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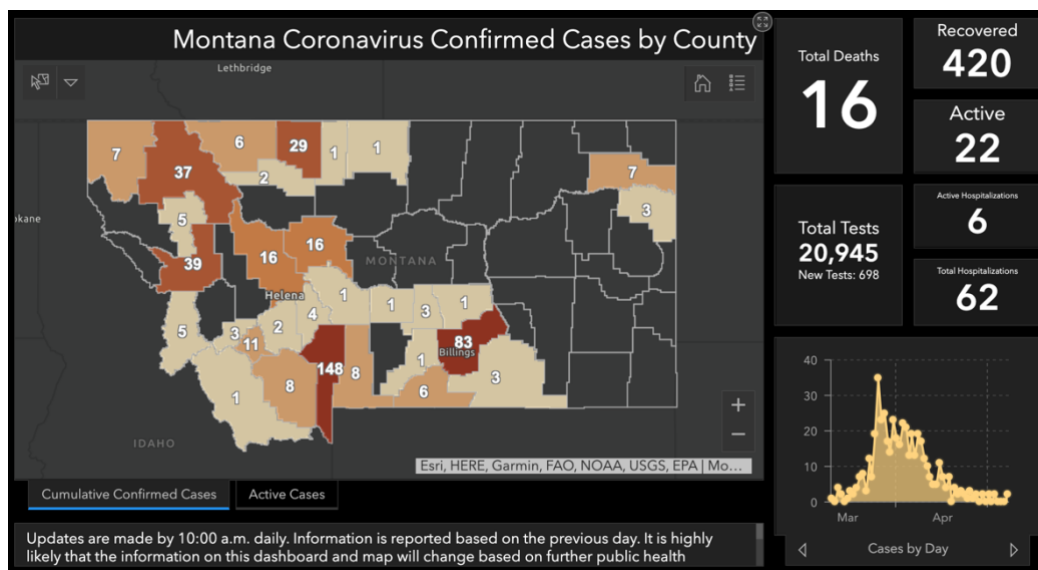
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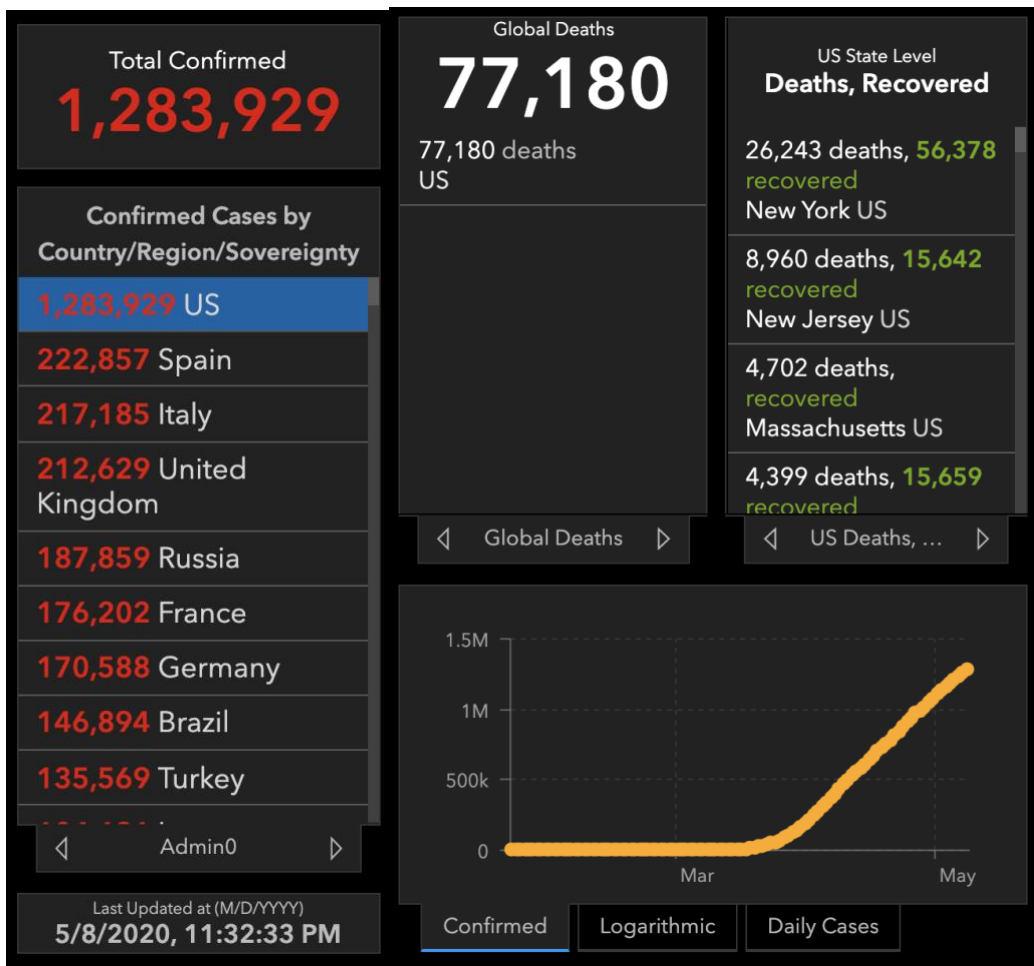
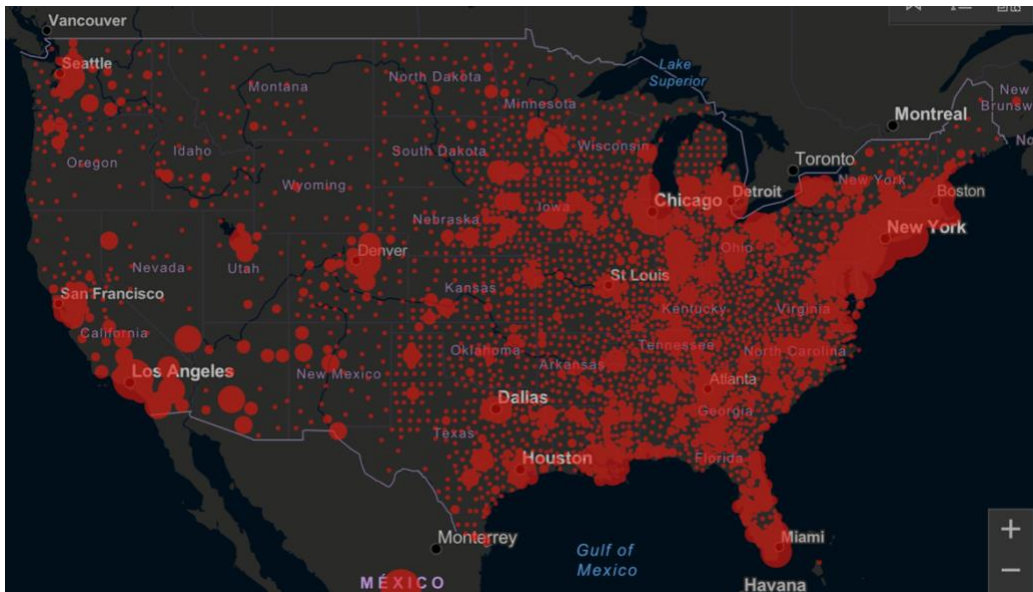
Montana Hospital Association - Situation Report

May 8, 2020

COVID-19

REPORTED CASES	
Montana <i>New in last 24 hours: +2</i> <i>Active Cases: 22 (Last 24hrs: -1)</i> <i>Recovered: 420 (Last 24hrs: +3)</i> <i>Hospitalizations, Total: 62 (Last 24hrs: +0)</i> <i>Hospitalizations, Active: 6 (Last 24hrs: +0)</i> <i>Deaths: 16 (Last 24hrs: +0)</i> Source: Montana COVID-19 Dashboard	458
United States <i>New in last 24 hours: 26,906 (+2%)</i> Source: Johns Hopkins CSSE Global Outbreak Dashboard	1,283,929
WA	16,388
ID	2,178
WY	644
ND	1,425
SD	3,145





OPERATIONS

State of Montana releases revised FAQs on Phase One Reopening. The revised FAQs provide guidance for gyms, movie theaters and museums to reopen during Phase One. New additions to the document since its last version (May 7) are highlighted.

FDA authorizes first at-home COVID-19 diagnostic test using saliva specimens. The FDA Friday issued an **emergency use authorization** to Rutgers Clinical Genomics Laboratory for the first COVID-19 diagnostic test with the option of using home-collected saliva samples. Once patients collect their saliva sample, they return it to RCGL in a sealed package for testing.

FDA: Certain respirators from China no longer authorized for emergency use. The FDA Thursday **revised** its April 3 emergency use authorization for N95 and similar respirators made in China to remove certain respirators that failed to demonstrate at least 95% particulate filtration efficiency when tested by NIOSH. Healthcare personnel should not use these respirators as personal protective equipment but may use them as face masks, FDA said. The FDA also released Thursday **updated FAQs on the EUAs**. The unauthorized models are made by: CTT Co. Ltd; Daddybaby Co. Ltd; Dongguan Xianda Medical Equipment Co. Ltd.; Guangdong Fei Fan Mstar Technology LTD; Guangdong Nuokang Medical Technology Co. Ltd.; Huizhou Huinuo Technology Co. Ltd.; and Lanshan Shendun Technology Co.

Routine childhood vaccinations down during pandemic. The CDC Friday **reported** a notable drop in routine childhood vaccines ordered and administered through the federal Vaccines for Children program during the COVID-19 emergency. "As social distancing requirements are relaxed, children who are not protected by vaccines will be more vulnerable to diseases such as measles," the authors said. "In response, continued coordinated efforts between healthcare providers and public health officials at the local, state, and federal levels will be necessary to achieve rapid catch-up vaccination."

PLANNING

Ongoing data reporting. Continue daily reporting of available resources and response data, including:

- Juvarre/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

Save used N95 masks: No-cost service to decontaminate N95 masks. The [Battelle presentation](#) from the May 8 webinar includes an overview and FAQs on the program. This no-cost service to Montana healthcare providers allows reuse of N95 masks up to 20x.

FDA FAQs on surgical masks and gowns. The FDA released [FAQs on shortages](#) of surgical masks and gowns during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

Hospital jobs decline by 134,900 in April. Employment at the nation's hospitals fell by 2.6% in April to a seasonally adjusted 5,130,000 people, the Bureau of Labor Statistics [reported](#) today. That's 134,900 fewer people than in March and 48,300 fewer than a year ago. Without the seasonal adjustment, which removes the effect of fluctuations due to seasonal events, hospitals employed 5,123,400 people in April – 138,100 fewer than in March and 45,500 fewer than a year ago. The nation's overall unemployment rate rose by 10.3 percentage points in April to 14.7%.

Physical security considerations for the healthcare industry. Events in Kansas City in late March serve as a reminder that terrorists and other violent extremists may attempt to exploit the situation or vulnerable individuals may be triggered by stressors to commit disruptive or violent acts targeted at the healthcare community. This is particularly concerning as Healthcare and Public Health Sector continuity-of-operations is paramount to the national response to the pandemic. As with any critical incident or threat involving healthcare facilities, the first call should be to local law enforcement agencies. In addition, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), Health and Human Services (HHS), and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) have made available a wide [range of resources](#) to share threat and incident information, assist in decision-making, and enhance security capabilities.

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)

REV. 5/3/20: [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)

REV. 4/30/20: [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)

REV. 5/3/20: [Symptom-based Strategy to Discontinue Isolation for Persons with COVID-19](#) (CDC)

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 \(CDC\)](#)

REV. 4/30/20: [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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