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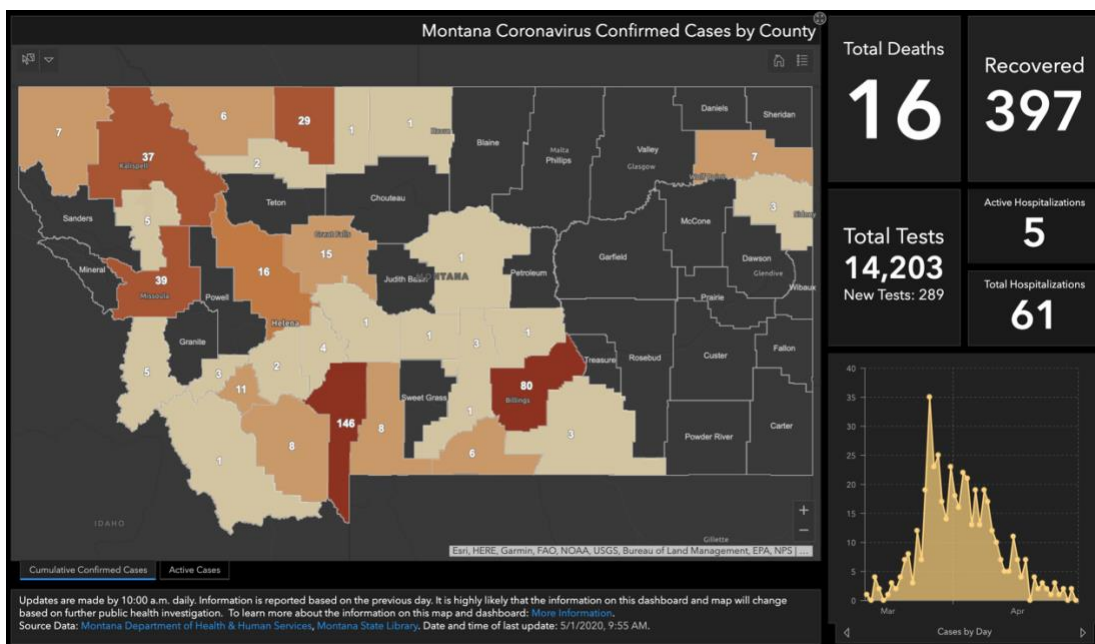
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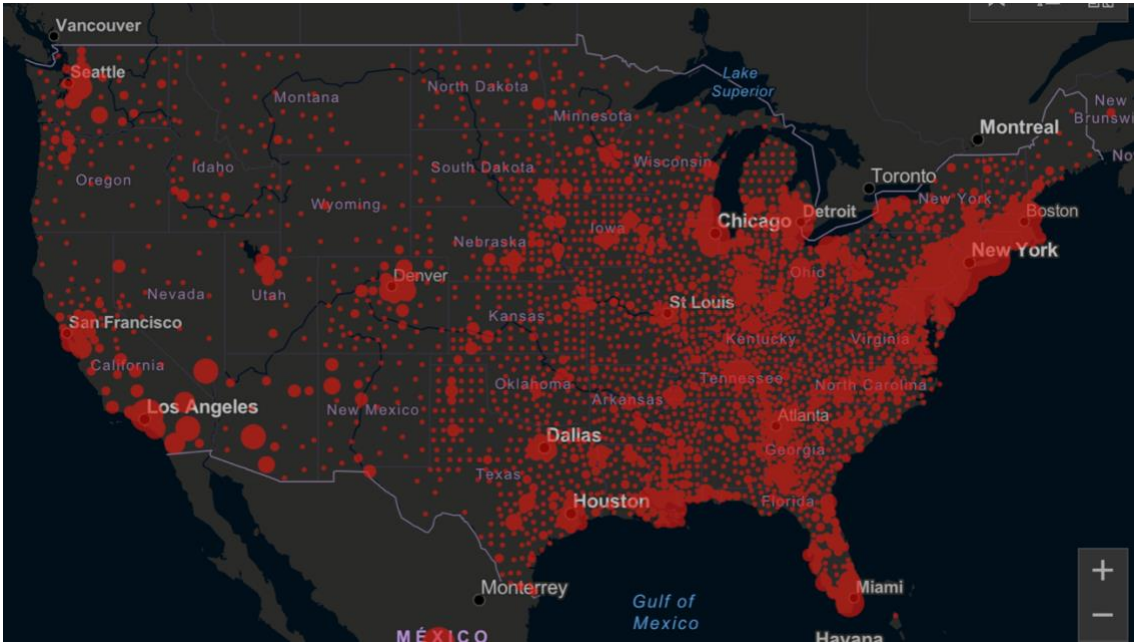
Montana Hospital Association - Situation Report

May 1, 2020

COVID-19

REPORTED CASES	
Montana <i>New in last 24 hours: 0</i> <i>Hospitalizations, Total: 61 (Last 24hrs: +0)</i> <i>Hospitalizations, Active: 5 (Last 24hrs: +0)</i> <i>Recovered: 397 (Last 24hrs: +5)</i> <i>Deaths: 16 (Last 24hrs: +0)</i> Source: Montana COVID-19 Dashboard	453
United States <i>New in last 24 hours: 34,117 (+3%)</i> Source: Johns Hopkins CSSE Global Outbreak Dashboard	1,103,781
WA	14,637
ID	2,035
WY	566
ND	1,107
SD	2,525





OPERATIONS

FDA greenlights remdesivir for treatment of COVID-19. The FDA today issued an [emergency use authorization](#) for the investigational antiviral drug remdesivir for the treatment of suspected or laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 in adults and children hospitalized with severe disease.

CDC tools track hospital bed occupancy, county-level COVID-19 cases. The CDC today launched the [National Healthcare Safety Network COVID-19 Module Data Dashboard](#), which shows the share of inpatient and intensive care unit beds occupied by state as reported by acute care facilities participating in the Patient Impact and Hospital Capacity pathway of the NHSN COVID-19 module.

PLANNING

Continue daily reporting of available resources and response data. Organizations reporting to the following systems are considered to be fully reporting resource data in response to the COVID-19 PHE.

- Juware/EMResource: Continue to report bed availability and ventilator capacity by 8:00 a.m. daily.
- PPE Survey Tool: PPE data will be reported to a [new PPE Survey Tool](#) instead of EMResource.
- COVID-19 Patient Survey Tool: Used to collect hospitalization data, and only to be used at the direction of DPHHS officials following acquisition of confirmed COVID-19 patient.

LOGISTICS

Submit PPE needs to DES coordinator in order to ensure allocation. In order to receive an allocation of emergency PPE, healthcare organizations MUST [submit needs to their local DES coordinator](#). Allocation is ongoing and supplies are limited.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Montana healthcare providers to receive nearly \$200 million from emergency fund next week. HHS today [announced](#) that it will distribute an additional \$22 billion in funds from the Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund the week of May 4:

- Hospitals with at least 100 COVID-19 inpatient admissions through April 10, 2020, will receive \$12 billion in funds.

- General acute-care hospitals, critical access hospitals, rural health clinics and community health centers located in rural areas will receive \$10 billion in funds.

Montana healthcare providers will receive a total of \$199,485,740. Hospitals and RHCs will each receive a minimum base payment plus a percent of their annual expenses. This expense-based method accounts for operating cost and lost revenue incurred by rural hospitals for both inpatient and outpatient services. The base payment will account for RHCs with no reported Medicare claims, such as pediatric RHCs, and CHCs lacking expense data, by ensuring that all clinical, non-hospital sites receive a minimum level of support no less than \$100,000, with additional payment based on operating expenses. Rural acute care general hospitals and CAHs will receive a minimum level of support of no less than \$1,000,000, with additional payment based on operating expenses.

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act included \$175 billion in the Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund to reimburse health care providers for health care-related expenses or lost revenues not otherwise reimbursed that are attributable to COVID-19. The Department previously distributed \$50 billion from this fund based on providers' proportions of total net patient revenue.

HRSA issues new resources on COVID-19 Uninsured Program Portal. The Health Resources and Services Administration this week hosted webinars for healthcare providers on the agency's [COVID-19 Uninsured Program Portal](#). During the webinars, representatives from HRSA and United Health Group, the portal administrator, reviewed the process for submitting claims through the portal. They also announced the release of a number of new resources, including an [interactive user guide](#), a provider [checklist for claims reimbursement](#), and guides on [Optum Pay™ direct deposit](#) enrollment and [alternative payment routing options](#). Additional materials will be released in the coming weeks.

COMMUNICATIONS

Call recordings and webinar playbacks. Missed a call or webinar promoted in MHA's daily COVID-19 Call & Webinar Alert? Many are recorded, and are [posted here](#) once available.

COVID-19 Resource Library. MHA has built a [library](#) of helpful resources and sample material from other hospitals, healthcare organizations and states in their response to COVID-19.

HHS hospital-specific COVID-19 questions: HospitalCOVID19@hhs.gov

SITREP Archive. Daily Situation Reports archived [here](#).

State of Montana COVID-19 Hotline: 1-888-333-0461

Montanans can also email questions to covid19info@mt.gov. State public health officials will be responding to inquiries from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday.

MHA Incident Management Team: esf8@mtha.org

REFERENCE LINKS

GENERAL

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

Contact Information: [County & Tribal DES Coordinators](#)

[MHA COVID-19 Member Resources](#)

[State of Montana COVID-19 Information](#)

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

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

[Hospital Preparedness Tool](#) (CDC)

[COVID-19 FAQs for Healthcare Providers](#) (CDC)

[MHA Consensus Statement on the Cancellation of Elective Procedures](#)

[MHA Consensus Statement on the Resumption of Elective Procedures](#)

REV. 4/24/20: [Summary of Funding Opportunities for Hospitals](#) (MHA)

EMS

[EMS Infectious Disease Playbook](#) (ASPR/TRACIE)

[Montana EMS Guidance](#) (DPHHS)

REGULATORY

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

[PHI Guidance for COVID-19 First Responders](#) (OCR/HHS)

[Summary of COVID-19 Emergency Declaration Waivers and Flexibilities](#) (CMS)

[Provider-specific Fact Sheets on Waivers and Flexibilities](#) (CMS)

CLINICAL CARE

[March 24 Memo to Montana Healthcare Providers on COVID-19 Testing](#) (DPHHS)
[Evaluating and Testing Persons for COVID-19](#)(CDC)
[Guidelines for Collecting, Handling and Testing Clinical Specimens](#) (CDC)
[March 26 Diagnostic Testing Update re: Swabs](#) (FDA)
[Clinical Guidance for Management of Patients with Confirmed COVID-19](#) (CDC)
[COVID-19 and Underlying Medical Conditions](#) (CDC)
FAQs: [Higher Risk Persons](#) & [Underlying Conditions](#) (CDC)
[Discontinuation of Transmission-Based Precautions of Patients with COVID-19](#)
(CDC)
[Caring with Limited Resources during the COVID-19 Crisis](#) (AHA)
[Optimizing Ventilator Use during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) (HHS)

LONG-TERM CARE & RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES

[Guidance for Retirement Communities and Independent Living](#) (CDC)
[Preventing the Spread of COVID-19 in Retirement Communities and Independent Living Facilities](#) (CDC)
[COVID-19 Checklist: Older Persons](#) (CDC)
[COVID-19 Long-Term Care Facility Guidance](#) (CMS)

TELEHEALTH

[Medicare Telehealth FAQ](#) (CMS)
[Montana Medicaid Coverage & Reimbursement Policy for Telehealth Services](#)
(DPHHS)
[Telehealth Toolkit for General Practitioners](#) (CMS)
[Telehealth Toolkit for Providers of End-Stage Renal Disease Patients](#) (CMS)
Watch: [“COVID-19 Telehealth Waiver Made Simple”](#) (PYA)
[Telehealth Toolkit for Long-Term Care Nursing Home Facilities](#) (CMS)
[Informational Bulletin: Utilization of Telehealth for Treatment of SUDs](#) (CMS)
Watch: [CMS Telehealth FAQ video](#) (CMS)

INFECTION PREVENTION & CONTROL

[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)

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

[Additional Guidance for Infection Control and Prevention of COVID-19 by Hospice Agencies](#) (CMS)

PPE

[Strategies for Optimizing the Supply of PPE](#) (CDC)

[Strategies for Optimizing the Supply of N95 Respirators](#) (CDC)

[Extending the Use and/or Reusing Respiratory Protection During Disasters](#) (APIC)

[Temporary Enforcement Guidance – Healthcare Respiratory Protection](#) (OSHA)

[PPE Supply Equivalents & Price Guide](#) (AHRMM)

[Conserving Facemasks and Respirators During a Critical Shortage](#) (TJC)

[PPE Burn Rate Calculator](#) (CDC)

[PPE Emergency Use Authorizations](#) (FDA)

[Decontamination and Reuse of Filtering Facepiece Respirators](#) (CDC)

WORKFORCE PROTECTION & SUPPORT

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

[Criteria for Return to Work for Healthcare Personnel](#) (CDC)

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

[COVID-19 Safety Training Resources](#) (NIH)

[COVID-19 and the American Workplace Toolkit](#) (US Dept. of Labor)

[Memo on Registration for Out-of-State Licensees](#) (MT DLI)

[FFCRA FMLA and Paid Leave FAQs](#) (US DOL)

[MHMAS Volunteer Registration System](#)

COMMUNITY MITIGATION STRATEGIES

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

[Tips to Keep Children Healthy While School's Out](#) (CDC)

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