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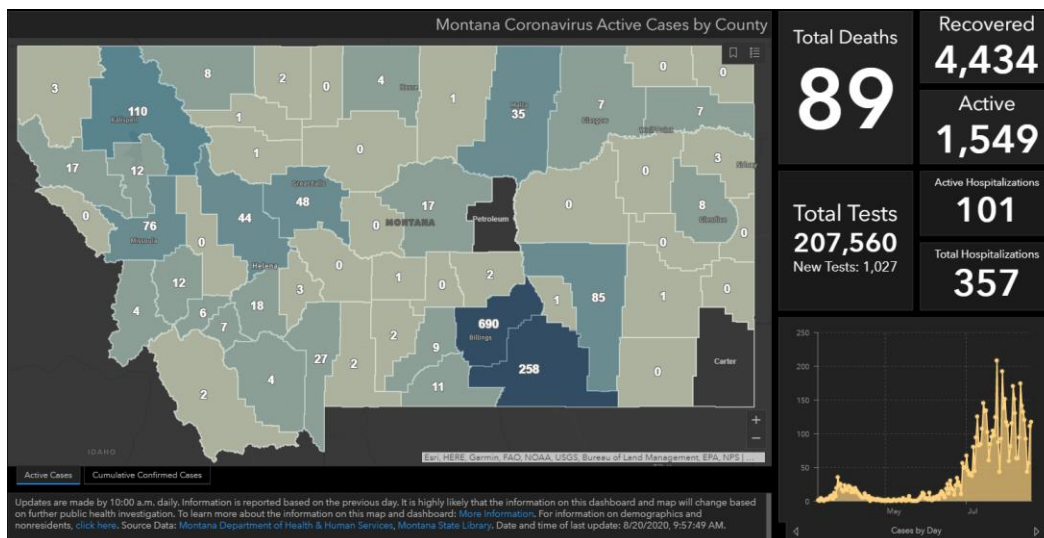


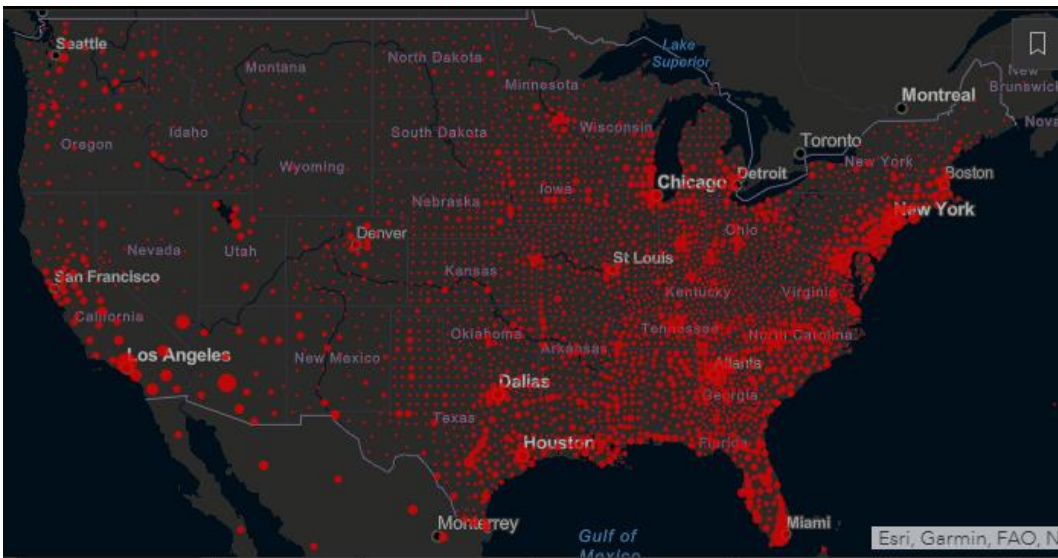
Montana Hospital Association - Situation Report

August 20, 2020

COVID-19

REPORTED CASES	
Montana <i>New in last 24hrs: 117 (+2%)</i> <i>Active Cases: 1,549 (+34)</i> <i>Recovered: 4,434 (+77)</i> <i>Hospitalizations, Total: 357 (+9)</i> <i>Hospitalizations, Active: 101 (-1)</i> <i>Deaths: 89 (Last 24hrs: +5)</i> Source: Montana COVID-19 Dashboard (Updated 10:00 a.m.)	6,072
United States <i>New in last 24hrs: 45,783 (+less than 1%)</i> Source: Johns Hopkins CSSE Global Outbreak Dashboard	5,540,022
WA	68,689
ID	28,690
WY	3,419
ND	9,242
SD	10,566





OPERATIONS

FDA will not require premarket approval or EUA for lab developed COVID-19 tests. Lab developed tests (LTDs) without FDA approval will still remain subject to regulation under CMS Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) and would not be eligible for PREP Act coverage. Under this [policy change](#), any new COVID-19 tests developed by individual laboratories can be used without FDA review, while manufacturer developed tests must still receive FDA approval or EUA.

CDC releases study examining how COVID-19 is affecting American Indians and Alaska Natives. Researchers [found](#) that, in 23 selected states, the cumulative

incidence of laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases among AI/AN was 3.5 times that among non-Hispanic whites. The study underscored the need to prioritize improved data collection as a key strategy to understand and improve health outcomes in these groups.

HHS expands access to childhood vaccines during pandemic. HHS [amended](#) the declaration under the PREP Act to authorize state-licensed pharmacists and pharmacy interns under their supervision to order and administer vaccines to children, subject to certain requirements. The CDC in May [reported](#) a notable drop in routine childhood vaccines ordered and administered through the federal Vaccines for Children program during the public health emergency.

PLANNING

Continue daily data reporting to HHS. HHS recently updated [guidance and frequently asked questions](#) (FAQs) regarding the agency's request for daily COVID-19-related hospital data reporting. These data will be used to inform decisions at the federal level, such as allocation of supplies, treatments and other resources. This daily reporting is the [only mechanism](#) used for the distribution calculations, and daily reports are needed daily to ensure accurate calculations.

Continue resource reporting to State. Until further notice, continue reporting the following data as follows. 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](#): Bed and PPE counts to be reported weekly on Fridays. Use this [survey link](#) weekly to report bed and PPE data.

LOGISTICS

FDA releases tool to help facilities select respirators. The FDA Tuesday released a [resource](#) to help U.S. healthcare providers select respirators for their facility. It includes a flowchart and information to help identify the EUA for specific types of respirators and the performance factors to consider for each type.

NIOSH releases assessment of non-NIOSH N95 respirators. NIOSH has68264-released a [report](#) summarizing the particulate filtration efficiency of non-NIOSH-approved N95 respirators made in other countries and authorized for emergency use during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Submit PPE needs to DES coordinator in order to ensure allocation. Until further notice, healthcare organizations MUST [submit needs to their local DES coordinator](#) in order to receive an allocation of emergency PPE.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Positive COVID-19 lab test required for 20 percent increase in weighting factor. CMS updated the [requirements](#) for the 20 percent increase in weighting factor for hospitals treating and discharging Medicare beneficiaries with COVID-19 to include a positive COVID-19 laboratory test. This is effective for admissions occurring on or after September 1, 2020.

COMMUNICATIONS

AHA releases new content and resources for the Wear A Mask campaign.

Elements of this national [campaign](#) — including a public service announcement and social media resources and toolkit — are [now available](#) for all hospitals and health systems to adapt and use freely.

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 lists and general sources of information on a wide range of COVID-19-related issues

[MHA COVID-19 General Resources page](#)

CLINICAL OPERATIONS

Resources on infection prevention and control, EMS operations, telehealth operations and care for specific populations from federal and state resources

[MHA COVID-19 Clinical Operations page](#)

LONG-TERM CARE & RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES

CDC and CMS resources specific to maintaining safe conditions in long-term care and retirement communities

[MHA COVID-19 Long-Term Care & Retirement Communities page](#)

SUPPLY CHAIN RESOURCES

Resources from AHRMM, AHA, Intalere, CDC and other sources on sourcing, conserving and properly using PPE

[MHA COVID-19 Supply Chain Resources page](#)

WORKFORCE PROTECTION & SUPPORT

MT DLI, CDC, OSHA and NIH toolkits, FAQs and other resources to protect employees and allow staff to return to work

[MHA COVID-19 Workforce Protection & Support page](#)

COMMUNITY MITIGATION STRATEGIES

CDC resources on community mitigation strategies

[MHA COVID-19 Community Mitigation Strategies page](#)

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Guidance, fact sheets and other resources on regulatory waivers and flexibilities in addition to catalogued financing information related to the CARES Act and other COVID-19 funding assistance

[MHA COVID-19 Finance & Administration page](#)

COMMUNICATIONS

Archive of MHA COVID-19 related communications as well as sample communications documents, toolkits and other resources from state and national levels

[MHA COVID-19 Communications page](#)

TESTING

FAQs, recommendations and other CDC, FDA and MT DPHHS resources related to COVID-19 testing

[MHA COVID-19 Testing page](#)

PLANNING

Best practices and planning documents from CDC, facilities on the front lines and MT DPHHS

[MHA COVID-19 Planning page](#)

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