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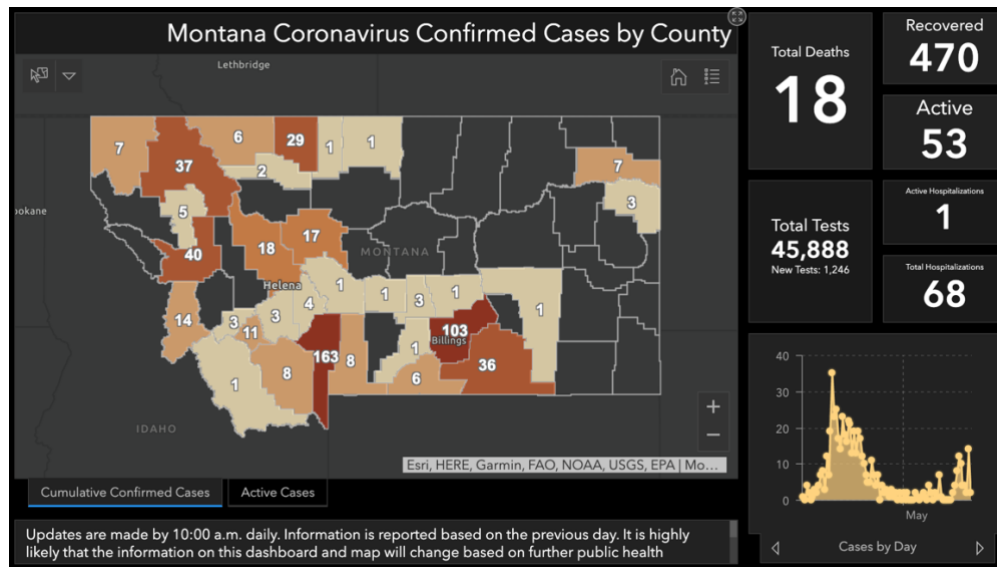
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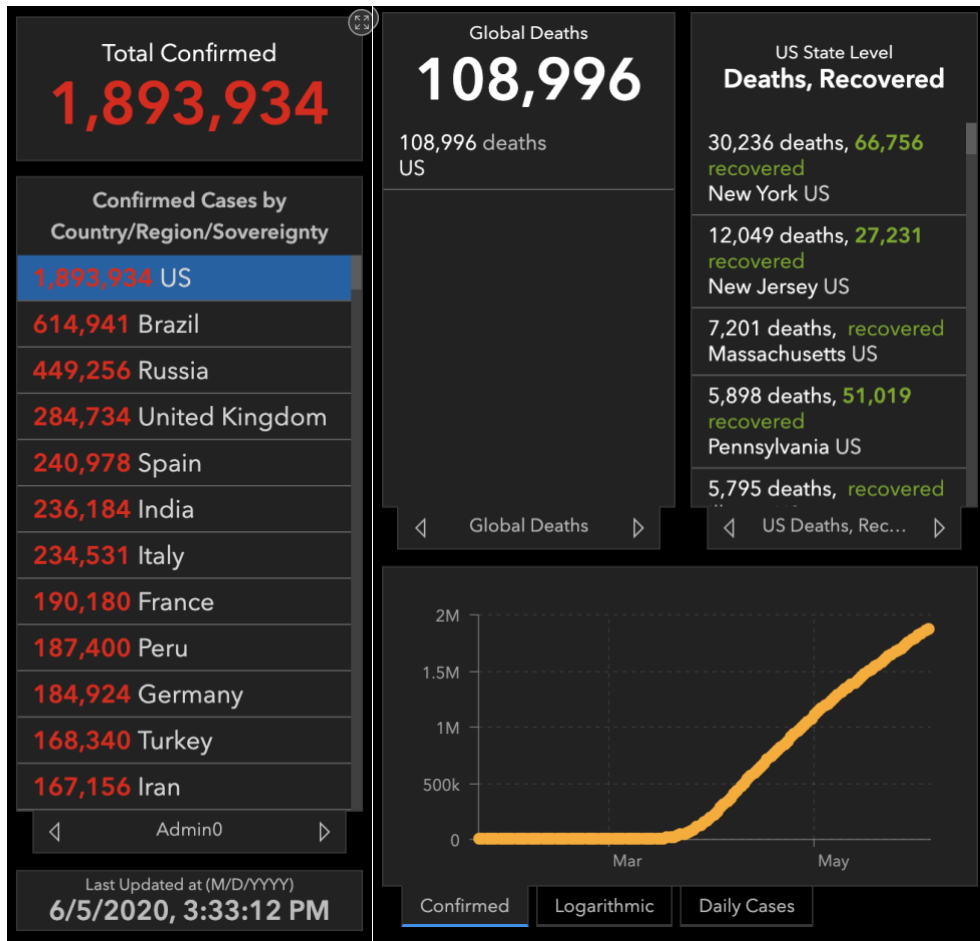
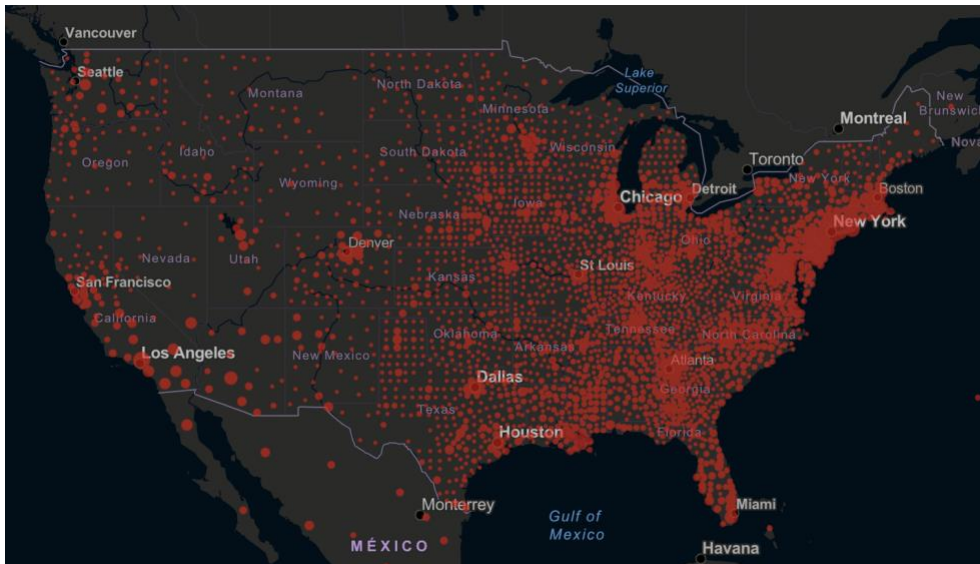
Montana Hospital Association - Situation Report

June 5, 2020

COVID-19

| REPORTED CASES | |
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| Montana <i>New in last 24 hours: +2 (+less than 0.5%)</i> <i>Active Cases: 53 (Last 24hrs: -2)</i> <i>Recovered: 470 (Last 24hrs: +3)</i> <i>Hospitalizations, Total: 68 (Last 24hrs: +0)</i> <i>Hospitalizations, Active: 1 (Last 24hrs: +0)</i> <i>Deaths: 18 (Last 24hrs: +1)</i> Source: Montana COVID-19 Dashboard | 541 |
| United States <i>New in last 24 hours: 21,673 (+1%)</i> Source: Johns Hopkins CSSE Global Outbreak Dashboard | 1,893,934 |
| WA | 22,729 |
| ID | 3,054 |
| WY | 933 |
| ND | 2,745 |
| SD | 5,277 |





President Trump signs Paycheck Protection Flexibility Act. Today, President Trump signed into law the Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act of 2020 (H.R. 7010), which makes several reforms to the Small Business Administration’s (SBA) Paycheck Protection Program (PPP).

Businesses with 500 or fewer employees or meet SBA’s size standards, as well as 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations, 501(c)(19) veterans organizations, or Tribal

business concerns with 500 or fewer employees or meet SBA's size standards are eligible to apply for PPP loans. SBA has approved about 4.4 million loans, totaling more than \$510 billion, as of May 30, 2020. This leaves about \$149 billion in PPP funds made available under the CARES Act and Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act. Frequently Asked Questions for lenders and borrowers (last updated May 27, 2020) are available [here](#).

Highlights of H.R. 7010:

- Extends the period that PPP borrowers have to use the loans in order to qualify for forgiveness from eight weeks to 24 weeks;
- Reduces the loan amount borrowers have to spend on payroll in order for it to be forgiven from 75 percent to 60 percent;
- Extends the period in which borrowers must rehire employees or restore certain salaries or wages from June 30, 2020 to December 31, 2020;
- Provides two exceptions to the requirements that borrowers must rehire employees to February 15 levels: when in "good faith" borrower is (1) unable to rehire individuals who were employees on February 15, or to hire similarly qualified employees for unfilled positions; and (2) to return to the same level of business activity conducting before February 15 due to compliance with requirements for social distancing, sanitation, or worker or customer safety.
- Extends the maturity date for any loan amounts after the forgiveness period from two years to five years; and
- Allows borrowers to defer 50 percent of the employer's share of payroll taxes until 2021 and the remaining 50 percent until 2022.

OPERATIONS

FDA posts testing resources, approves drug for ventilated patients. The FDA yesterday released COVID-19 [performance data](#) for four more antibody test kits. The results come from the first collaboration between FDA, NIH's National Cancer Institute, CDC and Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority. Meanwhile, a new [video](#) from FDA explains for the public the different categories of COVID-19 tests, such as tests for those currently infected versus those with antibodies.

FDA June 3 also approved a new [sedation injection](#) for intubated and ventilated patients in intensive care settings and non-intubated patients prior to or during surgical and other procedures. The drug's most common side effects are hypotension, bradycardia and dry mouth.

HHS shares resources for hospitals' preparedness during civil unrest. HHS' Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) this week shared [resources](#) for protecting community hospitals and providing care during civil unrest. Collected by ASPR's Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange, the resources cover planning for civil unrest and lessons learned; symptoms and treatment strategies for exposure to riot control tools (e.g., pepper spray, tear gas and rubber bullets); and hospital lockdown procedures for various types of events.

PLANNING

HHS data request for remdesivir allocation due Monday, June 8. The deadline for input of the requested data is 10:00 p.m. MDT on Monday, June 8. The data will support the next allocation of remdesivir. Given the limited availability of the treatment, prioritization will be based upon the total number of hospitalized patients with COVID-19, confirmed or suspected, and the total number of ICU patients with COVID-19, confirmed or suspected.

Continue resource reporting to State. The following reporting requirements are in effect. For questions, please contact your [Regional Coordinator](#).

- Hospitals: Continue reporting to Juvare/EMResource as follows:
 - Daily: Bed and ventilator counts
 - Weekly (every Friday): PPE
 - Following treatment of COVID-19 patient(s): COVID-19 patient data, as directed by public health officials
- Long-Term Care Facilities: May reduce their bed and PPE reports to the Regional Coordinators to Fridays only. Regional Coordinators will email out a survey link weekly to each facility for bed and PPE data.

LOGISTICS

Streamlined sign-up process for Battelle mask decontamination program. Battelle and Montana DES have simplified the sign-up process for participation in the Critical Care Decontamination System (CCDS) for N95 masks. Get started with the [4-step sign-up process](#).

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](#).

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

U.S. healthcare jobs increase by 312,000 in May. After losing 1.5 million jobs in April, the healthcare field added 312,000 jobs in May, increasing 2% to a seasonally adjusted 15.2 million, the Bureau of Labor Statistics **reported** today. Office-based providers, such as physicians, dentists, outpatient clinics and other practitioners, accounted for most of the increase. Larger facilities, such as hospitals, nursing and residential care facilities, reported job losses in May, as did home health providers. The overall increase in healthcare jobs in May comes after the sector lost 968,000 jobs over the past year.

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 \(CDC\)](#)

[Updated 6/4 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](#)

[Updated 6/5 Summary of Funding Opportunities for Hospitals \(MHA\)](#)

[Montana Reopening the Big Sky Phased Approach Plan \(State of MT\)](#)

[Updated 6/5 CDC What's New \(CDC\)](#)

[Updated 6/5 CDC Key Updates for Past Week \(CDC\)](#)

EMS

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

[Montana EMS Guidance \(DPHHS\)](#)

[Updated 6/5: EMS & Pre-Hospital Resource Collection \(ASPR/TRACIE\)](#)

[EMS Crisis Standards of Care Strategies and Resources \(Healthcare Resilience Task Force\)](#)

[Guidance for Preventing Disease Spread during Transport of Patients at High Risk for COVID-19 Illness \(Healthcare Resilience Task Force\)](#)

[Best Practices for COVID-19 Call Screening and Modified Response \(Healthcare Resilience Task Force\)](#)

REGULATORY

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

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

[Updated 6/5: Summary of COVID-19 Emergency Declaration Waivers and Flexibilities \(CMS\)](#)

[Updated 6/5: Provider-specific Fact Sheets on Waivers and Flexibilities \(CMS\)](#)

[New Flexibilities for RHCs and FQHCs During Pandemic \(CMS\)](#)

[Catalogue of Government Agency Guidance and Response to COVID-19 \(Wynne Health Group\)](#)

CLINICAL OPERATIONS

[March 24 Memo to Montana Healthcare Providers on COVID-19 Testing \(DPHHS\)](#)

[Evaluating and Testing Persons for COVID-19 \(CDC\)](#)

[Antibody Testing At-A-Glance Recommendations for Healthcare Professionals](#) (CDC)

Updated 6/4: [COVID-19 Testing FAQs](#) (FDA)

[Framework for Providing Non-COVID-19 Clinical Care During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) (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)

[Symptom-based Strategy to Discontinue Isolation for Persons with COVID-19](#) (CDC)

[NIH COVID-19 Treatment Guidelines](#) (NIH)

[Strategies for Elastomeric Respirator use During Surge Situations](#) (CDC)

[CDC Serology Testing for COVID-19 Antibodies](#) (CDC)

[Information for Pediatric Healthcare Providers During COVID-19 Emergency](#) (CDC)

[Evaluation and Management Considerations for Neonates At Risk for COVID-19](#) (CDC)

Updated 6/5: [COVID-19 Behavioral Health Resources](#) (ASPR)

[Medical Operations Toolkit to Manage Patient Surge](#) (HHS)

[Remdesivir Allocation and Distribution Information](#) (ASPR)

[Safely Transporting COVID-19 Materials Quick Reference Page](#) (USDOT)

NEW 6/5: [Guidance on COVID-19 laboratory data reporting](#) (HHS)

NEW 6/5: [COVID-19 laboratory data reporting FAQs](#) (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)

[Nursing Home Infection Prevention and Control Resources](#) (Healthcare Resilience Task Force)

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)

[Chart: COVID-19 Federal Telehealth Flexibilities](#) (Wynne Health Group)

[Telehealth Resources for Behavioral Health Clinicians during COVID-19](#) (SAMHSA)

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)

[2009 Article: Extending the Use and/or Reusing Respiratory Protection During Disasters](#) (APIC)

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

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

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

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

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

[FAQs on Shortages of Surgical Masks and Gowns During the COVID-19 Pandemic \(FDA\)](#)

[NIOSH Information on Counterfeit 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 \(CDC\)](#)

[January 2019 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](#)

Updated 6/5: [Toolkit for Healthcare Decision-Makers Responding to COVID-19 Workforce Concerns \(HHS\)](#)

[Guidance for Protecting Workers in Office Buildings \(CDC\)](#)

[Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19 \(OSHA\)](#)

COMMUNITY MITIGATION STRATEGIES

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

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

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

[CARES Act Provider Relief Fund FAQs \(HHS\)](#)

[Medicare Fee-for-Service Billing COVID-19 FAQs \(CMS\)](#)

[Medicare Payment Fact Sheet for COVID-19 Diagnostic Tests \(CMS\)](#)

[Provider Relief Fund Distribution Terms and Conditions and Submission Portals](#) (HHS)

[COVID-19 Relief Funding, Loan Sources, and Obligations Reference Guide](#) (PYA)

[Main Street Lending Program FAQs](#) (Federal Reserve)

[Sources of Financial Support for Healthcare Providers During COVID-19 Pandemic](#) (Jones Day)

[Waiver for Swing Beds as Hospital Service Article](#) (CMS)

[Paycheck Protection Program Loan Forgiveness Application & Instructions](#) (SBA)

PLANNING

[COVID-19 Surge Demand Planning Tool](#) (CDC)

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