

COVID-19 TOWN HALL

July 1, 2020



Board of Pharmacy Update

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Executive Director | AZ Board of Pharmacy

Due to the Health Emergency, the Board will no longer take walk-ins. Board staff will still be available via phone, email and by appointment. For office directory click https://pharmacy.az.gov/node/5226. Thank you for your understanding.

State and National Updates

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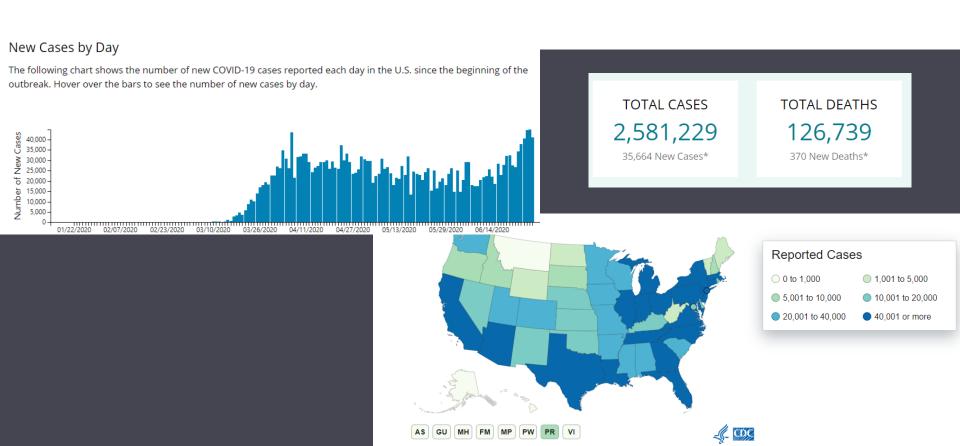
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Worldwide Cases



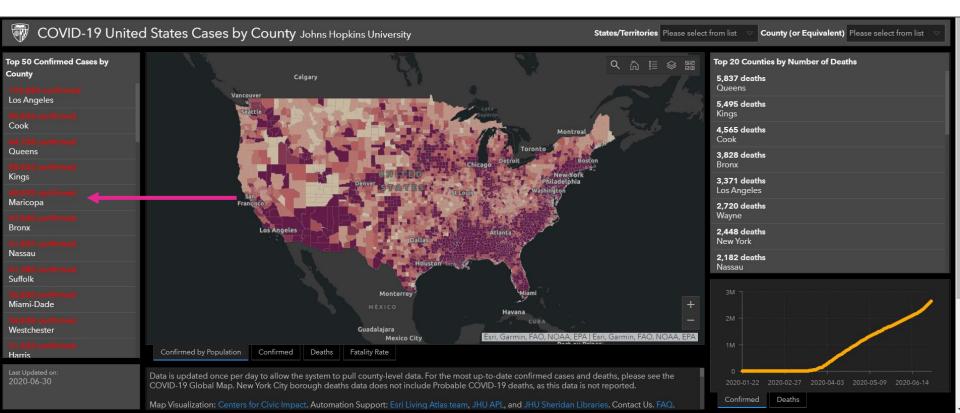
National Cases





US Cases by County







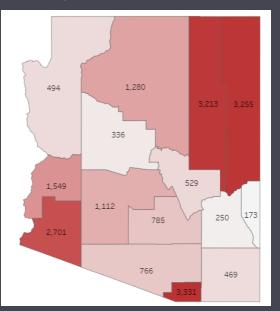
Show case counts or population rates in the map below?

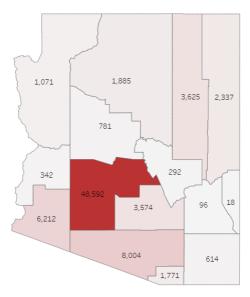
Cases

Select a county to filter the other numbers.

Deaths will not be shown for counties with fewer than three deaths.

Rate per 100,000





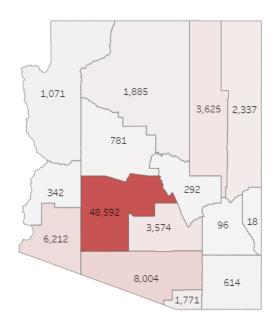
Number of Cases	Number of Deaths	Number of COVID-19 Tests
79,215	1,632	701,834
Number of New Cases reported today*	Number of New Deaths reported today*	Number of New Tests reported today*
4,682 2 day total	44	23,471
Rate of cases, per 100,000 population	Rate of fatalities, per 100,000 population	Total Percent Positive**
1,101.9	22.70	9.9%
Total COVID-19 PCR Tests	New PCR Tests reported today*	PCR Percent Positive**
531,922	20,913	12.096
Total COVID-19 Serology Tests	New Serology Tests reported today*	Serology Percent Positive**
169,911	3,163	3.296

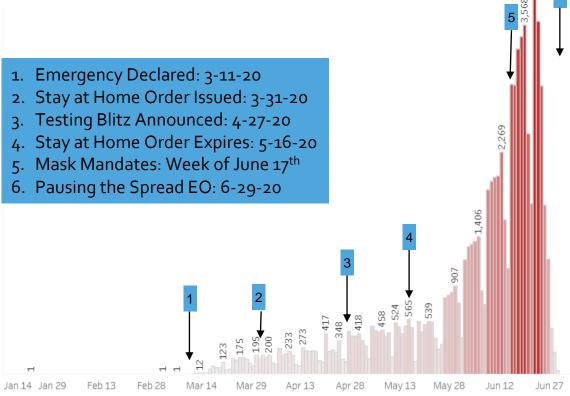
^{*}Counts of new cases, deaths, and numbers tested reflect increases in the total numbers compared to the previous day.

Cases By Day

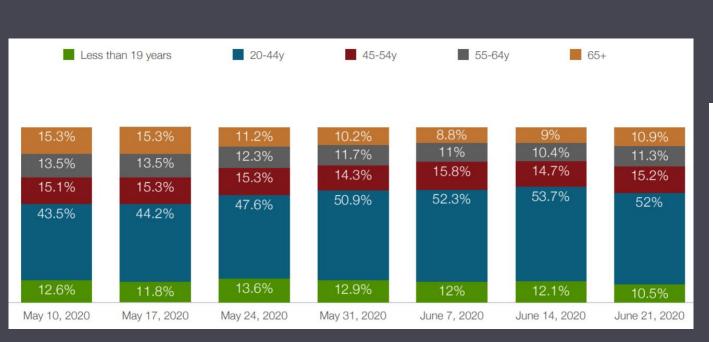


Illnesses in last 4-7 days may not be reported

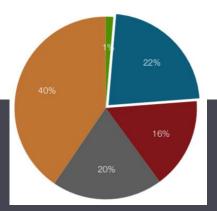


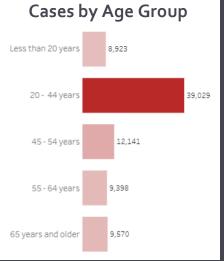


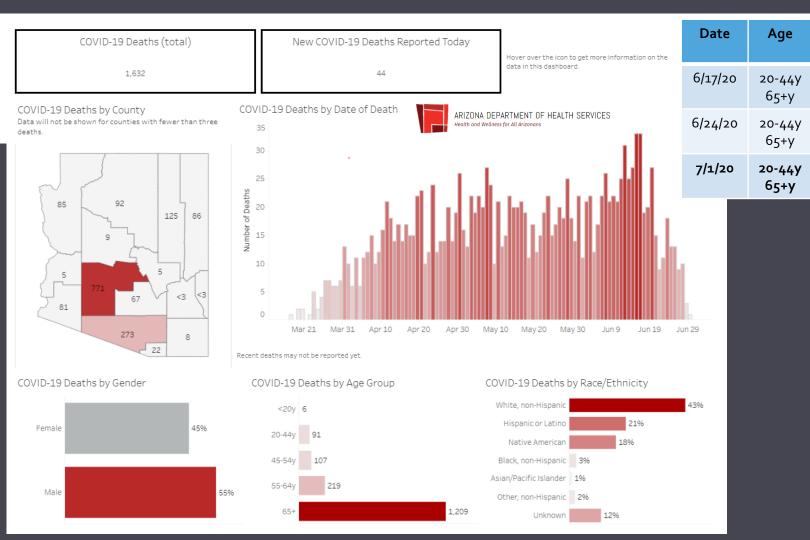
Weekly COVID Cases By Age



Hospitalizations







%

5%

75%

5%

75%

6%

74%

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Deaths

62

920

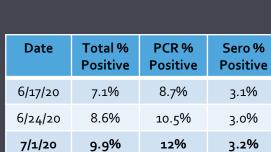
72

1,044

91

1,209

Laboratory Testing



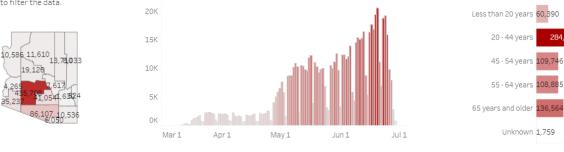




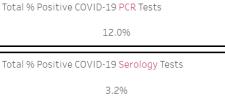
Total % Positive COVID-19 All Tests 9.9%

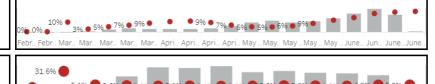
284,489

All Testing by Age Group





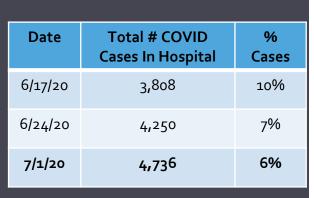


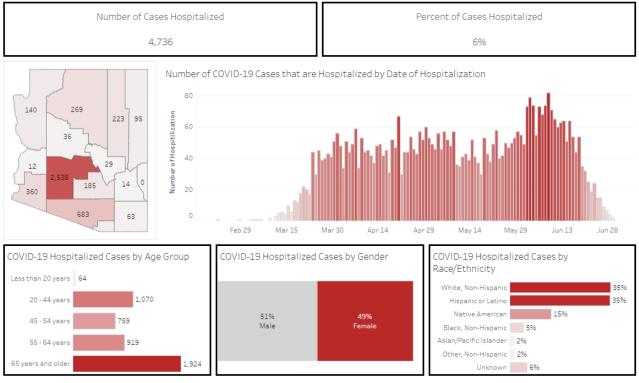




Hospitalizations

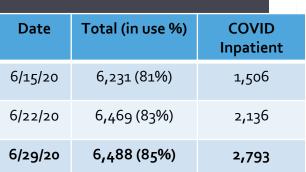




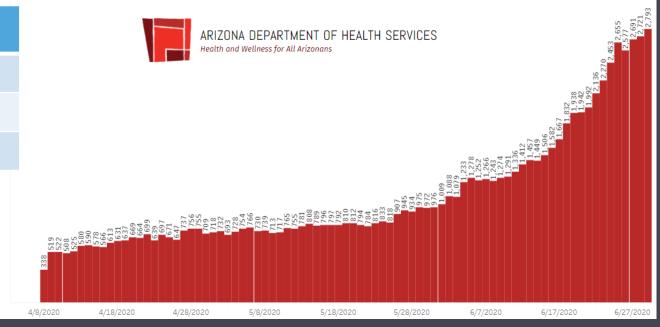


Inpatient Bed Usage Due to COVID-19

Number of Positive or Suspected Inpatient COVID-19 Patients



*Does not include 2600 surge beds



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ICU Beds in Use Due to COVID-19

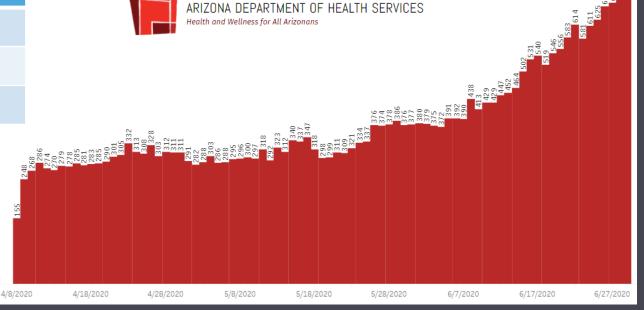
 Date
 Total ICU (in use%)
 COVID ICU

 6/15/20
 1,307 (80%)
 502

 6/22/20
 1,412 (84%)
 614

 6/29/20
 1,435 (86%)
 683

*Does not include the 600 surge beds

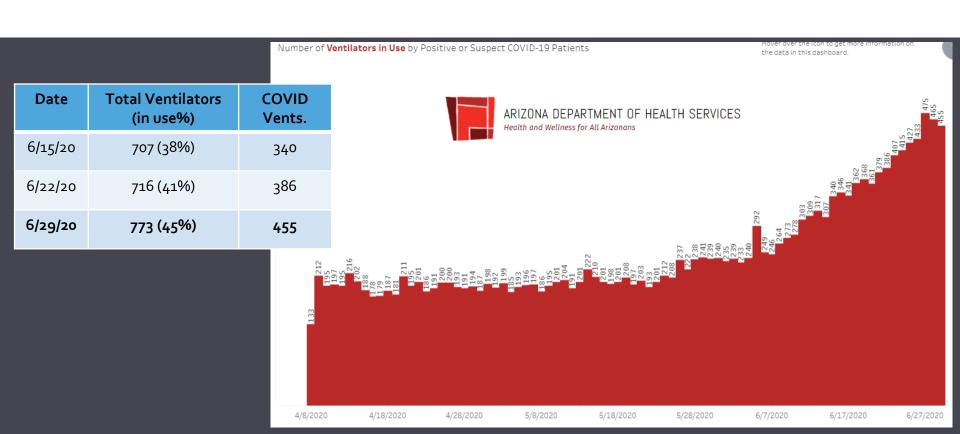


Number of Intensive Care Unit (ICU) Beds in Use by Positive or Suspected COVID-19 Patients

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Ventilator Usage Due to COVID-19





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Arizona

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Good Samaritan Executive Order Extended

EO 2020-42

- Governor Ducey extended the Good Samaritan Executive Order 2020-27 that was set to expire on June 30th.
- The EO provides civil liability protections to health care institutions, treatment facilities, emergency medical care technicians, and health care professionals and volunteers who are registered and recruited through the Arizona Emergency System for the Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals through the end of the calendar year.

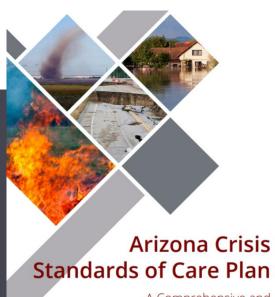
ADHS Activates Crisis Standards of Care

STATE DISASTER MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- Recommended implementation of Crisis Standards of Care on 6/26
- Establishing statewide standards of care ensures that all hospitals are providing the same level of care and patients are not treated by different standards.

ADHS WILL ACTIVATE CRISIS STANDARDS OF CARE

- Activate tactics to address space, staff, and resource constraints as necessary for the hospital's current situation.
- Prepare for surge and anticipate fully staffing hospitals.
- Cease all surgeries EXCEPT non-emergent, essential surgeries and procedures that do not impair the care of other patients.
- Activate Hospital Incident Command and meet with increasing frequency.
- Establish regular communication with local health jurisdiction.





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Recent Approved Actions:

- 3/24/20: Contingency PPE Guidance: Liability Guidance: Contingency Testing Prioritization Guidance: Signed Decision Form
- 4/1/20: Crisis Standards of Care Staffing Guidance for Short-Term Acute Care Facilities; COVID-19 Pre-Hospital Triage Guidance: COVID-19 Guidance for Expansion of Healthcare Facility Staff
- 6/12/20: Remdesivir Allocation Guidance & Allocation of Scare Resources in Acute Care Facilities

Crisis Indicators & Tactics for the State



Staffing Support & Supply Shortages

STRATEGIES TO MAXIMIZE MEDICAL RESOURCES

- SUBSTITUTE: Use an essentially equivalent facility, professional, drug, or device for one that would usually be available.
- 2. ADAPT: Use a facility, professional, drug, or device that is not equivalent, but provides the best possible care.
- CONSERVE: Use lower dosages or change practices, e.g., minimize use of oxygen by using air for nebulizers, when possible.
- 4. REUSE: Use single use items again, after appropriate disinfection or sterilization.
- OPTIMIZE ALLOCATION: Allocate resources to patients whose need is greater or whose prognosis is more likely to result in a positive outcome with limited resources.
- *Adapted from The Guidelines for Use of Modified Health Care Protocols in Acute Care Hospitals

 During Pubic Health Emergencies, September 2013, Kansas Department of Health and Environment

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RECOMMENDED CSC EXPANDED SCOPES OF PRACTICE

- EMTs and PAs may be supervised by a resident beyond their first year of residency (internship) in that
 resident's healthcare facility.
- Residents beyond their first year of residency (internship) may function to the best of their ability in that resident's healthcare facility.
- A licensed physician beyond their first year of training (internship) may not be constrained to practice
 in their assigned facility, but with advanced communication regarding specific needs, may go to
 another facility and practice under the supervision of a physician from the receiving facility.
- Licensed Arizona RNs who have met the requirements may perform procedures defined by the Arizona Board of Nursing (ABN) Advisory Opinions in facilities where they have privileges.
- Any out-of-state, licensed healthcare professional in good standing may be approved to practice by that professional's Arizona licensing board at that board's discretion during CSC.
- Department of Defense (DOD) clinical professionals, under the supervision of an Arizona licensed clinical professional with similar clinical responsibilities, may use their competencies and privileges obtained through the DOD to exercise their documented skills to assist with healthcare needs of the community.
- Federal clinical professionals, under the supervision of an Arizona licensed clinical professional with similar clinical responsibilities, may use their competencies and privileges obtained through their federal agencies to exercise their documented skills to assist with healthcare needs of the community.



EO 2020-43: Pausing of Arizona's Reopening

NEW EXECUTIVE ORDER

PAUSING OPERATIONS OF BARS, GYMS, MOVIE THEATERS, WATERPARKS, TUBING

- Effective today at 8pm, with a targeted reopening in one month
- In order to reopen the establishments must attest to adhere to all public health regulations, and post it for the public to see
- Enforcement will be led by local public health officials and local authorities



LIMITING MASS GATHERINGS

- Prohibited: Indoor or outdoor public events of 50 or more
- The Department of Liquor Licenses and Control shall cease issuing special event licenses
- Applicable statewide
- Cities and counties have the authority to approve larger events, but only if adequate safety precautions are implemented, including physical distancing measures

GUIDANCE FOR POOLS

- Public pools: municipal, hotels, motels
 - Prohibit groups larger than 10 from congregating together in or near the pool
- Private pools: apartments, condos, multi-housing complexes
 - Must post signage at all entrances requiring physical distancing and limiting groups larger than 10 from congregating in or near the pool





EO 2020-44: Protecting Public Health For Students and Teachers

CERTAINTY FOR ARIZONA SCHOOLS

DELAYING THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

- Target date: August 17, 2020
- Continuously reevaluating this target date

KEEPING ARIZONA KIDS SAFE AND HEALTHY

- Work with Superintendent Hoffman to continue encouraging virtual check-ins.
- Encourage meal programs to continue for kids in need.



- All schools shall delay the start of in-person classes for the school year that begins July 1, 2020, until August 17, 2020, but schools may begin the school year on their regularly planned start date prior to August 17, 2020 through distance learning.
 - a. If a school chooses to begin the school year on its regularly planned start date through distance learning, a district or charter school shall submit a distance learning plan as required by the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) no later than the start date of the distance learning program or August 14, 2020, whichever is earlier.
 - A school district or charter school may delay benchmark testing until the first six weeks after in-person classes are allowed to begin.
 - c. District and charter school students shall be considered as an AOI (Arizona Online Instruction Program) student for purposes of school funding calculations while participating in distance learning.
- 2. The Arizona Department of Education shall conduct an analysis of the need to waive the number of school days that schools are required to provide schooling and the impact of such a waiver. The analysis shall be submitted to the Governor, the Speaker of the Arizona House of Representatives, the President of the Arizona State Senate and the State Board of Education by August 31, 2020.
- Schools who have implemented child care programs shall continue to offer those programs until the start of in-person classes.
- Any provisions of this Executive Order that conflict with Executive Order 2020-41, 2020-2021 School Year ,Prioritizing Kids and Schools During COVID-19, govern while the start of in-person classes is delayed.

TESTING INITIATIVES

Convalescent Plasma

- Convalescent plasma is a treatment that some doctors are using for people with severe coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)
- People who've recovered from COVID-19 have antibodies to the disease in their blood.
- Their blood can be collected and the plasma, containing the antibodies can be given to people with severe COVID-19 to boost their ability to fight the virus.
- If you've had COVID-19 and recovered from it, consider donating blood.



STAYING CONNECTED WITH THE ONES WE LOVE MOST

GRANTS FOR ELECTRONIC DEVICES & TABLETS

- For Long-Term Care Facilities & Skilled-Nursing Facilities
- Partnering with AARP
- \$10,000 per facility

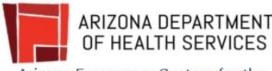


UPDATED GUIDANCE FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY & BEYOND

HOUSE PARTIES, FAMILY GATHERINGS, POOL PARTIES & BBQs

- Celebrate with your immediate household or daily contacts
- Protect your most vulnerable family members and friends: invite parents and grandparents to join through FaceTime or other video chat methods
- Stay outside when possible, stay hydrated, physically distance, and wear a mask





Arizona Emergency System for the Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals (AZ-ESAR-VHP)



The mission of the <u>ESAR-VHP</u> program is to establish a national interoperable network of state based volunteer registration systems for managing volunteers at all tiers of response. Each system verifies the identity, credentials, certifications, licenses, and hospital privileges of health professionals who volunteer to provide health services during a public health emergency.

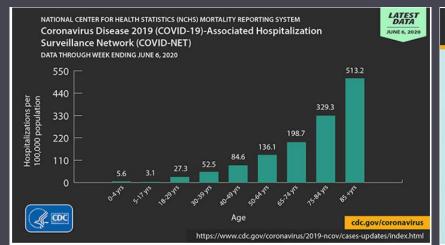
- Medical and non-medical volunteers
- Majority already live and work in AZ
- It is NOT an automatic fill for staff -it as a clearing house for potential health workers

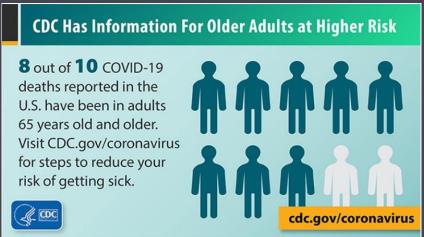
You need to be prepared to:

- Give a description of the situation
- Determine if they will be paid or unpaid
- Details about the number of staff and job descriptions for each
- Time frame needed
- Plan for food, housing and other support
- Be able to integrate them into your system

CDC Expands List of Those at Risk for Coronavirus

- Among adults, the risk for severe illness from COVID-19 increases with age, with older adults at highest risk.
- In general, your risk of getting severely ill from COVID-19 increases as you get older. In fact, 8 out of 10 COVID-19-related deaths reported in the United States have been among adults aged 65 years and older.





CDC Expands List of Those at Risk for Coronavirus

People of any age with <u>certain underlying medical conditions</u> are at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19:

- Chronic kidney disease
- COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
- Immunocompromised state (weakened immune system) from solid organ transplant
- Obesity (body mass index [BMI] of 30 or higher)
- Serious heart conditions, such as heart failure, coronary artery disease, or cardiomyopathies
- Sickle cell disease
- Type 2 diabetes mellitus

DEA Warns Against Use of Certain Antibody Tests

- DEA recommends that clinical laboratories and health care providers stop using COVID-19 antibody tests that are listed on FDA's "removed" test list.
- There are 53 tests listed so far!

Manufacturer	Test	\$	Status	\$
ACCOBiotech SDN.BHD	ACCO COVID-19 IgM/IgG TEST		Removed - Should N Be Distributed	Vot
Anhui Deepblue Medical Technology Co., Ltd.	COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) IgG/IgM Antibody Test Kit (Colloidal Gold)		Removed - Should N Be Distributed	Not
Artron BioResearch Inc./ Artron Laboratories Inc.	COVID-19 IgM/IgG Antibody Test		Removed - Should N Be Distributed*	Vot
Atlas Link (Beijing)Technology Co., Ltd	NovaTest: One Step COVID-19 IgG/IgM rapid test		Removed - Should N Be Distributed	Vot
Audacia Bioscience	CMC-19D SARS-CoV2 (COVID-19) Rapid Antibody Te	st	Removed - Should N Be Distributed	Vot

Remdesivir Updates

183,560 vials will be shipped out to states this week.

- This is the last of the donated product -- ASPR has not held any vials in reserve.
- These are in lyophilized form and can be stored at room temperature and used in pediatric patients.
- Distribution from state health departments to hospitals may be delayed; some states may distribute this allocation immediately or distribution may extend further into July.

ASPR is working with Gilead and AmerisourceBergen to develop a plan for the 2,000,000 doses anticipated by the end of the year.

- No news yet on whether these doses will be donated or sold commercially.
- ASPR will remain involved in the allocation process.

Continue using the SDMAC Remdesivir Allocations Guidelines.

Gilead plans to start trials of an inhaled version by August.

Dexamethasone

- Demand For Dexamethasone Reportedly Raises Concerns About Future Shortages
- <u>US Hospitals Hard Hit By Pandemic Ramping Up Use Of Dexamethasone</u>
- Aspen CEO Says Company Could Provide 10M Dexamethasone Doses Within One Month
- More Data Support Theory That Antivirals Most Effective In Early COVID-19, Immunosuppressants In Later-Stage Disease

Questions?