply chain and installation and materiel readiness for the entire U.S. Army.

These dynamic leads are joined by some of FDA, NIH, and DOD's brightest stars (all named in the [press release](#)). Together, this Operation Warp Speed crew has January 2021 as their goal for having substantial quantities of a safe and effective vaccine available, among other objectives.

The [press release](#) is quite detailed about who, what, and how Operation Warp Speed will operate, including how they will coordinate as a public-private partnership, and do so in conjunction with no less than five federal agencies!

Now, I highlight one other item because some of you have asked about **Nursing Home Commission** announced by President Trump recently. Here's more to know:

**Call for Nominations for the Nursing Home Commission:** CMS is announcing a [call for nominations for the new contractor-led Coronavirus Commission on Safety and Quality in Nursing Homes](#) to help inform immediate and future responses to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) within these facilities. The Commission will conduct a comprehensive assessment of the overall response to the COVID-19 pandemic in nursing homes and will inform immediate and future actions to address the virus in order to safeguard the health and quality of life for an especially vulnerable population of Americans. The Commission will consist of a diverse group of individuals, which may include industry experts, clinicians, resident/patient advocates, family members of individuals residing in nursing homes, medical ethicists, nursing home administrators, academics, infection control and prevention professionals, state and local authorities, and other stakeholders whose expertise can contribute to one or more of the areas on which the Commission will focus. The contractor is accepting nominations on their Nursing Home Commission Nomination website, where additional information about the Commission and its purpose can also be found. The contractor has indicated that nominations will close on May 22, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. EDT, with announcement of the names of the Commission members occurring by the end of May.

### Testing

**Updated Information on the Accuracy of Abbott ID NOW Point-of-Care Test:** FDA is alerting the public to early data that suggest potential [inaccurate results from using the Abbott ID NOW point-of-care test](#) to diagnose COVID-19.

Specifically, the test may return false negative results. The FDA is sharing early information available about potential inaccurate results in the spirit of transparency. The agency has been working with Abbott to analyze the information gathered to date and has worked with the company on a customer notification letter to alert users that any negative test results that are not consistent with a patient's clinical signs and symptoms or necessary for patient management should be confirmed with another test.

**Testing updates:** During the COVID-19 pandemic, the FDA has worked with more than 390 test developers who have already submitted or said they will be submitting EUA requests to the FDA for tests that detect the virus or antibodies to the virus. To date, the FDA has authorized 98 tests under EUAs, which include 85 molecular tests, 12 antibody tests, and 1 antigen test.

## **Treatment**

**Expanding the Understanding of Sepsis and COVID-19:** BARDA announced an expanded partnership with Beckman Coulter to [assess digital sepsis prediction solution](#) for COVID-19 patients. BARDA and Beckman Coulter, in collaboration with Dascena, Inc., are expanding a public-private partnership to support additional advanced research and development that will optimize a machine-learning-based sepsis prediction and detection algorithm to include assessing its use with COVID-19 patients.

**Study Finds a Potential Treatment to Protect Against COVID-19 Pneumonia:** NIH released information from a study with the findings that [Investigational ChAdOx1 nCoV-19 Vaccine Protects Monkeys Against COVID-19 Pneumonia](#). A single dose of ChAdOx1 nCoV-19, an investigational vaccine against SARS-CoV-2, has protected six rhesus macaques from pneumonia caused by the virus. The findings are not yet peer-reviewed but are being shared to assist the public health response to COVID-19. Based on these data, a Phase 1 trial of the candidate vaccine began on April 23 in healthy volunteers in the United Kingdom.

**Ensuring Supply of Infusion Pumps and Their Accessories:** The FDA issued an [Emergency Use Authorization \(EUA\)](#) for infusion pumps and infusion pump accessories that, among other things, meet certain safety, performance, and labeling criteria, in response to concerns relating to the insufficient supply and availability of the devices for use by healthcare providers in the continuous infusion of medications, total parenteral nutrition, and/or other fluids into patients during the COVID-19 pandemic. Infusion pumps and accessories that have been confirmed by FDA to meet the criteria will be added to the letter of authorization in Appendix A. A manufacturer may request the addition of any eligible infusion pump and/or infusion pump accessory to Appendix A by submitting a request to [CDRH-COVID19-InfusionPumps@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:CDRH-COVID19-InfusionPumps@fda.hhs.gov), as outlined in the EUA.

## **PPE**

**Guidance for Pharmacy Compounders with PPE Shortages:** The FDA issued an update to its [guidance for pharmacy compounders](#) that experience shortages of the personal protective equipment (PPE) they typically use to compound human drugs that are intended or expected to be sterile. In the update, FDA has clarified that drugs can be compounded under the policy in a segregated compounding area that is not in a cleanroom, when specific beyond-use dates are utilized. FDA adopted this policy to help assure patient access to needed medicines and to reduce the risks of compounding when standard PPE are not available. As a temporary measure during the public health emergency posed by COVID-19, or until FDA otherwise withdraws or revises this guidance, and while PPE shortages impact compounding operations, FDA does not intend to take enforcement action regarding compliance with the insanitary conditions provision when drugs intended or expected to be sterile are compounded without standard PPE provided that specific circumstances exist.

## **Information for Specific Populations**

**Uplifting Families During COVID-19:** ACF Administrator Lynn Johnson published an [op-ed](#) discussing how ACF has responded to help uplift those most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. She highlights actions taken to ensure PPE for

child welfare workers, extended the use of Head Start Centers for child care for essential workers, and urged child welfare legal and judicial leaders to work together to ensure that necessary court hearings continue during this pandemic.

**Information for General Population Shelters during COVID-19:** CDC released [CDC Interim Guidance for General Population Disaster Shelters During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#). This interim guidance is based on current information about the transmission and severity of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). This document provides interim guidance to reduce the risk of introducing and transmitting COVID-19 in general population disaster shelters before, during, or after a disaster. This document is intended for use by federal, state, local, and tribal jurisdictions in the United States. It should be used in conjunction with existing shelter operation and management plans, procedures, guidance, resources, and systems, and is not a substitute for shelter planning and preparedness activities.

**Information for Immunocompromised Populations:** CDC updated their information for [If You Are Immunocompromised, Protect Yourself From COVID-19](#). People with weakened immune systems are at higher risk of getting severely sick from SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. They may also remain infectious for a longer period of time than others with COVID-19, but we cannot confirm this until we learn more about this new virus. The information includes tips on preventing COVID-19, steps you can take to protect your health, treatment, and additional information for specific conditions and risk factors.

**Information for Meat and Poultry Processing Workers and Employers:** CDC and OSHA updated their guidance for [Meat and Poultry Processing Workers and Employers](#). The guidance includes exposure risk among workers, and detailed information on creating an assessment and control plan to prevent an outbreak.

**Information for Veterinary Clinics:** CDC updated their [Interim Infection Prevention and Control Guidance for Veterinary Clinics Treating Companion Animals During the COVID-19 Response](#). Specific updates include the addition of a section on PPE extended use and reuse.

**Information for Non-US Healthcare Settings:** CDC updated their [Operational Considerations for Containing COVID-19 in non-US Healthcare Settings](#). To facilitate implementation of WHO COVID-19 technical guidance on infection prevention and control (IPC) activities for countries, CDC has developed operational considerations to help contain and prevent COVID-19 in healthcare facilities in non-US settings. These documents were created for healthcare facilities with limited resources (such as staff shortages and supply shortages), particularly in low- and middle-income countries.

## **CMS Updates**

**Information for Medicare Fee-for-Service Providers:** CMS updated their [FAQ document on Medicare Fee-for-Service Billing](#). Generally, the FAQs regard Medicare and Medicaid Programs' and policy and regulatory revisions in response to COVID-19 public health emergency. The updated question relates to accountable care organizations and the Shared Savings program.

## **CMS Gives States Additional Flexibility to Address Coronavirus Pandemic**

CMS has approved over 190 requests for state relief in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including recent approvals for California, Georgia, Indiana, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, and Rhode Island. These approvals help to ensure that states have the tools they need to combat COVID-19. This is done through a wide variety of waivers, amendments, and Medicaid state plan flexibilities, including support for programs that care for the elderly and people with disabilities. CMS also developed a [toolkit](#) to expedite the application and review of each request and has approved these requests in record time. These approved flexibilities support President Trump's commitment to a COVID-19 response that is locally executed, state managed, and federally supported.

## **Research and Data**

**COVID-19 and Health Disparities Research:** NIH director released a blog on [COVID-19 Brings Health Disparities Research to the Forefront](#). The coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic has brought into sharp focus many of the troubling things that we already knew about health disparities in the United States but have failed to address. With the bright light now shining on this important issue, it is time to talk about the role research can play in reducing the disproportionate burden of COVID-19, as well as improving the health of all people in our great nation. In the blog, Dr. Collins and the Dr. Eliseo Pérez-Stable, Director of NIH's National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD) discuss the current data on the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on minority populations and what NIH is doing to address health disparities from a research perspective.

**Updates from COVIDView:** CDC released their weekly [COVIDView](#) update. Nationally, levels of influenza-like illness (ILI) and COVID-19-like illness (CLI) and the percentage of specimens testing positive for SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, continue to decline. Mortality attributed to COVID-19 also decreased compared to last week but remains elevated above baseline and may increase as additional death certificates are counted.

**Update from COVID Forecasts:** CDC released their weekly analysis of the [Forecasts for Cumulative Deaths](#). This week's national-level forecasting includes 12 individual forecasts, and all indicate an increase in deaths in the coming weeks. Predicted rates of increase differ among the forecasts, depending on assumptions about the strength and coverage of social distancing behaviors. The National Ensemble Forecast suggests that the number of cumulative reported deaths are likely to exceed 100,000 by June 1st. State-level ensemble forecasts indicate that states with low numbers of deaths reported to date are not likely to see a rapid rise in the coming weeks, while states with high numbers of deaths reported to date are likely to see substantial increases.

**National Hospital Week:** May 10 through 16, 2020, marks National Hospital Week. HHS Secretary Azar [notes](#) that "...Everyone who staffs America's hospitals—from doctors and nurses to everyone who keeps these institutions clean and supplied—has worked tirelessly and heroically to keep America's hospitals running and patients cared for. America's hospitals and their workers have been stressed, but through dedication and creativity, they have not been overwhelmed.... Through the most trying time our healthcare system has ever faced, we will continue helping America's hospitals meet this emergency and get Americans the care they need."

Alright, folks, it's Friday (TGIF!) and 87 degrees! Time to sign off.

Stay safe!

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## Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic: Whole-of-America Response

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Attached you will find today's FEMA Daily Briefing Points for the Whole-of-America response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. These briefing points include Topline Messages, as well as information By the Numbers; Supply Chain Task Force; FEMA and Department of Health and Human Services Response; and Guidance from Federal Agencies.

Topline messaging includes:

- On **May 15**, [President Trump announced](#) Operation Warp Speed. The goal of this national program is to accelerate the development, manufacturing, and distribution of COVID-19 vaccines, therapeutics, and diagnostics.
  - Operation Warp Speed is a public-private partnership between components of HHS, the Department of Defense, private firms and other federal agencies.
  - The program aims to have substantial quantities of a safe and effective vaccine available for Americans by January 2021.
- On **May 14**, [President Trump announced](#) continued efforts to ensure a fully stocked, resilient national stockpile and the strong domestic industrial base needed to confront COVID-19.
  - These efforts will include a plan to restructure the Strategic National Stockpile, implanting lessons learned from recent pandemics.

- Additionally, the President signed an executive order providing authority to ensure America is producing critical goods necessary to build up our strategic stockpiles and reduce dependency on foreign supplies.
- As of **May 15**, FEMA, HHS, and the private sector combined have coordinated the delivery of or are currently shipping: 83.3 million N95 respirators, 133.7 million surgical masks, 10.6 million face shields, 23.1 million surgical gowns, and 989 million gloves.
- FEMA has procured and delivered 4.1 million swabs and 2.3 million media so far in the month of May. In support of the White House Task Force’s testing initiative, FEMA is supporting the procurement of specimen collection supplies to supplement the supplies states and healthcare providers are procuring from the private market.
- As of **May 15**, CDC, state, and local public health labs and other laboratories have tested more than 10.4 million samples.
  - As of **May 14**, the FDA has issued 98 individual [emergency use authorizations](#) (EAU) for test kit manufacturers and laboratories, including 12 antibody tests and 1 antigen test.
- On **May 11**, [President Trump announced](#) additional efforts to ensure that every state, territory and tribe has the resources they need to meet the robust testing plans described in the President’s [Guidelines for Opening up America Again](#) and the [Testing Blueprint](#) unveiled by the President on April 27.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide further assistance.

Best,

Darcie

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1. Can the CDC provide additional laboratory space and technicians to process 2000 specimens/per day?
2. If space and technicians are not available collectively, can the CDC provide the following technical/non-technical positions to augment GPHL's current workforce in our existing lab space?
  - Laboratory Technician
  - Laboratory Technologist (proficient in molecular testing)
  - Laboratory Supervisor (proficient in molecular testing)
3. If staff are not available, can the CDC provide the Department of Public Health's laboratory staff access to dedicated molecular laboratory facilities equipped to support COVID-19 testing?
4. If existing CDC space cannot be shared, can the CDC provide the following equipment on loan to the State of Georgia for a period of time (perhaps the next 120 days)?
  - Liquid Handlers (qty 2)
  - High Throughput Extraction Platforms (qty 2)
  - RT-PCR Platforms (qty 4)

5. If the CDC is unable to accommodate the above 4 requests, can the CDC manufacture Viral Transport Media for the State of Georgia according to the distributed CDC VTM protocol?

Consideration of one or more of the above requests is appreciated, and will greatly enhance our statewide lab capacity. Thank you for your on-going assistance.

**Kathleen E. Toomey, M.D., M.P.H.**

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Good Saturday morning to you.

Sorry to bother you on a weekend but I have a question that they'd like to know today if possible. In the most recent calls to all 50 states we asked about your testing needs over May and June, and you gave us estimates. What apparently isn't clear is if those estimates included the following:

The ask from Dr. Redfield and Birx is to provide estimates of the # of tests states *additionally* need for specialized surveillance, including but not limited to these specific subgroups:

- i. Nursing homes (work with CMS; estimate a one-time test for all and then weekly, but may need to reconsider frequency based on what's possible)
- ii. Prisons
- iii. Homeless shelters
- iv. Meatpacking and other manufacturing
- v. Inner-city clinics and tribal groups (and other high risk groups)
- vi. Asymptomatic testing for surveillance

If your earlier estimate included those numbers, great; that's all we need to know. If you didn't take them into account, can you give a reasonable estimate about the extra tests you might need?

I'm going to follow-up with a phone call to you shortly, but feel free to reply by email if that's easier for you. Again, apologies for the request. I hope you're able to find a little time over the weekend to get some well-deserved rest.

Thanks!

**Mark A. Davis**

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Sir – This evening's update is outlined below:

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Hi Robin,

Please fill out this dial-in link as back up for tomorrow's call.

Thank you,  
Ella Campana

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Please RSVP for VTC for Governor Kemp.

Thanks,  
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Governor's Senior Staff (Chief of Staff, State-Federal Director, and Scheduler),

Our Nation's Governors are invited to a **Governors-only Briefing Call (with a video teleconference option)** with **President Donald Trump, First Lady Melania Trump, Vice President Mike Pence** and Senior Administration Officials on **Monday, May 18, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time** for an update on the Federal-State-Local efforts to respond to COVID-19 and ensure the well-being of all Americans.

#### **Briefing Call/VTC Details**

- **Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020
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- **Expected Length:** 60-90 minutes
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- **Governors Spouses:** Governors spouses are also invited to the briefing. Please indicate if they plan to join in the RSVP.
- **Federal Participants:** President Donald Trump, First Lady Melania Trump, Vice President Mike Pence & Senior Administration Officials.
- **Reminder Governors (i.e., one call-in per state):** Participation in this call is for governors and their spouse only, but we encourage governors and their spouse to be joined by their respective state health officer, homeland security advisor, emergency manager, state economic development director, state workforce director, human services director, other key state leaders in the State's response and re-opening efforts to COVID-19. Interactions will be limited only to governors, first spouses, and Federal leaders.
- **Video Teleconference Option:** FEMA has reached out to every state emergency manager and we know most states have VTC capabilities at your state emergency operations center. We can provide you details on your state VTC capabilities upon request. If you are interested in joining through VTC please indicate so in the RSVP.

#### **RSVP & Call-In/VTC Information – Deadline to RSVP is Saturday, May 16 at 5:00 p.m. ET**

To RSVP your governor, email please email me ([Ariella.M.Campana@who.eop.gov](mailto:Ariella.M.Campana@who.eop.gov)) by **no later than Saturday, May 16 at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time**. Once you RSVP your governor, you will receive a call-in information link and guidance. VTC guidance will be provided upon request.

If you have any additional questions, please reach out to the White House Intergovernmental Affairs Office or the Office of the Vice President.

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Thanks,  
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**NO OTHER CHANGES FROM THIS MORNING'S REPORT**

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**Subject:** RE: Update from Vice President Mike Pence: Project Airbridge State & County-Level Data - Georgia

Good Morning, please find an update on Project Airbridge and additional commercial supply chain acquisitions attached through May 8.

Also attached you will find shipment information so you may anticipate PPE kits arriving to nursing homes in your state. Rear Admiral Polowczyk will provide an update on these shipments during today's call.

Please let us know if you have any questions and thank you.

Best,

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Good Morning – please find this week’s PPE distribution document attached for reference during this afternoon’s call with Vice President Pence and members of the White House Coronavirus Task Force. As a reminder, these supplies have been delivered the result of Project Airbridge and additional commercial supply chain acquisitions between March 1-May 1. The information shared with you today is for official use only and is not for distribution.

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Good Morning – as discussed during Friday’s Governors VTC, please find an updated PPE distribution document attached outlining supplies delivered as a result of Project Airbridge and other commercial supply chain acquisitions as of April 24.

Thank you for your partnership.

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Governor and Senior Staff,

Over the past several briefings, I've provided updates with FEMA Administrator Pete Gaynor and Joint Chiefs of Staff Rear Adm. John Polowczyk on increasing supply and expanding domestic allocation and production of medical supplies and equipment.

**As the result of Project Airbridge and additional commercial supply chain acquisitions, attached you will find personal protection equipment (PPE) and other critical supplies distributed from FEMA to your State between April 1- April 14. The information shared with you today is for official use only and is not for distribution.** The attachment includes:

- Statewide Total PPE Shipments for N95 Masks, Surgical Masks, Face Shields, Gowns, and Gloves
- County-Level PPE Shipments for N95 Masks, Surgical Masks, Face Shields, Gowns, and Gloves

The PPE was distributed to healthcare facilities in your State through the normal commercial supplier distribution system. Project Airbridge has greatly helped expedite sourcing of key materials from around the world and more efficiently distribute these vital resources to hospitals, nursing homes, long-term care facilities, pre-hospital medical services, state and local governments, and other facilities critical to caring for the American people during this pandemic.

**Necessary State Reporting Ask:** This information is being provided to support State-led efforts to get necessary critical supplies to the right place, at the right time within your state. In return, I ask you to ensure your State is reporting key information from your State emergency manager to the FEMA Regional Administrator. Most States are reporting this data on a daily basis, which is appreciated and I ask you to take action to ensure your State continues doing this on a regular basis. This reporting includes:

- Daily broad healthcare capacity data reporting on key hospital capacity and ventilator use metrics.
- Daily State's stockpile inventory and hospital PPE supplies to assist with our prioritization of supplies and equipment deliveries to areas most in need.

If you have any additional questions, please reach out to my office or White House Intergovernmental Affairs Office. Thank you for your tireless efforts and partnership during these unprecedented times.

Sincerely,

Vice President Mike Pence

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#### **Additional Background on Project Airbridge**

FEMA continues to expedite movement of commercially pre-sourced and commercially procured critical supplies from the global market to medical distributors in various locations across the U.S. through [FEMA Project Airbridge](#). The Air Bridge was created to reduce the time it takes for U.S. medical supply distributors to receive PPE and other critical supplies into the country for their respective customers. FEMA covers the cost to fly supplies into the U.S. from overseas factories, reducing shipment time from months or weeks to days. Overseas flights arrive at operational hub airports for distribution to hotspots and nationwide locations through regular supply chains. Flight arrivals do not mean supplies will be distributed in the operational hub

locations. Per agreements with distributors, 50% of supplies on each plane are for customers within the hotspot areas with most critical needs. The remaining 50% is fed into distributors' normal supply chain to their customers in other areas nationwide. HHS and FEMA determine hotspot areas based on CDC data. The information does not include product distributed outside of major medical distributors and ~8% of total volume not mapped to a location. Numbers are directional and constitute a minimum, not a maximum. All numbers round to nearest 100. You can find more information [here](#).

We have received a number of questions as to where specifically these private sector medical supplies are going to better inform prioritization decisions being made at the state, local, tribal and territorial level. FEMA provides these documents to you so you can understand the overall flow of commercial supplies within your state. This information informs partners on the flow of private sector-distributed PPE which includes, but is not limited to, shipments facilitated by Project Airbridge.

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Good morning,

At President Trump's direction, the entire Federal government is working to deliver a safe and effective coronavirus vaccine to the frontlines as soon as possible.

- On Friday, [President Trump announced Operation Warp Speed](#), a public-private partnership to facilitate, at an unprecedented pace, the development, manufacturing, and distribution of a COVID-19 vaccine and therapeutic.
- There are currently at least **eight candidate COVID-19 vaccines** in clinical development.

Additionally, the U.S. Department of the Treasury and U.S. Small Business Administration released the [Paycheck Protection Program \(PPP\) Loan Forgiveness Application](#) and detailed instructions for the application. Click [here](#) to view the application and instructions.

**Today, the President participates in a roundtable with Restaurant Executives and Industry Leaders at 2:00pm ET. President and the First Lady participate in a Governors' Video Teleconference on COVID-19 response and ensuring the well-being of all Americans at 4:00pm ET.**

**Additional Guidance (as of 5.17, 6 p.m.):**

- **WH** - White House Announces Comment Period for Emerging Drug Threats Criteria ([Click here](#))
- **WH** - New Members of the White House Coronavirus Task Force Announced ([Click here](#))
- **WH** - Proclamation on Emergency Medical Services Week, 2020 ([Click here](#))
- **HHS** - Trump Administration Announces Framework and Leadership for 'Operation Warp Speed' ([Click here](#))
- **HHS** - Secretary Azar Statement on National Hospital Week ([Click here](#))
- **CDC** - Laboratory Capacity ([Click here](#))
- **CDC** - Resources for Institutes of Higher Education ([Click here](#))
- **CDC** - Interim Guidance for Administrators of U.S. Institutions of Higher Education ([Click here](#))
- **CMS** - Trump Administration Announces Call for Nominations for Nursing Home Commission ([Click here](#))
- **CMS** - May 15 News Alert ([Click here](#))
- **FDA** - FDA Informs Public About Possible Accuracy Concerns with Abbott ID NOW Point-of-Care Test ([Click here](#))
- **FDA** - Federal judge enters temporary injunction against Xephyr LLC doing business as N-Ergetics, preventing sale of Colloidal Silver Products for COVID-19 ([Click here](#))
- **FDA** - May 14 Daily Roundup ([Click here](#))
- **NIH** - NIH begins clinical trial of hydroxychloroquine and azithromycin to treat COVID-19 ([Click here](#))
- **Treasury/IRS** - IRS expands partner materials for Economic Impact Payments; continues sweeping effort to share details in multiple languages ([Click here](#))
- **Federal Reserve** - Regulators temporarily change the supplementary leverage ratio to increase banking organizations' ability to support credit to households and businesses in light of the coronavirus response ([Click here](#))
- **USDA** - USDA Extends Flexibilities, Paves the Way for Meals for Kids to Continue through Summer ([Click here](#))

- **USDA** - USDA Approves Wyoming to Accept SNAP Benefits Online ([Click here](#))
- **USDA** - USDA Approves Program to Feed Kids in Louisiana and Indiana ([Click here](#))
- **DOJ** - Court Orders Oklahoma Company to Stop Selling Colloidal Silver as Treatment for COVID-19 ([Click here](#))
- **DOJ** - Department of Justice Supports National Pork Producers Council's Ability to Combat Meat Shortage ([Click here](#))
- **DOJ** - Georgia Woman Arrested for Role in Scheme to Defraud Health Care Benefit Programs Related to Cancer Genetic Testing and COVID-19 Testing ([Click here](#))
- **DOD** - Warrior Medics Deploy to Centcom Region ([Click here](#))
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- **DOD** - Military Flyovers Thank Americans for Service to Country ([Click here](#))
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**Subject:** CDC Lab Assistance for Georgia discussion  
**Location:** Skype Meeting

**Start:** Wed 5/20/2020 11:00 AM  
**End:** Wed 5/20/2020 12:00 PM

**Recurrence:** (none)

**Meeting Status:** Accepted

**Organizer:** Lee, Sooji (CDC/DDID/NCIRD/DBD)  
**Required Attendees:** Lee, Sooji (CDC/DDID/NCIRD/DBD); Starks, Angela M. (CDC/DDID/NCHHSTP/DTE); Rose, Dale A. (CDC/DDID/NCEZID/DPEI); Toomey, Kathleen  
**Optional Attendees:** Kuhnert-Tallman, Wendi (CDC/DDID/OD); Olson, Victoria (CDC/DDID/NCEZID/DHCPP); Pfeiffer, Heidi L. (CDC/DDPHSIS/CSTLTS/DPIFS); Karpathy, Sandor (CDC/DDID/NCEZID/DVBD); kvincent@cdcfoundation.org; York, Shannon (CDC/DDID/NCEZID/DPEI); Wiese, Nicholas (CDC/DDID/NCEZID/DHCPP); Hines, Janine (CDC/DDPHSIS/CGH/DGHT); Simone, Patricia (Pattie) (CDC/DDPHSS/CSELS/DSEPD); Newman, Carl I CIV DTRA CT (USA); Aden, Tricia (CDC/DDID/NCEZID/DPEI); Loke, Ryan; Noggle, Caylee; Hunter, David W. (CDC/DDPHSIS/CPR/DSLRL); Kim, Yoon (CDC/OCOO/OFR/OPPC); Caudill, Motria (ATSDR/DCHI/CB); Rustin, Chris; Greco Kone, Rebecca (CDC/DDPHSIS/OD); McGrier, Angelica; Luna-Pinto, S. Carolina (CDC/DDID/NCEZID/DPEI); Honein, Margaret (Peggy) (CDC/DDNID/NCBDDD/DBDID)

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**Subject:** CDC Lab Assistance for Georgia discussion

**When:** Wednesday, May 20, 2020 11:00 AM-12:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

**Where:** Skype Meeting

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Dear colleagues,

My name is Sooji Lee and I am with the CDC COVID-19 Health Dept Task Force, serving as the health department liaison for Region 4. As Georgia Dept of Public Health (GDPH) continues to expand testing capabilities for COVID-19, GDPH is focusing on long-term, sustainable strategies to increase the state's lab capacities. This call is with GDPH and CDC to discuss the current situation and better understand how CDC can be the most helpful. Please see Skype call information below.

For background purposes, GDPH is requesting consideration of one or more of the following from CDC:

1. Can the CDC provide additional laboratory space and technicians to process 2000 specimens/per day?
2. If space and technicians are not available collectively, can the CDC provide the following technical/non-technical positions to augment GPHL's current workforce in our existing lab space?
  - Laboratory Technician
  - Laboratory Technologist (proficient in molecular testing)
  - Laboratory Supervisor (proficient in molecular testing)
3. If staff are not available, can the CDC provide the Department of Public Health's laboratory staff access to dedicated molecular laboratory facilities equipped to support COVID-19 testing?
4. If existing CDC space cannot be shared, can the CDC provide the following equipment on loan to the State of Georgia for a period of time (perhaps the next 120 days)?
  - Liquid Handlers (qty 2)
  - High Throughput Extraction Platforms (qty 2)
  - RT-PCR Platforms (qty 4)
5. If the CDC is unable to accommodate the above 4 requests, can the CDC manufacture Viral Transport Media for the State of Georgia according to the distributed CDC VTM protocol?

Many thanks,  
Sooji

Sooji Lee, MSPH  
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**Subject:** RE: INVITE: Governor-Only Briefing Call/VTC with the President, First Lady, Vice President, on Monday May 18 at 4:00 p.m. ET

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Good afternoon,

As a reminder for the VTC option, please join 30 minutes prior to ensure there are no technical issues and the call starts on time. Please keep in mind your screen is visible to all Situation Room participants for the entirety of the call.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,

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### **Briefing Call/VTC Details**

- **Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020
- **Time:** 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time
- **Expected Length:** 60-90 minutes
  - ***Please communicate if your governor is expected to be late or depart early from the call.***
- **Governors Spouses:** Governors spouses are also invited to the briefing. Please indicate if they plan to join in the RSVP.
- **Federal Participants:** President Donald Trump, First Lady Melania Trump, Vice President Mike Pence & Senior Administration Officials.
- **Reminder Governors (i.e., one call-in per state):** Participation in this call is for governors and their spouse only, but we encourage governors and their spouse to be joined by their respective state health officer, homeland security advisor, emergency manager, state economic development director, state workforce director, human services director, other key state leaders in the State's response and re-opening efforts to COVID-19. Interactions will be limited only to governors, first spouses, and Federal leaders.
- **Video Teleconference Option:** FEMA has reached out to every state emergency manager and we know most states have VTC capabilities at your state emergency operations center. We can provide you details on your state VTC capabilities upon request. If you are interested in joining through VTC please indicate so in the RSVP.

### **RSVP & Call-In/VTC Information – Deadline to RSVP is Saturday, May 16 at 5:00 p.m. ET**

To RSVP your governor, email please email me ([Ariella.M.Campana@who.eop.gov](mailto:Ariella.M.Campana@who.eop.gov)) by **no later than Saturday, May 16 at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time**. Once you RSVP your governor, you will receive a call-in information link and guidance. VTC guidance will be provided upon request.

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### Read Ahead Document

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Good evening –

I'm currently working on the contracts with AU and will serve as lead on those going forward. We have notified AU leadership that plans beyond May 31 are not known and we may begin to stand down those SPOCS. We should have a recommendation ready later this week. We also continue to negotiate the contract for lab testing.

Thanks-

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Dear Colleague:

Today, HHS Secretary Azar released a strongly worded [statement](#) to the World Health Assembly, noting “a failure by this organization to obtain the information that the world needed, and that failure cost many lives.”

On Friday, [an important RFI \(Request for Information\)](#) was released asking for input from external audiences on HHS ASPR’s proposed strategy and structure of the Strategic National Stockpile, particularly the role of public-private partnerships in making sure the nation has the right items and quantities accessible for SNS 2.0. Input is also being sought to understand the constraints associated with meeting pandemic demand and how the U.S. Government can contribute to improving supply availability. Responses are due by 5/29 at 2pm. Many of you have expertise that should be shared so we can learn from this pandemic and be better situated for the future.

Today, HHS ASPR notified State Health Officers and other stakeholders that Gilead plans to provide an additional donation of remdesivir in June, taking the total supply of remdesivir up from 607,000 vials to a total of 940,000 vials. This is very good news.

### **Testing**

**First At-Home Testing Kit Authorized:** FDA [Authorizes First Standalone At-Home Sample Collection Kit That Can Be Used at Multiple Authorized Labs](#). The FDA issued an [emergency use authorization \(EUA\) to Everlywell, Inc.](#) for the Everlywell COVID-19 Test Home Collection Kit. Everlywell’s kit is authorized to be used by individuals at home who have been screened using an online questionnaire that is reviewed by a health care provider. This allows an individual to self-collect a nasal sample at home using Everlywell’s authorized kit. The FDA has also authorized two COVID-19 diagnostic tests, performed at specific laboratories, for use with samples collected using the Everlywell COVID-19 Test Home Collection Kit. These tests have been authorized under separate, individual EUAs. Additional tests may be authorized for use with the Everlywell at-home collection kit in the future, provided data are submitted in an EUA request that demonstrate the accuracy of each test when used with the Everlywell at-home collection kit.

**Primer on Testing Basics:** The FDA issued a [Consumer Update, Coronavirus Testing Basics](#), to provide information about the different types of tests available and the steps involved in obtaining results. The fact sheet describes the different types of tests, outlines what they do, how long it takes to get results and the limitations of each test. A diagnostic test can show if you have an active coronavirus infection and should take steps to quarantine or isolate yourself from others. An antibody test looks for antibodies that are made by the immune system in response to a threat, such as a specific virus. Because of this, antibody tests should not be used to diagnose an active coronavirus infection. At this time researchers do not know if the presence of antibodies means that you are immune to the coronavirus in the future.

**Information on Serology Surveillance:** CDC updated their information on [COVID-19 Serology Surveillance](#). CDC is working with state, local, territorial, academic, and commercial partners to better understand COVID-19 in the United States. Serology tests look for antibodies in blood. If antibodies are found, that means there has been a previous

infection. Antibodies are proteins that can fight off infections. The webpage includes information about CDC serology surveillance, serology surveillance surveys and information on COVID-19 testing.

**Information on Serology Surveillance Strategy:** CDC released new information on their [COVID-19 Serology Surveillance Strategy](#). CDC has an overarching strategy for learning more about how many people have been infected with SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, and how it is spreading through the U.S. population. This strategy includes using serology testing for surveillance to better understand how many infections with SARS-CoV-2 have occurred: At different points in time, In different locations, and Within different populations in the United States. A key CDC priority is to track COVID-19 infections to determine how much of the U.S. population is infected over time. CDC uses a variety of surveillance systems to track COVID-19 cases based on people who seek medical care. However, these systems can miss infections that occur in people who had mild or asymptomatic illness (i.e., no signs or symptoms) who did not seek medical care or get tested.

**Different Seroprevalence Survey Types:** CDC released information on [Seroprevalence Survey Types](#). CDC is collaborating with public health and private partners on a variety of surveys of different sizes, locations, populations studied, and purposes. By using seroprevalence surveys, CDC can learn about the total number of people that have been infected, including those infections that might have been missed. These surveys also can help estimate how much of the population has not yet been infected, helping public health officials plan for future healthcare needs. These surveys can also track how infections progress through the population over time. This is done by taking “snap shots” of the percentage of people who have antibodies against SARS-CoV-2 (also called the seroprevalence) at different time points. The seroprevalence surveys CDC is conducting include large-scale geographic surveys, community level surveys, and smaller-scale surveys focusing on specific populations in order to learn information about COVID-19.

**Updated Information on Contact Tracing:** CDC updated their information in their [Contact Tracing Protocol](#) and their [Contact Tracing Training](#). The protocol includes all of the contact tracer learning objectives, sample learning plans, and other resources. The sample training plan includes training topics that may be helpful for state and local public health jurisdictions to consider when designing their own training plans for COVID-19 contact tracers, case investigators, and team leads. Suggested training modalities/formats are provided, as well as information about sample existing trainings and resources. This site may be updated as new resources become available. After completing all training with the training plans, learners should be able to conduct contact tracing, case investigation or supervision of contact tracers or case investigators according to the established protocol.

**Testing updates:** During the COVID-19 pandemic, the FDA has worked with more than 400 test developers who have already submitted or said they will be submitting EUA requests to the FDA for tests that detect the virus or antibodies to the virus. To date, the FDA has authorized 100 tests under EUAs, which include 87 molecular tests, 12 antibody tests, and 1 antigen test.

## **Treatment**

1. **Updates for Children and Multi-Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C):** CDC released a health advisory for [Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children \(MIS-C\) Associated with Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#). The webpage includes 1) background information on several cases of a recently reported multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C) associated with coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); and 2) a case definition for this syndrome. CDC recommends healthcare providers report any patient who meets the case definition to local, state, and territorial health departments to enhance knowledge of risk factors, pathogenesis, clinical course, and treatment of this syndrome. Related to MIS-C, CDC update their information and webpage on [Caring for Children](#) with the warning signs on when to seek pediatric care, added an FAQ on what is MIS-C and who is at risk in the [COVID-19 and Children](#) webpage, and added new sections on the webpages with [information for pediatric healthcare providers](#) and [clinical care guidance for healthcare professionals](#) about COVID-19.

**Role of Public-Private Partnerships to Defeat COVID-19:** NIH Director Dr. Collins and Johnson & Johnson executives published an article in JAMA today on [Accelerating COVID-19 Therapeutic Interventions and Vaccines \(ACTIV\)](#). In it, they note that to respond to the generational public health crisis caused by the global COVID-19 pandemic, a swift, coordinated effort across many sectors of society is necessary, say National Institutes of Health (NIH) Director Francis S. Collins, M.D., Ph.D., and Johnson & Johnson Vice Chairman of the Executive Committee and Chief Scientific Officer Paul Stoffels, M.D. Drs. Collins and Stoffels outline the innovative efforts of Accelerating COVID-19 Therapeutic Interventions and Vaccines (ACTIV), a public-private initiative organized by NIH and the Foundation for the NIH. ACTIV's partners, which include at least 18 leading biopharmaceutical companies, multiple U.S. federal agencies, and the European Medicines Agency, are developing an international strategy for an integrated research response to COVID-19.

**FDA Role and Progress in the Pandemic:** The FDA issued an updated [At-A-Glance](#) that provides a quick look at facts, figures and highlights of agency's response efforts. Major focus areas of the FDA's response include increasing the availability of testing, therapeutics, and devices such as ventilators and personal protective equipment, and many other important items necessary for the response. The FDA is also monitoring the human and animal food supply and taking swift action on fraudulent COVID-19 products.

**FDA Resources:** The FDA has also published and continues to update [extensive resources on COVID-19 and medical devices](#) to help answer questions. In addition, the FDA published [Contacts for Medical Devices During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#), a detailed list of email addresses that may be used to ask questions about COVID-19 related to specific devices, Emergency Use Authorizations (EUAs) or guidance documents today.

**Clinical Guidance Updates:** CDC updated their information on [Interim Clinical Guidance for Management of Patients with Confirmed Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\)](#). The updates include new information for pediatric management as well as information about COVID-19-associated hypercoagulability and updates and resources to include new NIH treatment guidelines.

**Sepsis and COVID-19:** ASPR published a blog on [Raising Awareness: Many Roads Lead to Sepsis, Even for COVID-19 Patients](#). The blog discusses why the timely recognition and treatment of sepsis—whether bacterial or viral—is key to saving lives. The blog also highlights the interception of sepsis and COVID-19, a BARDA-sponsored partnership to develop a diagnostic for viral sepsis, a BARDA-sponsored hand-held ultrasound system to diagnose pneumonia, and announcement of FDA EUA authorization for a BARDA-supported rapid diagnostic test.

**Expanding Remote Monitoring Capabilities:** The FDA issued an [EUA for the G Medical VSMS ECG Patch](#) intended to be used by health care professionals in the hospital setting for remote monitoring of the QT interval of an electrocardiogram (ECG) in general care patients who are 18 years of age or older and are undergoing treatment for COVID-19 with drugs that can prolong QT intervals (measurements used to evaluate some of the electrical properties of the heart) and may cause life-threatening arrhythmias (such as, hydroxychloroquine or chloroquine, especially when used in combination with azithromycin). The VSMS Patch is not intended for use on critical care patients. Such remote monitoring may reduce health care professional exposure to SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19.

**Updates on Information for Researchers Conducting Clinical Trials:** The FDA added more content to the question-and-answer appendix in its guidance titled "[Conduct of Clinical Trials of Medical Products during COVID-19 Public Health Emergency](#)." The new content includes information on reporting serious adverse events (SAEs) among patients with COVID-19 in certain clinical trials that are not focused on developing COVID-19 therapeutics.

**Administering Naloxone During the Pandemic:** CDC released information on how to [safely administer naloxone](#) during the COVID-19 pandemic. The fact sheet includes steps to respond to a suspected opioid overdose while reducing risk of COVID-19 exposure and the recommended PPE based on the situation.

**Information on Alternative Care Sites:** ASPR's Technical Resources, Assistance Center, Information Exchange (TRACIE), in partnership with the HHS/FEMA Healthcare Resilience Task Force, opened registration for its May 22 webinar:



[“Funding Sources for the Establishment and Operationalization of Alternate Care Sites.”](#) Alternate Care Sites (ACSs) are one of many alternate care strategies intended to provide additional hospital surge capacity and capability for communities overwhelmed by COVID-19 patients. ACS can be established by an individual hospital, a group or partnership of hospitals or health systems, a local or state health department, or the federal government.

**Warning Against Fraudulent Actors:** The FDA and Federal Trade Commission (FTC) issued warning letters to two companies for selling fraudulent COVID-19 products, as part of the agency’s effort to protect consumers. There are currently no FDA-approved products to prevent or treat COVID-19. Consumers concerned about COVID-19 should consult with their health care provider. The first seller warned, [Benjamin McEvoy](#), participates in the Amazon Associates program. As an Amazon associate, the company earns commissions by promoting the sale of products, including dietary supplements, on the company’s website, with misleading claims that the products can mitigate, prevent, treat, diagnose or cure COVID-19 in people. The second seller warned, [White Eagle Native Herbs](#), offers herbal products for sale in the U.S. with misleading claims that the products are safe and/or effective for the treatment and prevention of COVID-19.

## **PPE Updates**

**State-by-State PPE Data:** FEMA released [State-by-State PPE Data](#) which outlines how many respirators, surgical masks, face shields, surgical gowns, gloves, ventilators and federal medical station beds that FEMA, HHS, and private sector have coordinated the delivery of or are shipping to states. The data in the tables below are separate from the supplies delivered through Project Airbridge.

**Expanding the Supply Chain:** FEMA released a new fact sheet on [COVID-19 Pandemic: Supply Chain Expansion Line of Effort](#). Manufacturing expansion is one part of a four-pronged supply chain stabilization approach for the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic response. The expansion line of effort is focused on increasing manufacturing production capacity of critical medical supplies and equipment needed to defeat the pandemic and make our Nation stronger and better prepared for future needs. The Supply Chain Task Force works with U.S. manufacturing companies to rapidly increase supply, expand domestic production of critical resources and to also increase long-term supply through two approaches: Increasing existing traditional medical supply and equipment manufacturing capabilities; and Exploring creative opportunities within the private sector to boost manufacturing capacity of critical medical supplies using non-traditional manufacturers. The fact sheet details the different avenues for manufacturing expansion.

## **Reopening America**

**CDC Role in the Pandemic and for Opening Up America Again:** CDC released an updated document on [CDC Activities and Initiatives for COVID-19](#). This document briefly summarizes CDC’s initiatives, activities, and tools in support of the Whole-of-Government response to COVID-19. It includes an overview of CDC’s Surveillance and Control Goals and Activities. The principal objectives of COVID-19 surveillance are to monitor the spread and intensity of the pandemic, to enable contact tracing to slow transmission, and to identify disease clusters requiring special intervention. Secondary objectives include understanding the severity and spectrum of disease, identifying risk factors for and methods of preventing infection, and producing data essential for forecasting. In addition to tracking the disease itself, monitoring of healthcare capacity and essential supplies through the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) is critical to ensure adequacy of care.

**CMS Guidance for Reopening Nursing Homes:** CMS released new guidance for states and local officials to [ensure safe reopening of nursing homes across the country](#). The guidance details critical steps nursing homes and communities should take prior to relaxing restrictions implemented to prevent the spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), including rigorous infection prevention and control, adequate testing, and surveillance. The vulnerable nature of the nursing home population requires aggressive efforts to limit COVID-19 exposure and to prevent the spread within facilities. The recommendations issued today would allow states to make sure nursing homes are continuing to take the appropriate and necessary steps to ensure resident safety and are opening their doors when the time is right. This also serves to help states and nursing homes reunite families with their loved ones in a safe, phased manner. CMS is recommending that nursing homes do not advance through any phases of reopening or relax any restrictions until all

residents and staff have received results from a baseline test. In addition, CMS recommends that state survey agencies inspect nursing homes that experienced a significant COVID-19 outbreak prior to reopening. Finally, CMS recommends that nursing homes remain in the current state of highest restriction even when a community begins to relax restrictions for other businesses, and should be among the last to reopen within the community, to ensure safety of the residents.

### **Information for Specific Populations**

**CMS Blanket Waivers:** CMS updated their list of [COVID-19 Emergency Declaration Blanket Waivers for Health Care Providers](#). The updates include modifications to information for hospitals, CAHs, psychiatric hospitals, Cancer Centers and Long-Term Care Hospitals on physical location as well as updates on ambulance services.

**Information for Wildland Firefighters:** CDC has published [FAQs for Wildland Firefighters](#) as part of its information for [First Responders and Law Enforcement](#). During fire season, members of each fire crew module should make an effort to operate and isolate as a unit. Crews should not interchange personnel or equipment between units (when possible) and should limit the number of personnel who must interact with people in the community. When personnel arrive to their duty stations, it is recommended that management provide separate spaces for the personnel to socially distance themselves from others on their crew for 14 days, if possible. After the initial 14-day period is over, fire crews and modules who work together and do not have regular interactions with other people can isolate as a unit.

**Checklist for Homeless Service Providers:** CDC released a [Checklist for Homeless Service Providers During Community Re-Opening](#). Across the United States, some states and local areas are preparing to reopen businesses and community centers after closing. Even if COVID-19 cases have decreased in your area, quick spread of this disease in homeless shelters or encampments is possible. Protection of clients and staff remains necessary. During this time, continue to refer to the guidance for [homeless service providers](#) and [unsheltered homelessness](#). This checklist was designed to provide homeless service providers – many of whom have remained open during the COVID-19 pandemic – with a reminder of important considerations for service delivery as the surrounding community reopens.

**Testing in Animals:** CDC, in collaboration with USA released information on [Testing for COVID-19 in Animals](#). Generally, routine testing of animals is not recommended. The decision to test an animal (including companion animals, livestock, and wild or zoo animals) should be agreed upon using a One Health approach between appropriate local, state, and/or federal public health and animal health officials. This document provides recommendations to guide priorities for animal SARS-CoV-2 testing given limited resources. Veterinarians are strongly encouraged to rule out other, more common causes of illness in animals before considering SARS-CoV-2 testing.

**National EMS Week:** This week is National [Emergency Medical Services](#) personnel week, celebrating emergency medical technicians and paramedics. HHS Secretary Azar noted: “Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have been especially grateful for EMS personnel, who define what it means to be on the frontlines of our response. Emergency medical technicians and paramedics have stepped up to the challenge, serving Americans in need and often putting their own lives at risk to help preserve the health of others.”

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Hi Commissioner Toomey and Ryan,

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Randy and team,

Thanks for your follow up and we likewise look forward to getting back into the routine this Friday! Absolutely fine with us to loop in Treasury for the discussion. We'll be ready to cover these topics and anything additional you would like to discuss – we'll take your lead. Thanks again and see you Friday.

Best,

Blake

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Blake,



Thank you for the e-mail, it's great to hear from you. We are still digging out from COVID-related items ourselves (and will continue to do so for a long time as I'm sure you will), but are itching to get back to work on Georgia's waiver, so this was perfect timing.

I very carefully read your e-mail questions as well as the attached explanation of GA's reinsurance waiver funding approach and answers to additional questions we had posed earlier. I believe the attachment answers a lot of our questions regarding the funding source for the reinsurance program as well as Governor Kemp's authority to direct funding to the program through the budget process, but we will come back with any follow-up questions on that.

With respect to the partial waiver of 36B, I think that would work and lines up with our thinking. I'll note that CA, MN, MD, and maybe a couple of other states have instituted their own state premium subsidies in various ways and, to my knowledge, haven't had issues with IRS implementing the employer mandate. Of course these are SBE states, so they are taking on administration of APTCs themselves, but they still interact with IRS on the mandate penalty in the same/similar manner to the FFE. Some of your other questions would be more properly answered by Treasury, but my team should also have some of those operational answers regarding the interaction of the exchange with IRS during tax season in determination of the mandate penalty. To drive for answers, we can forward your questions to our Treasury counterparts and include them in our next workgroup call if that works.

Friday at 10am seems as good a time as any, and should still work for us. (Plus it gives me something to look forward to at the end of the week.) If you're amenable, let's shoot to meet next Friday May 22, at 10am over Zoom.

Thanks for re-upping this important project, and we look forward to getting back into the groove with y'all.

Thanks,

Randy

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Good morning Randy and team,

We hope you are all doing well! Thank you again for your ongoing commitment to supporting Georgia with our 1332 Waiver. We appreciated talking with you a couple weeks ago on the options and flexibilities the state may have, and we



look forward to re-establishing a regular cadence of meetings. Our previous meeting time of Fridays at 10am works well for our team if it still works well for you.

I am attaching a write-up of our proposed approach for the reinsurance program and the budgetary timelines which we discussed on the phone. We have also included answers to the questions Lina sent over previously.

We are also interested in exploring the option of implementing the Georgia Access Model as originally envisioned and leaving the IRS's ability to collect the Employer Penalty intact. Would you be able to help us answer the following questions?

1. Would it be possible to partially waive 36b to allow for a state subsidy but leave the employer mandate intact for the IRS to administer under the Georgia Access Model? How would the State have to alter its original waiver submission to accomplish this?
2. To help us understand the current process, can you address the following questions:
  - a. When does the IRS calculate and implement the employer penalty? It is our understanding this happens during tax filing for the previous year (e.g., during 2020 tax filing, they calculate it for the 2019 plan year).
  - b. How does the IRS identify and validate employed individuals who received APTCs/PTCs for purposes of the employer penalty?
  - c. Does the IRS collect data from States/Healthcare.gov to determine the employer penalty? If so, what is the data and when/how is it provided?

Thanks again for your continued work with us and thanks for your patience over the last several weeks. We are excited to continue to move forward with you all.

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Would 11:00 AM ET or 3:00 PM ET work for you all?

Please let us know as soon as possible.

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**Billing Codes for Medicare COVID-19 Diagnostic Tests:** CMS updated their [guidance on billing codes for tests](#) to include payment details for additional CPT codes. Earlier this year, CMS took action to ensure America's patients, health care

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**Testing updates:** During the COVID-19 pandemic, the FDA has worked with more than 400 test developers who have already submitted or said they will be submitting EUA requests to the FDA for tests that detect the virus or antibodies to the virus. To date, the FDA has authorized 103 tests under EUAs, which include molecular tests, 12 antibody tests, and 1 antigen test.

## **Treatment**

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**Remdesivir Information:** FDA updated their [FAQs on Remdesivir](#). The updated information includes clarifications on dosing amounts for certain hospitalized COVID-19 patients.

**Warning to Fraudulent Companies:** The FDA issued warning letters to two companies for selling fraudulent COVID-19 products, as part of the agency's effort to protect consumers. There are currently no FDA-approved products to prevent or treat COVID-19. Consumers concerned about COVID-19 should consult with their health care provider. The first seller warned, [Noetic Nutraceuticals](#), offers CBD products for sale in the U.S. with misleading claims that the products are safe and/or effective for the prevention and treatment of COVID-19. The second seller warned, [The Golden Road Kratom](#), offers kratom products for sale in the U.S. with misleading claims that the products are safe and/or effective for the prevention and treatment of COVID-19.

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**Optimizing PPE Supply:** CDC updated information on their webpage with [Strategies to Optimize the Supply of PPE and Equipment](#). In addition to the conventional, contingency and crisis capacity, CDC has included information on surge capacity as well. The page includes information on how to manage supply of eye protection, isolation gowns, gloves, facemasks, N95 respirators, powered air purifying respirators, elastomeric respirators and ventilators.

## **Information for Specific Populations**

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**Information on Managing Workplace Fatigue:** CDC updated their information on [What Workers and Employers Can Do to Manage Workplace Fatigue during COVID-19](#). The webpage includes information on improving sleep, recognizing and managing signs of fatigue and resources on fatigue and workplace safety.

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### **Research**

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Stay safe. Any questions, email [Darcie.Johnston@hhs.gov](mailto:Darcie.Johnston@hhs.gov).

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Good morning,

Yesterday, President Trump signed an [executive order](#) to slash red tape in order to revitalize the economy and get Americans back to work.

- President Trump and his Administration have taken over **600 regulatory actions to combat the coronavirus**, including suspensions, waivers, and enforcement discretions.
- The President is directing agencies to use all emergency authorities to identify regulations that can be withdrawn or waived to promote job creation and economic growth.
- President Trump has long made deregulation a major pillar of his pro-growth policies, this order will empower small businesses and entrepreneurs as they recover from the impact of the coronavirus, create jobs, and jumpstart the economy.
- The President's order also establishes a "Regulatory Bill of Rights," a set of 10 basic principles of fairness to govern the administrative enforcement and adjudication process and to give businesses the confidence they need to invest and grow as we recover as a nation.

President Trump also [announced the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program](#). This \$19 billion program will support our nation's agricultural producers, maintain the health of our critical food supply chains, and provide food assistance to American families.

**Today, the President holds a conference call with the National Hispanic Community at 12:30pm ET. The President later participates in a meeting with Governor Asa Hutchinson of Arkansas and Governor Laura Kelly of Kansas at 4:00pm ET. White House Press Secretary Kayleigh McEnany holds a briefing at 3:00pm ET.**

### **Additional Guidance (as of 5.19, 5 p.m.):**

- **WH** - Readout from the Governors Briefing on COVID-19 Response & Ensuring the Well-Being of All Americans ([Click here](#))
- **HHS** - HHS, Industry Partners Expand U.S.-Based Pharmaceutical Manufacturing for COVID-19 Response ([Click here](#))
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- **CDC** - HHS Delivers Funding to Expand Testing Capacity for States, Territories, Tribes ([Click here](#))
- **CDC** - Information for Pediatric Healthcare Providers – Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C) ([Click here](#))
- **CMS** - Trump Administration Issues Guidance to Ensure States Have a Plan in Place to Safely Reopen Nursing Homes ([Click here](#))
- **CMS** - May 19 News Alert ([Click here](#))
- **FDA** - May 18 Daily Roundup ([Click here](#))
- **FDA** - FDA Collaborations Promote Rigorous Analyses of Real-World Data to Inform Pandemic Response ([Click here](#))
- **NIH** - NIH-funded study to investigate pregnancy outcomes resulting from COVID-19 pandemic ([Click here](#))

- **DHS-FEMA** - COVID-19 Pandemic: Supply Chain Expansion Line of Effort ([Click here](#))
- **DHS-CISA** - Guidelines for Executives: 911 Center Pandemic Recommendations ([Click here](#))
- **DHS-CISA** - Guidelines for 911 Centers: Pandemic Planning ([Click here](#))
- **DHS-CISA** - Guidelines for 911 Centers: Pandemic Operating Procedures ([Click here](#))
- **DHS-CISA** - Guidelines for 911 Centers: Cleaning and Disinfecting During a Pandemic ([Click here](#))
- **Treasury** - Treasury is Delivering Millions of Economic Impact Payments by Prepaid Debit Card ([Click here](#))
- **Federal Reserve** - Testimony by Chair Powell on the Federal Reserve's response to the coronavirus and the CARES Act ([Click here](#))
- **ED** - Fact Sheet: Addressing the Risk of COVID-19 While Serving Migratory Children ([Click here](#))
- **USDA** - USDA Approves Program to Feed Kids in Colorado, Missouri, and Wyoming ([Click here](#))
- **USDA** - USDA Announces Details of Direct Assistance to Farmers through the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program ([Click here](#))
- **DOL** - U.S. Department of Labor Offers Fraud Prevention Resources To Enhance Integrity of Unemployment Insurance Programs ([Click here](#))
- **DOL** - U.S. Department of Labor Adopts Revised Enforcement Policies For Coronavirus ([Click here](#))
- **DOC** - Op-Ed by Commerce Secretary Wilbur L. Ross: 3 Factors Why This Economic Bounceback Won't Mirror 2008 ([Click here](#))
- **DOJ** - Texas Man Charged with \$5 Million COVID-Relief Fraud ([Click here](#))
- **DOD** - Spangdahlem Firefighters Tame the COVID-19 Flames ([Click here](#))
- **DOD** - Sailors Keep Skills Sharp During COVID-19 ([Click here](#))
- **DOD** - Army Corps of Engineers Helps Montana Prepare for COVID-19 Future ([Click here](#))
- **VA** - VA lead facilities reintroduce health care services while ensuring safe environment ([Click here](#))

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## Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic: Whole-of-America Response

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Topline messaging includes:

- On **May 19**, [President Trump announced](#) efforts to support the nation's farmers, ranchers and food supply chain.
  - The [USDA announced](#) details of the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program, which will provide up to \$16 billion in direct payments to deliver relief to America's farmers and ranchers impacted by COVID-19.
  - Additionally, the USDA Farmers to Families Food Box program is partnering with regional and local distributors, whose workforces have been significantly impacted by the closure of many restaurants, hotels, and other food service entities, to purchase \$3 billion in fresh produce, dairy, and meat and deliver boxes to Americans in need.
- This week, the CDC published a document summarizing [CDC Activities and Initiatives Supporting the COVID-19 Response and the President's Plan for Opening America Up Again](#). This document lays out



approaches that state, local, territory and tribal authorities as well as businesses, and other institutions can use to assess when to move from one phase to another.

- On **May 19**, [HHS announced](#) a partnership with a team of private industry partners, led by Phlow Corporation, to expand pharmaceutical manufacturing in the United States for use in producing medicines needed during the COVID-19 response and future public health emergencies.
  - The team will provide immediate, U.S.-based capacity to produce the active pharmaceutical ingredients and the chemical compounds for those ingredients to make critical medicines to help alleviate or prevent drug shortages during the pandemic.
- As of **May 19**, FEMA, HHS, and the private sector combined have coordinated the delivery of or are currently shipping: 83.8 million N95 respirators, 133.7 million surgical masks, 12 million face shields, 25.2 million surgical gowns, and 989.4 million gloves.
- FEMA has procured and delivered 67.3 million swabs and 3.9 million units of media so far in the month of May. In support of the White House Task Force's testing initiative, FEMA is procuring specimen collection supplies to supplement the supplies states and healthcare providers are procuring from the private market.
- As of **May 19**, CDC, state, and local public health labs and other laboratories have tested more than 11.2 million samples.
  - As of **May 18**, the FDA has issued 103 individual [emergency use authorizations](#) (EAU) for test kit manufacturers and laboratories, including 12 antibody tests and 1 antigen test.

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# Pandemic Operational Guidance for 2020 Hurricane Season

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FEMA releases the [COVID-19 Pandemic Operational Guidance for the 2020 Hurricane Season](#) to help emergency managers and public health officials better prepare for all-hazards disasters, while continuing to respond to and recover from the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Private sector and non-governmental organizations can use this guidance to gain understanding of the federal government's posture, as well as associated planning and readiness efforts.

## Response and Recovery Operations Amid Pandemic

The guide outlines for emergency managers and public officials, the key actions they can take to prepare for response and recovery operations during ongoing COVID-19 pandemic response efforts. Specifically, the guidance:

- Outlines funding of Emergency Protective Measures by state;
- Describes anticipated challenges to disaster operations;
- Highlights planning considerations for emergency managers based on current challenges;
- Outlines how FEMA plans to adapt response and recovery operations;
- Creates a shared understanding of expectations between FEMA and emergency managers; and,

- Provides guidance, checklists, and resources to support response and recovery planning.

While aspects of FEMA program delivery are different this year, FEMA does not anticipate major changes in program eligibility, timeliness of grant awards, or level of assistance provided under the Individual and Households Program.

Readers can apply planning considerations identified in the guidance to any disaster operation during the COVID-19 pandemic, including no-notice incidents.

Pandemic and hurricane responses are locally executed, state-managed, and federal supported. This guide reinforces this shared understanding among federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial partners. As a result, the nation will be better positioned to achieve operational outcomes in disaster response and recovery efforts.

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Dear Colleague:

Another full day of COVID-19 news for you.

### **Funding**

**\$225 Million for COVID-19 Testing in Rural Communities:** HRSA provided [\\$225 million to Rural Health Clinics \(RHCs\) for COVID-19 testing](#). These investments go to over 4,500 RHCs across the country to support COVID-19 testing efforts and expand testing access in rural communities. Rural Health Clinics are a special designation given to health care practices in underserved rural areas by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) that help ensure access to care for rural residents. This funding is through the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act that President Trump signed into law on Friday, April 24, 2020 which specifically directed these monies to be allocated to RHCs. HRSA funded RHC organizations based on the number of certified clinic sites they operate, providing nearly \$50,000 per clinic site. To view a state-by-state breakdown of this funding, visit: <https://www.hrsa.gov/rural-health/coronavirus/rural-health-clinics-covid-19-testing-fy20-awards>

**Provider Relief Fund Updates:** HHS released information on the [Provider Relief Fund deadline for submitting revenue information](#). HHS is reminding eligible providers that they have until **June 3, 2020**, to accept the Terms and Conditions and submit their revenue information to support receiving an additional payment from the Provider Relief Fund \$50 billion General Distribution. All providers who automatically received an additional General Distribution payment prior to 5:00 pm, Friday, April 24th, must provide HHS with an accounting of their annual revenues by submitting tax forms or financial statements. These providers must also agree to the program Terms and Conditions if they wish to keep the funds. Providers who have cases pending before the department for adjudication with regard to eligibility for general distribution funding will not be impacted by this closure. All cases needing individual adjudication will need to be received by HHS no later than June 3, 2020. Additionally, HHS updated the [FAQ document](#) that addresses questions of eligibility, attestation, rejecting payments, terms and conditions, appeals, publication of payment data, funding formulas, change of ownership and other related information about each of the distributions from the Provider Relief Fund.

### **Reopening America**

**Reopening Resources for Various Sectors:** CDC released their larger [reopening guidance](#) earlier this week, and updated information and resources for [communities, schools, workplaces and events](#), [institutes of higher education](#), [businesses and workplaces](#), and [child care and youth sports](#).

**Youth and Summer Camp Information:** CDC updated their information on [considerations for youth and summer camps](#). Camp administrators can determine, in collaboration with state and local health officials, whether and how to implement these considerations, making adjustments to meet the unique needs and circumstances of the local community. Implementation should be guided by what is feasible, practical, acceptable, and tailored to the needs of

each community. These considerations are meant to supplement—not replace—any state, local, territorial, or tribal health and safety laws, rules, and regulations with which camps must comply.

**Information for Reopening Pools and Water Playgrounds:** CDC updated the information on [Considerations for Public Pools, Hot Tubs, and Water Playgrounds During COVID-19](#). Operators of public aquatic venues can consult with local officials to determine if and how to implement these considerations while adjusting them to meet the unique needs and circumstances of the local jurisdiction. Their implementation should also be informed by what is feasible, practical, and acceptable. The webpage includes information on promoting behaviors to prevent the spread of COVID-19, maintaining healthy environments, maintaining healthy operations, and preparing for when someone gets sick.

**Managing Healthcare Workforce Challenges:** ASPR released [Version 3 of the COVID-19 Workforce Virtual Toolkit](#). This collection provides a curated set of resources and tools for decision-makers managing healthcare workforce challenges in response to the COVID-19 emergency. This version includes several newly released resources and an entirely new collection titled Workforce Solutions from the Field that highlights promising practices.

## **Testing**

**Performing Testing in Nursing Homes:** CDC updated their information on [Testing Guidance for Nursing Home Residents](#) and [Considerations for Performing Facility-wide SARS-CoV-2 Testing in Nursing Homes](#). CDC has recommendations for when nursing homes should [test all residents and healthcare personnel \(HCP\) in nursing homes](#). This document describes considerations for performing facility-wide testing among nursing home residents and HCP. Facility-wide testing involves testing all residents and HCP for detection of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, and can be used to inform infection prevention and control (IPC) practices in nursing homes. This document is intended for health departments and nursing homes conducting [viral testing for current infection](#), such as reverse-transcriptase polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR).

**Testing updates:** During the COVID-19 pandemic, the FDA has worked with more than 400 test developers who have already submitted or said they will be submitting EUA requests to the FDA for tests that detect the virus or antibodies to the virus. To date, the FDA has authorized 104 tests under EUAs, which include 91 molecular tests (including [the most recent authorization for Quidel Corporation](#)), 12 antibody tests, and 1 antigen test.

## **Treatment**

**Utilizing Real World Data for Pandemic Response:** The FDA released information on [a new partnership to promote rigorous analysis of real-world data to inform the pandemic response](#). FDA has entered into an agreement with Aetion to collaborate on advanced analytical techniques to answer urgent coronavirus disease (COVID-19) research questions. The FDA and Aetion aim to answer questions about the use of diagnostics and medications in the pandemic, and risk factors for COVID-19-related complications in different patient populations. Evaluation of real-world data has the potential to provide a wealth of rapid, actionable information to better understand disease symptoms, describe and measure immunity and understand available medical product supplies to help mitigate potential shortages. These data can also inform ongoing work to evaluate potential therapies, vaccines or diagnostics for COVID-19.

**Information for Pediatric Healthcare Providers:** CDC updated their [information for Pediatric Healthcare Providers](#) with information available on children and COVID-19. Revisions were made to include current information and guidance related to multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C).

**Monitoring Nursing Home Patients:** BARDA [announced a partnership with VitalConnect](#) to monitor nursing home and COVID-19 patients for early indication of patient deterioration. BARDA is partnering with VitalConnect to assess the ability of a wearable device to remotely monitor individuals during the COVID-19 outbreak for changes in health deterioration, including but not limited to respiratory rate, body temperature, blood oxygen levels (SpO2) and heart arrhythmias, to improve patient outcomes. Nursing home patients, an at-risk population, will be continuously monitored for early indication of changes in health status or potentially inform on COVID-19 infection. In addition, in a separate

cohort, COVID-19 patients will be monitored to determine any changes in health, including QT interval changes which may require an escalation in care.

**List of Medical Devices with Emergency Use Authorization:** FDA updated their [list of medical devices authorized by the FDA for emergency use](#) during COVID-19. The list includes the names and descriptions and key information for all the molecular diagnostic and serological (antibody) tests and medical devices that have been authorized for emergency use (under an EUA).

**Expanding Ventilation Treatment Options:** The FDA approved [succinylcholine chloride injection](#) USP 200 mg/10 mL, which is indicated to facilitate tracheal intubation and to provide skeletal muscle relaxation during surgery or mechanical ventilation. Side effects of succinylcholine chloride injection include anaphylaxis, hyperkalemia, and malignant hyperthermia. FDA recognizes the increased demand for certain products during the novel coronavirus pandemic and we remain deeply committed to facilitating access to medical products to help address critical needs of the American public.

### **Information for Specific Populations**

**Information for Caregivers of People Living with Dementia:** CDC released [Additional COVID-19 Guidance for Caregivers of People Living with Dementia in Community Settings](#). If you care for someone living with dementia, it's important that you know what you can do to [protect yourself and others](#) during the COVID-19 pandemic and what additional steps you can take to protect your loved one. Additionally, caregivers should be aware of symptoms for COVID-19, and know how to take care of themselves and others

**Information for Tribal Leaders:** IHS released a letter with [information for tribal leaders](#). The letter includes funding opportunities and technical assistance, testing, supplies and contact tracing resources, guidance and other resources.

**How ACF Programs are Affected by CARES Act Income:** ACF posted a new document on [ACF programs and increased income from the CARES Act](#). It summarizes existing information from select ACF program offices regarding the treatment of (1) stimulus payments (also referred to as recovery rebates or economic impact payments) and (2) unemployment compensation provided under the CARES Act for purposes of eligibility determination in these ACF programs, or for purposes of setting and enforcing child support orders.

**Providing Groceries Through the Older Americans Act Programs:** ACL updated [information on groceries and Older Americans Act programs](#). Food insecurity was an issue prior to COVID-19, but it is an even bigger issue during the COVID-19 crisis. Fortunately, all states now have major disaster declarations (MDD) and thus have the authority to exercise maximum flexibility to feed and support older adults, and ultimately help those at highest risk stay at home during the COVID-19 crisis. The updated information includes FAQs on what constitutes a meal and what services are authorized and allowable.

**Protecting the Food Supply:** The FDA released a new document on [USDA, FDA Strengthen U.S. Food Supply Chain Protections](#). The USDA and FDA today announced a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to help prevent interruptions at FDA-regulated food facilities, including fruit and vegetable processing. The MOU creates a process for the two agencies to make determinations about circumstances in which the USDA could exercise its authority under the Defense Production Act (DPA) with regard to certain domestic food resource facilities that manufacture, process, pack, or hold foods, as well as to those that grow or harvest food that fall within the FDA's jurisdiction. While the FDA will continue to work with state and local regulators in a collaborative manner, further action under the DPA may be taken, should it be needed, to ensure the continuity of our food supply.

Thank you for your sustained efforts during this marathon to protect, treat, and help our country. Any questions, email Gary Beck at [Darcie.Johnston@hhs.gov](mailto:Darcie.Johnston@hhs.gov).

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Good morning –

There is exciting news this morning in the journey to develop and manufacture a vaccine against SARS-CoV-2. **Responding to President Trump's call to develop 300 million doses of SARS-CoV-2 vaccine by January under Operation Warp Speed, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and AstraZeneca are collaborating to make available at least 300 million doses of a coronavirus vaccine called AZD1222, with the first doses delivered as early as October 2020.** The agreement between AstraZeneca and the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA), part of the HHS office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, will accelerate the development and manufacturing of the company's investigational vaccine to begin Phase 3 clinical studies this summer with approximately 30,000 volunteers in the United States.

Under this public-private partnership, BARDA can provide up to \$1.2 billion to support, in parallel, advanced clinical studies, vaccine manufacturing technology transfer, process development, scaled-up manufacturing, and other development activities. Emergency use authorization or licensure of this vaccine from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) would be required to make the vaccine available. Early milestones enable BARDA and AstraZeneca to determine how the program progresses forward.

**“This contract with AstraZeneca is a major milestone in Operation Warp Speed's work toward a safe, effective, widely available vaccine by 2021,” said HHS Secretary Alex Azar. “Getting a vaccine to the American public as soon as possible is one part of President Trump's multi-faceted strategy for safely reopening our country and bringing life back to normal, which is essential to Americans' physical and mental well-being in so many ways. The Trump Administration is making multiple major investments in developing and manufacturing promising vaccines long before they're approved so that a successful vaccine will reach the American people without a day wasted.”**

The AZD1222 vaccine candidate, which was developed by the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom and licensed to AstraZeneca, uses a vaccine platform technology which supports large-scale production. To speed vaccine development, AstraZeneca will advance its vaccine candidate into late-stage clinical studies in parallel with scaled manufacturing at BARDA's Centers for Innovation and Advanced Development in Manufacturing (CIADM) in the United States. Working with the CIADMs enables development, technology transfer, and scaled-up manufacturing of the vaccine in the United States. A Phase 1/Phase 2 clinical study has been underway using the proposed technology in the United Kingdom since the end of April.

AZD1222 is the fourth vaccine candidate to receive BARDA support for late-stage development and manufacturing. BARDA continues to collaborate through Operation Warp Speed with other federal agencies and private industry to develop and make available vaccines, treatments and diagnostic tests to combat COVID-19. To date, BARDA is supporting 32 medical products for the pandemic response; in addition to the four vaccine candidates, these products include seven treatments, 17 diagnostic tests, a test to screen donated blood for the virus, and two rapidly deployable technologies to aid health providers with early detection of sepsis in COVID-19 patients.

Thank you for all that you are doing to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. Please don't hesitate to reach out if there are any questions.



Sincerely,  
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**Subject:** Interagency COVID-19 Response Planning Team Update, 210900MAY20

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Sir – This morning's update is outlined below.

### NO CHANGES FROM LAST EVENING'S UPDATE

**1. Testing:** We identified >100 outstanding testing requests in WEBEOC and began focusing on scheduling testing and closing out those requests. We coordinated for training on the GA DPHL testing process to be conducted by DPH for the 48<sup>th</sup> BCT MTTs on Friday, 22MAY20 – thereby preparing the GA DOD to field at least 55 teams capable of conducting testing in support of the GA DPHL process with a testing capacity for over 8,000 test/day. We also received guidance from DPH that local EMAs desiring to close their SPOC sites 23-25MAY should contact their District Health Director in order to do so.

**2. GWCC ACF-Atlanta:** NSTR

**3. Additional Augmentation Efforts:**

**Albany:** Phoebe Putney 24-bed facility is operational and currently treating COVID-19 patients at the facility.

**Rome:** Floyd Medical Center 20-bed facility. Working on updated plan for the HVAC to get the required negative air pressure for the patient rooms.

**Macon:** Navicent Medical Center 24-bed facility plans to move patients into the units next week.

**Gainesville:** North East Georgia Medical Center 20-bed facility. Finish work continues onsite. Hospital plans to move patients in on May 26. Complete updating HVAC issues later.

**4. Additional Hospital Staffing: NSTR**

Vr,

Jeff

Jeff Dickerson  
GA DOD Interagency Coordinator for COVID-19 Response  
[REDACTED]

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**Sent:** Thursday, May 21, 2020 10:29 AM  
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### TOPLINE MESSAGE

- President Trump has led a historic all of America response – securing enough ventilators for every patient who needs one, ramping up testing to meet and even exceed demand, and delivering billions of medical supplies to hard hit areas across the country.
- The American people can have confidence that President Trump is doing everything possible to keep the American people safe as states across the country move towards reopening.

### FORD VISIT

- Today, President Trump will visit the Ford Motor Company's Rawsonville manufacturing plant, which is working on the frontlines to produce ventilators and PPE.
  - Ford announced in March that it was partnering with GE to produce 50,000 ventilators in just 100 days.
- American workers across the country, just like those at the Ford plant, are stepping up to do their part in the fight against coronavirus.

### SUPPORT FOR MICHIGAN

- According to FEMA, 8.6 million N95 respirators, nearly 760,000 gloves, more than 308,000 face shields, more than 740,000 surgical masks, and 700 ventilators have been delivered to Michigan.
- Michigan's small businesses have received more than \$16.5 billion in emergency capital through the Paycheck Protection Program.

### WHO

- The President announced that if serious reforms are not made within 30 days, the U.S. will permanently cease funding to the WHO and reconsider our membership in the organization.
- The WHO has shown a clear bias toward China and repeatedly spread China's misinformation throughout the pandemic.

- President Trump will not allow American taxpayer dollars to finance an organization that is clearly not serving America's interests in its present state.

## **THERAPEUTICS AND VACCINES**

- President Trump has launched Operation Warp Speed to deliver safe and effective coronavirus treatments and vaccines as quickly as possible.
  - Operation Warp Speed aims to eliminate every last inefficiency to cut down the vaccine timeline and will continue to accelerate the development of breakthrough therapies.
- More than a dozen promising vaccine candidates have already been identified from the more than 100 currently in development.
- The Administration has provided an emergency use authorization for Remdesivir, the result of a lightning speed process to get therapeutics to patients immediately.

## **SAFELY REOPENING**

- President Trump released guidelines for Opening Up America Again to help governors begin a phased reopening when they are able.
- President Trump is empowering states to make decisions based on the situation on the ground. Each state has different needs that require a different approach.
- President Trump and his Administration will continue working every day to ensure the safety and security of Americans as we move towards a safe reopening.

## **REGULATORY RELIEF**

- President Trump signed an executive order directing agencies to swiftly identify deregulatory actions that can be taken to help spur job creation and economic growth.
- The Trump Administration has taken over 600 regulatory actions to combat the coronavirus, and is looking at whether many temporary actions can be made permanent.
- President Trump is cutting red tape and lifting the burden on businesses as we revitalize our economy and get Americans back to work.

## **HELPING UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES**

- The President hosted a meeting on Opportunity Zones this week, discussing how the Administration is helping distressed communities during this pandemic.
- At the President's direction, the White House Opportunity and Revitalization Council is refocusing its efforts on aiding underserved communities.

## **NATIONAL STOCKPILE**

- President Trump has rolled out a new plan to strengthen our strategic national stockpile and ensure we are fully prepared to meet any future challenge.
- President Trump worked with Congress to secure \$16 billion to build up the national stockpile with critical supplies, including ventilators, masks, respirators, and pharmaceuticals.

## **TESTING**

- President Trump rapidly revolutionized our testing system and scaled up testing across the country to an unprecedented level.



- Thanks to President Trump's efforts, we now have enough testing capacity to enable states to move into phase one of reopening.
- Many states are now even seeing testing capacity exceed demand.
- The Administration is sending \$11 billion to help States, territories, and tribes meet the testing goals set out by their Governors and tribal leaders.

### **MEDICAL SUPPLIES**

- President Trump has launched the largest private sector mobilization since World War II – utilizing every resource available to combat the invisible enemy.
- President Trump effectively leveraged the Defense Production Act to secure massive amounts of needed supplies from the private sector.
- Thanks to President Trump's efforts to secure ventilators, no American who has needed a ventilator has gone without one.

### **ECONOMY**

- Many Americans are hurting through no fault of their own due to the coronavirus, and President Trump is working to ensure they have the support they need.
- President Trump secured direct payments for families, expanded unemployment benefits, paused foreclosures and student loan payments, and more.
- President Trump has secured over \$650 billion from Congress for PPP, helping small businesses stay on their feet and keeping tens of millions of American workers employed.

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**Sent:** Thursday, May 21, 2020 11:55 AM  
**To:** bsymmes@governor.sc.gov;jmarsh@governor.sc.gov;kstenson@emd.sc.gov;dbecker@emd.sc.gov;mary.hudak@fema.dhs.gov;mabraham@sc.edu;ted.pitts@scchamber.net;kate.bondurant@scchamber.net [REDACTED] info@sccommerce.com;cbundy@sccommerce.com;achaffins@sccommerce.com;vwoods@mbda.gov;kcoakley@scda.sc.gov;bwalton@scda.sc.gov;ctruesd@scda.sc.gov;brenda.carlson@tx.usda.gov;larry.rogers@sc.usda.gov;jmoore@scda.sc.gov;ctruesd@scda.sc.gov;veit@clemson.edu;Sandy.cook@sc.usda.gov;alawrence@tuw.org;apcolumbia@ap.org;jkidd@saludasc.com [REDACTED];Hall, Cody;Bryson, Homer;Howden, Catherine;lisa.rodriguez-presley@gema.ga.gov;Christen.Robinson@gema.ga.gov;Uyen.Le@gema.ga.gov;aadams@georgiasbdc.org;cclark@gachamber.com;Raynor, David;Schronce, Arty G.;amy.carter@agr.georgia.gov;neal.leonard@ga.usda.gov;sharper@georgia.org;sjohnson@tcsg.edu;Murray, Emily;johns.clark@clearchannel.com;Spencer, Michael;Noelle.talley@nc.gov;Ford.Porter@nc.gov;michael.sprayberry@ncdps.gov;joe.stanton@ncdps.gov;pio@ncem.org;Keith.Acree@ncdps.gov;julia.jarema@ncdps.gov;sdaugherty@sbtcd.org;bhicks@sbtcd.org;cmclaurin@sbtcd.org;lebert@ncchamber.net;kpayne@ncchamber.net;andrea.ashby@ncagr.gov;laura.nuzi@usda.gov;eddie.woodhouse@nc.usda.gov;rtcampbe@ncsu.edu;info@nccommerce.com;beth.gargan@nccommerce.com;holly.yanker@edpnc.com;apraleigh@ap.org [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** SBA press release - SBA Virtual Disaster Loan Outreach Center for South Carolina Closed on Memorial Day  
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Good afternoon,

The Small Business Administration issued the attached press release to the media today. In observance of the Memorial Day holiday, the SBA Virtual Disaster Loan Outreach Center/Business Recovery Center (VDLOC/VBRC) will be closed on Monday, May 25 and will resume operations on Tuesday, May 26. Additionally, to date SBA has approved 25 low-interest disaster loans totaling \$1,060,000 for South Carolinians affected by severe storms, tornadoes and straight-line winds on April 12-13, 2020.

Please call if there are any questions.

Sincerely,  
Jack Camp  
Public Affairs Specialist  
Field Operations Center - East  
**U.S. Small Business Administration**  
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Cell (404) 387-2172  
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Candice – see below. Thanks!

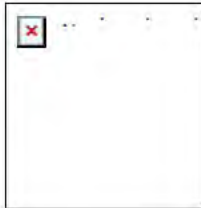
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Are you able to forward to Kemp's office? I don't have a contact.  
Thanks!

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**From:** White House: Office of the Vice President <info@mail.whitehouse.gov>  
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**To:** Placek, Robert A. III EOP/OVP <Robert.A.Placek@ovp.eop.gov>  
**Subject:** Vice President Mike Pence to Visit Georgia



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5986 Financial Drive NW

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**Subject:** Medical Facility EEI Status Report for May 21, 2020  
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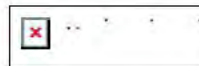
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Thanks, Dina

Dina M. Beaumont  
Advance Representative  
202-881-9841 (No Texts)

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On May 21, 2020, at 12:52 PM, Broce, Candice <candice.broce@georgia.gov> wrote:

What responsibilities will they have? Tried calling you back.

Candice L. Broce  
Director of Communications  
Chief Deputy Executive Counsel  
Office of Governor Brian P. Kemp

On May 21, 2020, at 12:44 PM, Beaumont, Dina M. EOP/WHO (Associate)  
<Dina.M.Beaumont@who.eop.gov> wrote:

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Hi Candice,

I tried to call you but got you VM. There is no room at all in this room so I only need 1 person here at Waffle House. Who should that be?

Really sorry.

Thanks, Dina

Dina M. Beaumont  
Advance Representative  
202-881-9841 (No Texts)

On May 21, 2020, at 10:51 AM, Broce, Candice  
<candice.broce@georgia.gov> wrote:

Kylie Harrod will assist at the airport.

Candice L. Broce  
Director of Communications & Chief Deputy Executive Counsel  
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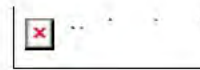
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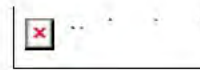
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On May 21, 2020, at 12:44 PM, Beaumont, Dina M.  
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Hi Candice,

I tried to call you but got you VM. There is no room at all in this room so I only need 1 person here at Waffle House. Who should that be?

Really sorry.

Thanks, Dina

Dina M. Beaumont  
Advance Representative  
202-881-9841 (No Texts)

On May 21, 2020, at 10:51 AM, Broce, Candice <candice.broce@georgia.gov> wrote:

Kylie Harrod will assist at the airport.

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Kylie <kylie.harrod@georgia.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Contacts

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Great. Thank you all so very much. Who is the airport helper?

I will call each of you today.

Thanks, Dina

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9:52 AM, Broce,  
Candice  
<[candice.broce@georgia.gov](mailto:candice.broce@georgia.gov)> wrote:

Dina,

We're all available tomorrow. Kylie can meet you this afternoon and tomorrow morning. We can bring in additional staff as needed.

Candice Broce [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Cody Hall [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Sunny Patel [REDACTED]

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**To:** Fleming, Tim  
**Subject:** VP Visit Tomorrow

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Hi Tim-

I am helping put together some remarks for the Vice President's visit tomorrow. Is there any way someone on your staff could provide me with a timeline of the actions Governor Kemp has taken to reopen Georgia? It would be very helpful to us.

Thank you,

Jordan Wood  
Associate Director of Speechwriting  
Office of Vice President Mike Pence  
202-881-7262



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**From:** Jeffrey Dickerson [REDACTED]  
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Vr,  
Jeff

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GA DOD Interagency Coordinator for COVID-19 Response  
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**Attachments:** May 21 20-389 GA 16465 SBA Offers Disaster Assistance.docx

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Good Afternoon,

The attached press release was issued to the media today. The declaration covers Murray County and the adjacent counties of Fannin, Gilmer, Gordon and Whitfield in **Georgia**; and Bradley and Polk in **Tennessee**.

I am the Lead PIO serving this declaration. Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can be of service in any way.



Respectfully,

**Tracy "Ray" Harbour**

Public Affairs Specialist

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Dear Colleague:

More encouraging developments on the vaccine front, detailed below.

Also, there will be no HHS COVID-19 email update tomorrow or Memorial Day, but we will be right back at it on Tuesday. Hope everyone gets some down time over the three-day weekend, ideally beyond the four walls from which you have been working!

**Acceleration of AstraZeneca Vaccine:** As part of Operation Warp Speed, BARDA within HHS is [collaborating with AstraZeneca to make at least 300 million doses of a coronavirus vaccine](#) called AZD1222, with the first doses delivered as early as October 2020. HHS will accelerate the development and manufacturing of the company's investigational vaccine to begin Phase 3 clinical studies this summer with approximately 30,000 volunteers in the United States. Under this public-private partnership, BARDA can provide up to \$1.2 billion to support, in parallel, advanced clinical studies, vaccine manufacturing technology transfer, process development, scaled-up manufacturing, and other development activities. Emergency use authorization or licensure of this vaccine from the FDA would be required to make the vaccine available. AZD1222 is the fourth vaccine candidate to receive BARDA support for late-stage development and manufacturing. BARDA continues to collaborate through Operation Warp Speed with other federal agencies and private industry to develop and make available vaccines, treatments and diagnostic tests to combat COVID-19.

### Testing

**Update on FDA Serology Tests:** FDA released information on [Promised Transparency for Antibody Tests](#). Today, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration posted a [list of antibody tests](#) that are being removed from the "notification list" of tests being offered under the [Policy for Coronavirus Disease-2019 Tests During the Public Health Emergency](#). Antibody tests on this new removal list include those voluntarily withdrawn from the notification list by the test's commercial manufacturer and those for which there is not a pending Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) request or issued EUA. FDA expects that the tests on the removal list will not be marketed or distributed. Antibody tests offered by commercial manufacturers as outlined under the policy, which was issued on March 16 and updated on May 4, continue to be located on the notification list pending review of their EUA request.

**Information on Serology Testing at CDC:** CDC updated their information on [Serology Testing for COVID-19 at CDC](#). CDC has developed a laboratory blood test to assist with efforts to determine how much of the U.S. population has been infected with SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. CDC is also using its serologic test (antibody) to evaluate the performance of commercial antibody tests. CDC's serologic test has been designed and validated for broad-based surveillance and research purposes, to provide information needed to guide the response to the pandemic and protect the public's health. This test is not currently designed for individual use, i.e., to test people who want to know if they have been previously infected with SARS-CoV-2.

**Information for Laboratories:** CDC created a page on [Publications about COVID-19 for Laboratories](#). The webpage includes a list of journal articles relevant for labs. The [FAQs for laboratories](#) was also updated with information for laboratory testing and biosafety, as well as information on the webpage with [how to report COVID-19 laboratory data](#).

**Contact Tracing Training:** CDC updated information on their Contact Tracing Plan regarding [Identifying the Primary Components of COVID-19 Case Investigation and Contact Tracing](#). The webpage Provides resources and education materials to assist with case investigation and contract tracing of COVID-19 PUI.

**Testing updates:** During the COVID-19 pandemic, the FDA has worked with more than 400 test developers who have already submitted or said they will be submitting EUA requests to the FDA for tests that detect the virus or antibodies to the virus. To date, the FDA has authorized 105 tests under EUAs, which include 92 molecular tests, 12 antibody tests, and 1 antigen test.

## **Treatment**

**Remdesivir Update:** ASPR posted a new webpage which includes [information on the remdesivir](#) allocation process and the amount of product allocated and distributed to each of the states, U.S. territories, and certain federal agencies. The remdesivir page is part of ASPR's [new section](#) on ASPR-sponsored medical countermeasures under investigation.

**Information for Inpatient Obstetric Healthcare Settings:** CDC updated information on their [Considerations for Inpatient Obstetric Healthcare Settings](#). These infection prevention and control considerations are for healthcare facilities providing obstetric care for pregnant patients with suspected<sup>1</sup> or confirmed coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in inpatient obstetric healthcare settings including obstetrical triage, labor and delivery, recovery and inpatient postpartum settings. The revisions reflect new [Evaluation and Management Considerations for Neonates At Risk for COVID-19](#) and updated [Guidance on Care for Breastfeeding Women](#).

**Information for Pediatric Healthcare Providers:** CDC updated their [information for pediatric healthcare providers](#) related to COVID-19. Earlier updates were made to include [updates to the current information on MIS-C](#) and recent updates were made to include new guidance on [Evaluation and Management Considerations for Neonates At Risk for COVID-19](#). This guidance is intended to inform healthcare providers about the diagnosis, evaluation, infection prevention and control practices, and disposition of neonates ( $\leq 28$  days old) with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 or known COVID-19 exposure, including birth to a mother with confirmed or suspected COVID-19.

**Infection and Prevention Information:** CDC updated their [Healthcare Infection Prevention and Control FAQs](#) for COVID-19. This page is for healthcare personnel who may care for patients who are confirmed with or under investigation for COVID-19 and is used to assist healthcare facilities in preventing transmission of COVID-19 in healthcare settings.

**New Isolation Chamber Treatment Authorization:** The FDA issued an [Emergency Use Authorization \(EUA\)](#) to Walter Reed National Military Medical Center for the COVID-19 Airway Management Isolation Chamber ("CAMIC") to be used by healthcare providers within the U.S. Army and Military Health System as an extra layer of barrier protection, in addition to personal protective equipment, to prevent exposure to pathogenic biological airborne particulates during transport of patients, at the time of definitive airway management, or when performing medical procedures on such patients during the COVID-19 pandemic. The CAMIC system is a barrier device constructed by draping a large clear plastic bag over a box-like frame that is placed over the head, neck, and shoulders of the patient to isolate (i.e., capture and remove) airborne particulates.

**Warning to Fraudulent Actors:** The FDA and Federal Trade Commission (FTC) issued warning letters to two companies for promoting and participating in the sale of fraudulent COVID-19 products, as part of the agency's effort to protect consumers. There are currently no FDA-approved products to prevent or treat COVID-19. Consumers concerned about COVID-19 should consult with their health care provider. The first company warned, [Life Unlearned, LLC](#), participates in the Amazon Associates program. As an Amazon associate, the company earns commissions by promoting the sale of vitamin D products with misleading claims that the products can mitigate, prevent, treat, diagnose, or cure COVID-19 in people.

The second company warned, [SpiceTac](#), participates in the Amazon Associates program. As an Amazon associate, the company earns commissions by promoting the sale of vitamin C products with misleading claims that the products can mitigate, prevent, treat, diagnose, or cure COVID-19 in people.

## **PPE**

**PPE for Nursing Homes:** FEMA updated their fact sheet on [PPE Packages for Nursing Homes](#). Nursing homes will receive two shipments with a combined total of 14 days' worth of PPE. Each facility will receive an allotment of surgical masks, gloves, goggles and other eye protection and gowns based on the medical staff size of the facility. These supplies are meant to supplement existing PPE efforts by the federal government.

## **Information for Specific Populations**

**Key Strategies for Long-Term Care Facilities:** CDC updated their resources on [Key Strategies to Prepare for COVID-19 in Long-term Care Facilities](#). Given the high risk of spread once COVID-19 enters a LTCF, facilities must act immediately to protect residents, families, and staff from serious illness, complications, and death. The strategies include keeping COVID-19 from entering your facility, identifying infections early, preventing the spread, assessing supply of PPE and identifying and managing severe illness.

**COVID-19 and Children:** CDC has created [recommendations to help adults have conversations with children about COVID-19](#) and ways they can avoid getting and spreading the disease. The messages are for parents, school staff, and others working with children. Children may worry about themselves, their family, and friends getting ill with COVID-19. Parents, family members, school staff, and other trusted adults can play an important role in helping children make sense of what they hear in a way that is honest, accurate, and minimizes anxiety or fear. Similarly, CDC updated their webpage on [Caring for Children](#) and released information on how to [help stop the spread of COVID-19 in children](#). This webpage includes information and tips on how to protect children during a COVID-19 outbreak. Lastly, CDC updated information on [helping children learn at home](#) to keep children learning while school's out.

**Information for Construction Workers:** CDC updated their information on [What Construction Workers Need to Know about COVID-19](#). The page includes information on how to protect yourself and slow the spread, steps your employer can take, how to reduce transmission among workers, maintaining a healthy work environment, maintaining a healthy business operation and additional resources.

## **Reopening Updates**

**Information for Primary Schools and Education Programs:** CDC updated their [FAQs for administrators, teachers and parents](#). The FAQs cover planning and responding to COVID-19, dismissals, recent travel and commonly asked questions for teachers and parents with respect to school openings.

**Information for Institutes of Higher Education:** CDC updated their [Considerations for Institutes of Higher Education](#). As some institutes of higher education (IHE) open in the United States, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) offers the following considerations for ways in which IHEs can help protect students and employees (e.g., faculty, staff, and administrators) and slow the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). IHEs vary considerably in geographic location, size, and structure. As such, IHE officials can determine, in collaboration with [state and local health officials](#), whether and how to implement these considerations while adjusting to meet the unique needs and circumstances of the IHE and local community. Implementation should be guided by what is feasible, practical, acceptable, and tailored to the needs of each community. Health facilities managed by the IHE may refer to CDC's [Guidance for U.S. Healthcare Facilities](#) and may find it helpful to reference the [Ten Ways Healthcare Systems Can Operate Effectively During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#). These considerations are meant to supplement—not replace—any state, local, territorial, or tribal health and safety laws, rules, and regulations with which IHEs must comply.

**Onboarding at Healthcare Facilities:** ASPR's TRACIE released a [Healthcare Facility Onboarding Checklist](#). Hospitals and other healthcare facilities face significant challenges to quickly onboard additional healthcare providers when hospital admissions and Intensive Care Unit (ICU) occupancy increase rapidly. Surge staffing may be needed in response to natural disasters, public health emergencies (including infectious disease outbreaks or pandemics), and catastrophic environmental events. This Onboarding Checklist is a tool for hospitals and other facilities to assist in streamlining staff acquisition and the onboarding process in times of need.

## **Research**

**Pandemic Planning Scenarios:** CDC released a new resource with ASPR on [COVID-19 Pandemic Planning Scenarios](#). The agencies have developed five COVID-19 Pandemic Planning Scenarios that are designed to help inform decisions by modelers and public health officials who utilize mathematical modeling. The planning scenarios are being used by mathematical modelers throughout the Federal government. Models developed using the data provided in the planning scenarios can help evaluate the potential effects of different community mitigation strategies (e.g., social distancing). The planning scenarios may also be useful to hospital administrators in assessing resource needs and can be used in conjunction with the [COVID-19 Surge Tool](#).

Kick off the summer well! Questions, email [Darcie.Johnston@hhs.gov](mailto:Darcie.Johnston@hhs.gov).

Laura

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**Subject:** INVITE: Governor-Only Briefing Call with the Vice President on Tuesday, May 26 at 1:00 p.m. ET

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Governor's Senior Staff (Chief of Staff, State-Federal Director, and Scheduler),

Our Nation's Governors are invited to a **Governors-only Briefing Call (with a video teleconference option)** with **Vice President Mike Pence** and Senior Administration Officials on **Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time** for an update on the Federal-State-Local efforts to respond to COVID-19.

### **Briefing Call Details**

- **Date:** Tuesday, May 26, 2020
- **Time:** 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time
- **Expected Length:** 60-90 minutes
  - *Please communicate if your governor is expected to be late or depart early from the call.*
- **Federal Participants:** Vice President Mike Pence & Senior Administration Officials
- **Reminder Governors-Only (i.e., one call-in per state):** Participation in this call is for governors only, but we encourage governors to be joined by their respective state health officer, homeland security advisor, emergency manager, state economic development directors, state workforce directors, other key state leaders in the state's response and re-opening efforts to COVID-19. Interactions will be limited only to governors and Federal leaders.

### **RSVP & Call-In Information – Deadline to RSVP is Sunday May 24 at 12:00 p.m. ET**

To RSVP your governor, email please email me ([Ariella.M.Campana@who.eop.gov](mailto:Ariella.M.Campana@who.eop.gov)) by **no later than Sunday, May 24 at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time**. Once you RSVP your governor, you will receive a call-in information link and guidance. VTC guidance will be provided upon request.

If you have any additional questions, please reach out to the White House Intergovernmental Affairs Office or the Office of the Vice President.

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Thanks,  
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Governor's Senior Staff (Chief of Staff, State-Federal Director, and Scheduler),

Our Nation's Governors are invited to a **Governors-only Briefing Call (with a video teleconference option)** with **Vice President Mike Pence** and Senior Administration Officials on **Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time** for an update on the Federal-State-Local efforts to respond to COVID-19.

### **Briefing Call Details**

- **Date:** Tuesday, May 26, 2020
- **Time:** 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time
- **Expected Length:** 60-90 minutes
  - *Please communicate if your governor is expected to be late or depart early from the call.*
- **Federal Participants:** Vice President Mike Pence & Senior Administration Officials
- **Reminder Governors-Only (i.e., one call-in per state):** Participation in this call is for governors only, but we encourage governors to be joined by their respective state health officer, homeland security advisor, emergency manager, state economic development directors, state workforce directors, other key state leaders in the state's response and re-opening efforts to COVID-19. Interactions will be limited only to governors and Federal leaders.

### **RSVP & Call-In Information – Deadline to RSVP is Sunday May 24 at 12:00 p.m. ET**

To RSVP your governor, email please email me ([Ariella.M.Campana@who.eop.gov](mailto:Ariella.M.Campana@who.eop.gov)) by **no later than Sunday, May 24 at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time**. Once you RSVP your governor, you will receive a call-in information link and guidance. VTC guidance will be provided upon request.

If you have any additional questions, please reach out to the White House Intergovernmental Affairs Office or the Office of the Vice President.

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