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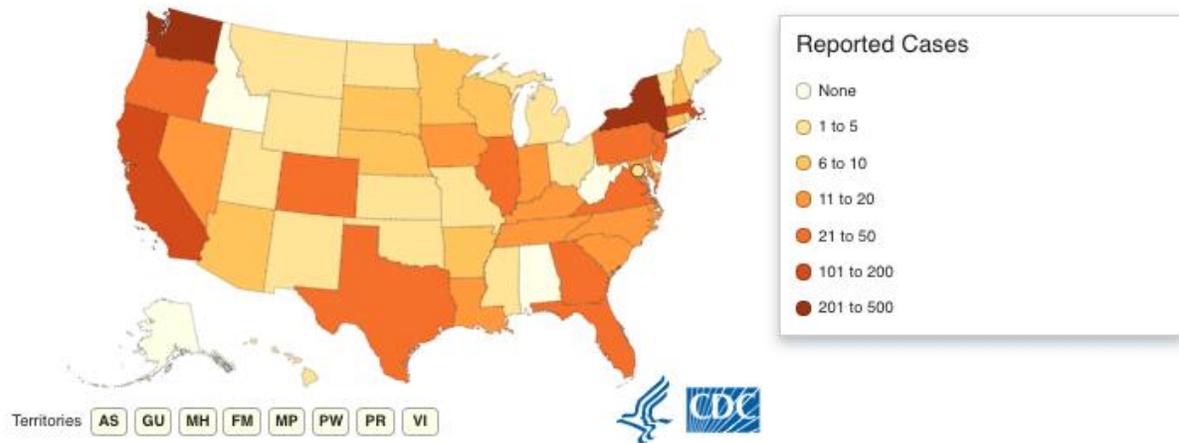
## COVID-19

REPORTED CASES	
<b>Montana</b> <i>New in last 24 hours: 4</i>	<b>5</b>
<b>United States</b> <i>New in last 24 hours: +414 (+34%)</i>	<b>1,629</b>
<b>WA</b>	<b>457</b>
<b>ID</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>WY</b>	<b>1 to 5</b>
<b>ND</b>	<b>1 to 5</b>
<b>SD</b>	<b>8</b>

Governor Steve Bullock this evening confirmed four presumptively positive cases of coronavirus, or COVID-19, in Montana. There are four positive cases in the counties of Gallatin, Yellowstone, Silver Bow, and Lewis and Clark. [More information here.](#)

- The Gallatin patient is a male in their 40s.
- The Yellowstone patient is a female in their 50s.
- The Silver Bow patient is a male in their 50s.
- The Lewis and Clark patient is a male in their 50s.

## States Reporting Cases of COVID-19 to CDC\*



**Trump declares national emergency for COVID-19 outbreak.** Today's declaration paves the way for the Department of Health and Human Services Secretary to take critical actions, such as providing Section 1135 waivers, to ensure that healthcare services and sufficient healthcare items are available to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak.

## OPERATIONS

**EMS Infectious Disease Playbook.** Vetted and assembled by subject matter experts working for the Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange (TRACIE) at the request of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)/Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR), [this playbook](#) is intended as a planning resource, and should be incorporated into standard operating procedures and reviewed by the EMS medical director.

## PLANNING

**March 16 Conference Call with Congressman Gianforte.** U.S. Representative Greg Gianforte wants to hear from hospitals on the state of preparedness for COVID-19 in Montana. He invites MHA members to join him on a conference call at 9AM MT time on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. He wants to hear from you and answer any questions you may have. To RSVP, please fill out the Google form [here](#). Call-in information will be shared Monday morning 30 minutes before the call. Please email Will Carraco at [will.carraco@mail.house.gov](mailto:will.carraco@mail.house.gov) with any questions.

**March 16 CAH COVID Conference Call.** MHA has scheduled a conference call with our CAH membership on Monday, March 16 at 12PM to discuss items of concern

and how we can ensure a seamless management of patients. Dial-in: 1-877-594-8353; Code: 79192930#.

**Juware data collection expands.** Starting Monday, data collection will include the following PPE items: surgical masks, face shields, gowns, gloves and coveralls. This is in addition to existing data collection for bed availability, N95 masks and ventilators. Data will be used by the State in requesting emergency supplies and managing allocation. Please complete all daily updates by **8:00AM** each morning.

## LOGISTICS

**Staffing:** [Medefis Workforce Solutions](#), a longstanding MHA workforce partner, is available to our MHA Members needing to quickly staff a new quarantine unit, fill critical unfilled shifts due to sudden census spike and/or replace core staff who have taken a leave of absence or are quarantined themselves. Contact Doug Janes at 877-282-5305 or [Doug.Janes@Medefis.com](mailto:Doug.Janes@Medefis.com)

## COMMUNICATIONS

MHA's Incident Management Team stands ready to connect you to the resources and information needed for your facility to respond and care for patients. Send an email to [esf8@mtha.org](mailto:esf8@mtha.org).

## REFERENCE LINKS

Contact Information: [Local & Tribal County Health Departments](#)

**NEW & EXPANDED:** [State of Montana COVID-19 Information](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention COVID-19 Information](#)

[Healthcare Professionals Preparedness Checklist](#) (CDC)

[Hospital Preparedness Tool](#) (CDC)

[Montana EMS Guidance](#) (DPHHS)

[EMTALA Requirements and Implications Related to COVID-19](#) (CMS)

[Mitigation Strategies for Communities with Local COVID-19 Transmission](#) (CDC)

[Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Patients with Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19 in Healthcare Settings](#) (CDC)

[Additional Guidance for Infection Control and Prevention of COVID-19 in Home Health Agencies](#) (CMS)

[Additional Guidance for Infection Control and Prevention of COVID-19 in Dialysis Facilities](#) (CMS)

[Management of Healthcare Personnel with Potential Exposure to Patients with COVID-19 \(CDC\)](#)

[Clinical Guidance for Management of Patients with Confirmed COVID-19 \(CDC\)](#)

[Criteria for Evaluation and Reporting of Persons Under Investigation \(CDC\)](#)

[Montana Hospital Mutual Aid System Memo & Agreement](#)

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