



COVID-19 Daily Update

Maryland Department of Health
Maryland Primary Care Program
Program Management Office

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We have survived this before

~ A poem by Kitty O'Meara's

And the people stayed home..

And the people stayed home. And read books, and listened, and rested, and exercised, and made art, and played games, and learned new ways of being, and were still. And listened more deeply. Some meditated, some prayed, some danced. Some met their shadows. And the people began to think differently.

And the people healed. And, in the absence of people living in ignorant, dangerous, mindless, and heartless ways, the earth began to heal.

And when the danger passed, and the people joined together again, they grieved their losses, and made new choices, and dreamed new images, and created new ways to live and heal the earth fully, as they had been healed.

Lessons learned and positive public health changes after the 1918 flu pandemic

- ❖ Pandemic killed at least 50 million people; 2.5% of the world's population, according to estimates
- ❖ Centralized public healthcare systems created in Russia, Germany, France and the UK, with the US choosing employer-based insurance
- ❖ Revamped public health ministries
- ❖ International public health coordination leading to the development of the World Health Organization

Agenda

- ❖ Today's Morbidity and Mortality Data Update
- ❖ CMS and other Updates
- ❖ Clinical Issues
 - Advance Planning and Directives
 - Resources Overview
- ❖ Roadmap to Recovery and Employment/Volunteer Opportunities
- ❖ Announcements
- ❖ Guest Speakers
- ❖ Q & A
- ❖ Resources Appendix

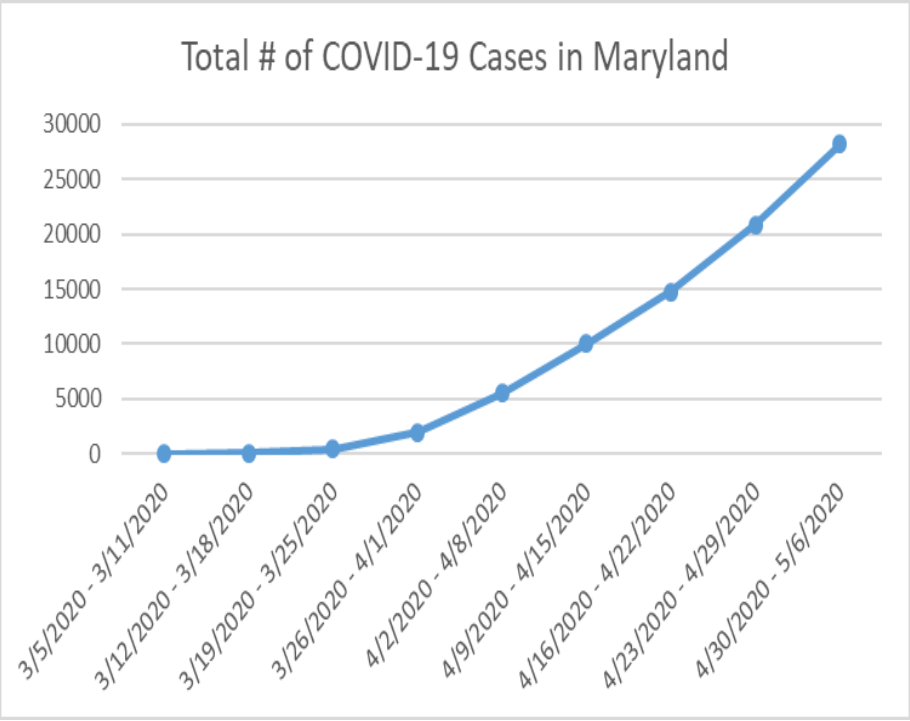
Morbidity and Mortality Update

	New Cases since May 5	Cumulative Cases	Cumulative Hospitalized	Cumulative Deaths
United States		1,171,510 (5/5)		68,279 (5/5)
Maryland	1046	28,163	20%	1338

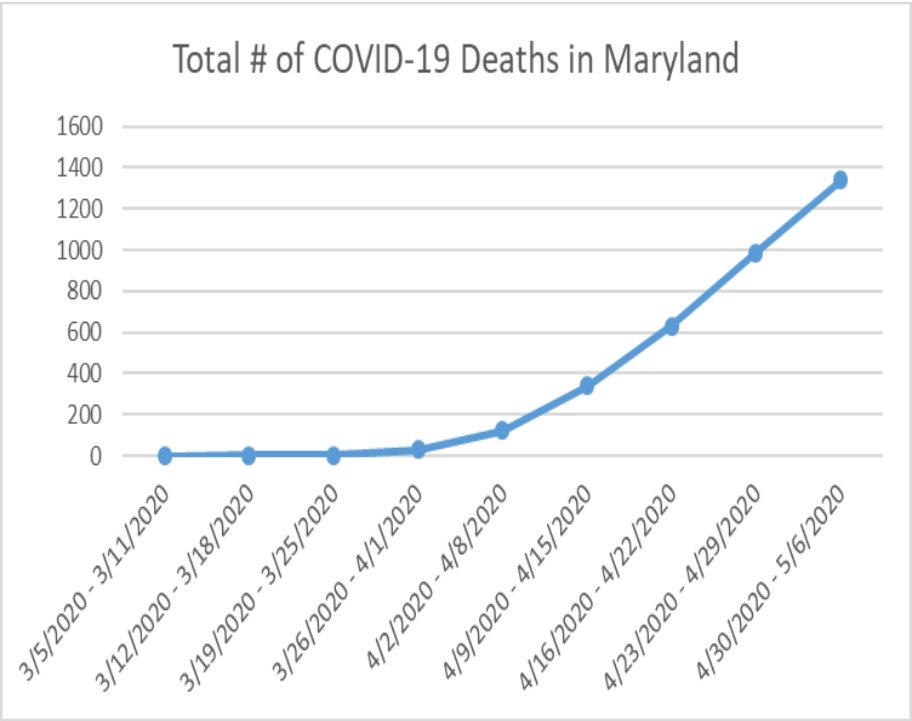
	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80+
Case rate (per 100,000)	598.60	648.89	576.45	550.64	661.84	1037.17
% of cases hospitalized	9.83	14.37	21.72	30.96	41.76	31.77
Rate hospitalized (per 100,000)	58.83	93.25	125.19	170.47	276.38	329.51

Growth of COVID-19 in Maryland

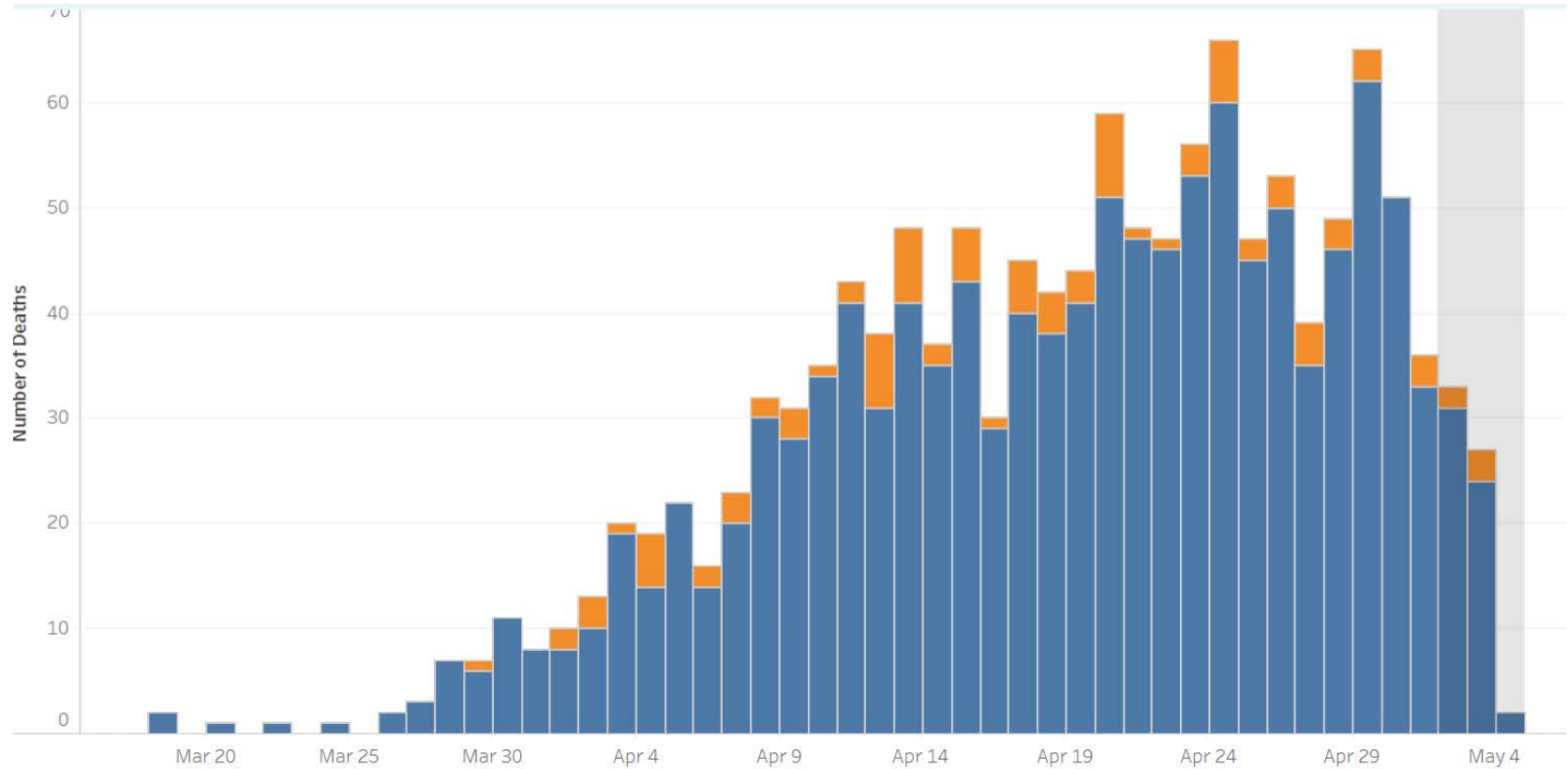
Total # of COVID-19 Cases in Maryland



Total # of COVID-19 Deaths in Maryland



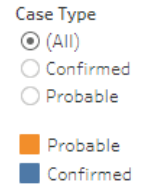
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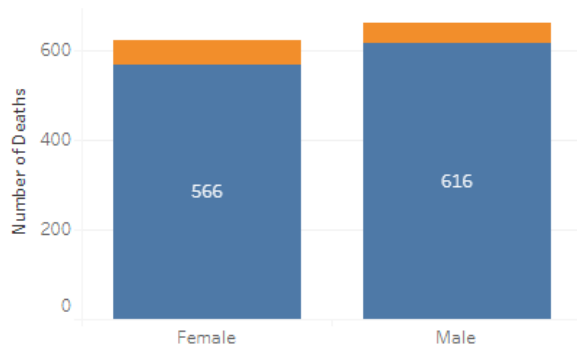
COVID-19 Fatalities

Please note: Numbers are of deaths reported by the Maryland Vital Statistics Administration - Maryland residents only.
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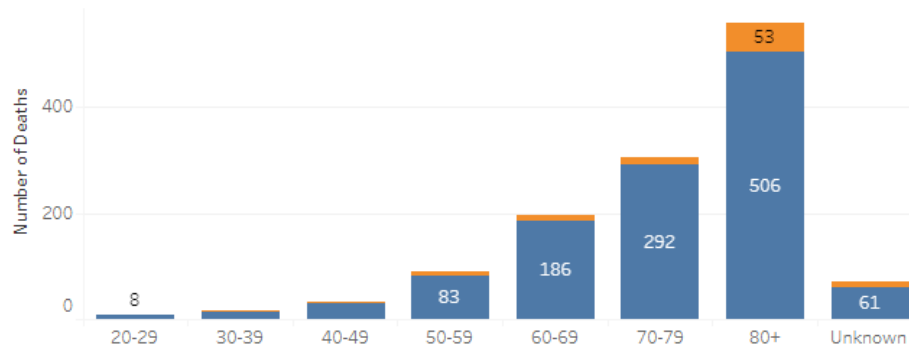
Total Deaths In Maryland: **1,281**



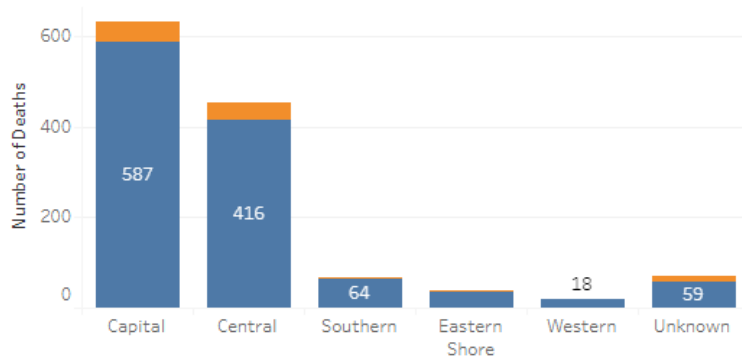
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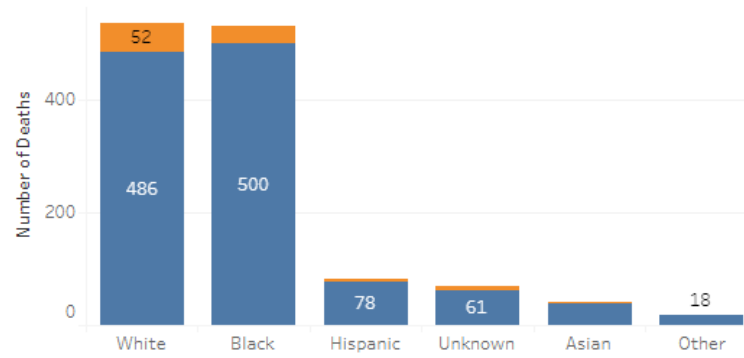
Age Group



MDH Region



Race and Ethnicity



Death Data available through 5/3/2020

Confirmed death: Laboratory-confirmed positive COVID-19 test result

Maryland COVID-19 Cases in Congregate Facility Settings

Confirmed Staff Cases

1,550

Confirmed Staff Deaths

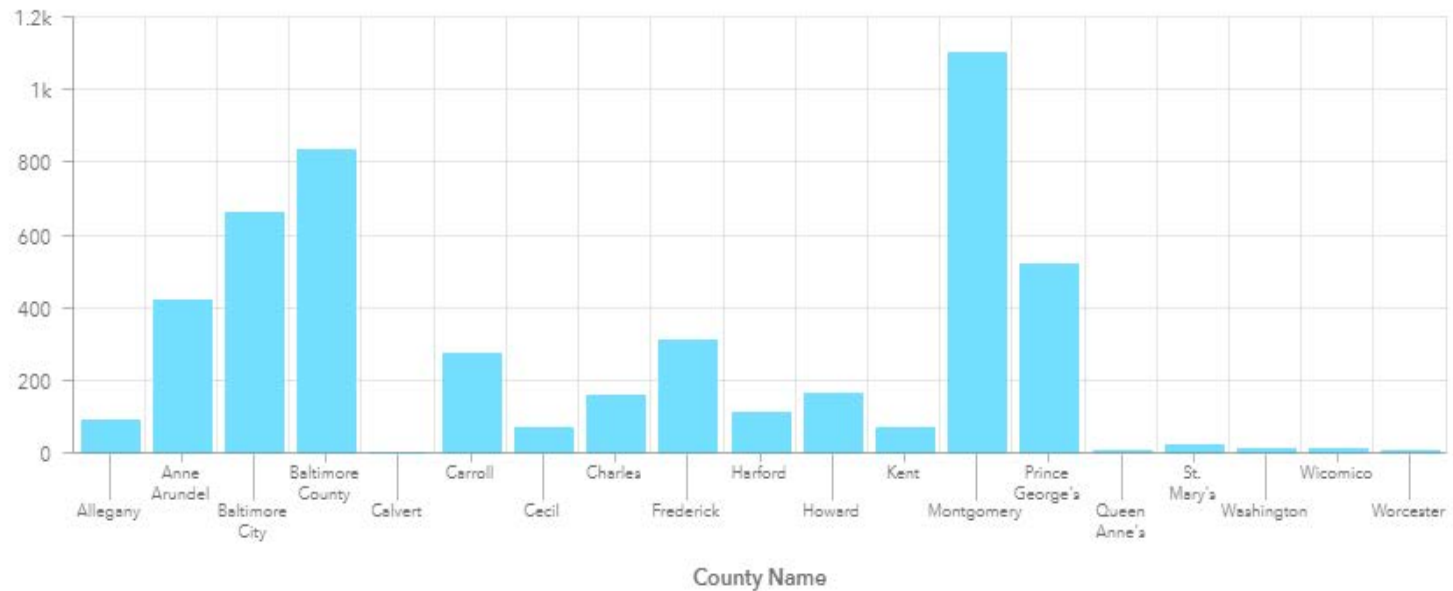
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Confirmed Resident Cases

3,272

Confirmed Resident Deaths

508



Maryland Strong: Roadmap to Recovery

- ❖ Maryland has flattened and lengthened the curve
- ❖ “Roadmap to Recovery” developed based on recovery plans issued by the federal government, the National Governors Association, Johns Hopkins and the American Enterprise Institute, and experts on Maryland’s Coronavirus Response Team
- ❖ <https://governor.maryland.gov/recovery/>
- ❖ 4 building blocks:
 - Expanded testing capacity (On Track)
 - Increased Hospital Surge Capacity (Ahead of Schedule)
 - Ramping up Supply of PPE (On Track)
 - Robust Contact Tracing (On Track)

Governor Hogan's Statement 5/6/20

- ❖ Achievements:
 - Expanded testing
 - More beds for surge capacity
 - PPE supply is growing increasing
 - Hiring hundreds of contact tracers
- ❖ Electives may start at the discretion of healthcare providers; staff and patients must be screened, and physical distancing must be maintained in waiting areas
- ❖ Walking, running, biking, golf, tennis, boating, fishing and camping are allowed
- ❖ Closed activities at state parks and beaches reopening for exercise

State Launches Maryland PPE Network Supplier Portal

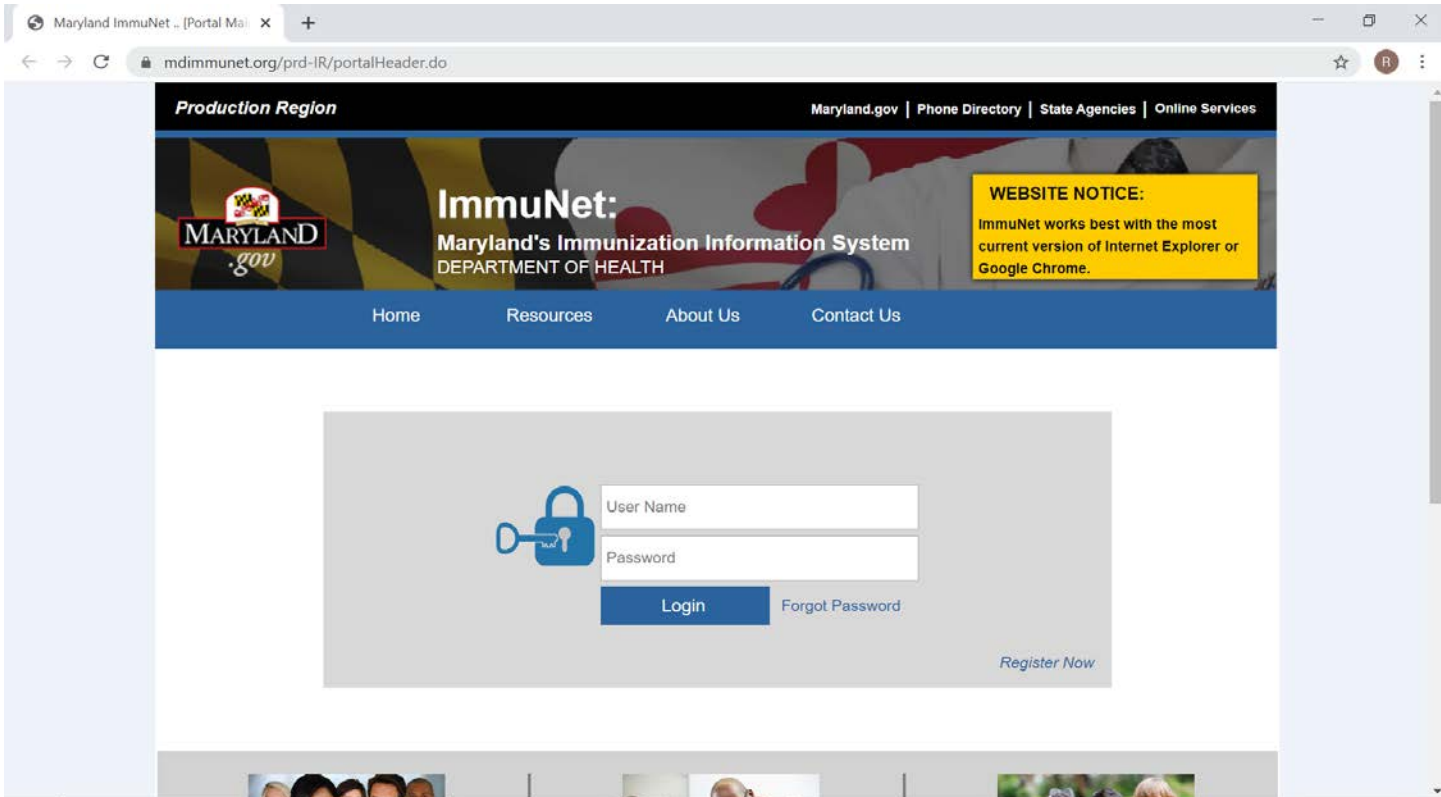
- ❖ Increasing Maryland's supply of PPE – one of the 4 building blocks on the Road to Recovery
- ❖ Maryland has launched the [Maryland Manufacturing Network Supplier Portal](#), an online platform that helps connect Maryland suppliers with buyers in need of critical resources
- ❖ Large daily deliveries come into the state's warehouses
- ❖ For additional business resources during COVID-19, visit businessexpress.maryland.gov/coronavirus

HRSA COVID-19 Uninsured Program Portal

- ❖ New [COVID-19 Uninsured Program Portal](#) - Healthcare providers can claim reimbursement for testing and treating uninsured individuals for COVID-19
- ❖ Providers will be reimbursed, generally at Medicare rates, subject to available funding. Steps will include
 - Enrolling as a provider participant
 - Checking patient eligibility
 - Submitting patient information
 - Submitting claims
 - Receiving payment via direct deposit
- ❖ More info at [COVIDUninsuredClaim.HRSA.gov](#) and the Provider Support Line at [866-569-3522](#).

ImmuNet – sign up NOW to receive COVID-19 vaccine once developed

- ❖ Secure web-based MDoH registry
- ❖ Essential to register NOW to receive vaccine when one will be ready



The screenshot shows the Maryland ImmuNet website. The browser address bar displays "mdimmunet.org/prd-IR/portalHeader.do". The website header includes "Production Region" and navigation links for "Maryland.gov", "Phone Directory", "State Agencies", and "Online Services". The main banner features the Maryland state flag and the text "ImmuNet: Maryland's Immunization Information System" and "DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH". A yellow "WEBSITE NOTICE" box states: "ImmuNet works best with the most current version of Internet Explorer or Google Chrome." Below the banner is a navigation menu with "Home", "Resources", "About Us", and "Contact Us". The central content area contains a login form with a blue padlock icon, "User Name" and "Password" input fields, a "Login" button, and a "Forgot Password" link. A "Register Now" link is located at the bottom right of the form area. The footer shows a row of small images of people.

Important Updated CMS Information

- ❖ Any authorized healthcare professional can now [order](#) COVID-19 tests
- ❖ [Medicare](#) and Medicaid now cover:
 - certain serology (antibody) tests
 - lab processing of certain FDA-authorized [tests](#) that beneficiaries self-collect
- ❖ Nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, and physician assistants can now [provide](#) home health services
- ❖ During the COVID-19 pandemic, CMS has waived limitations on the types of clinical practitioners who can furnish [Medicare telehealth services](#)
- ❖ CMS has:
 - ❖ increased [payments](#) for telephone visits to match those for similar office and outpatient services (effective 3/1/2020)
 - ❖ [waived](#) the video requirement for certain telephone evaluation and management services
- ❖ [List of telehealth services](#) Medicare covers during the public health emergency

The Next Phase - Highlighting Best Practices

- ❖ Delivering Care Safely during ongoing community transmission
- ❖ Protecting Staff and Providers
- ❖ Catering to the most Vulnerable Populations
- ❖ Routine Care for Chronic Conditions
- ❖ Immunizations - routine and COVID-19
- ❖ Laboratory Monitoring
- ❖ COVID-19 Testing
- ❖ COVID-19 Follow-up

Advance planning for medical care is key, especially under COVID-19

- ❖ Treatments and a vaccine against COVID-19 are only in development
- ❖ Early conversations with patients can improve the quality of care
- ❖ Advance care planning often happens too late in a disease course
- ❖ Primary care teams have longitudinal relationships ideal to work with patients on their end-of-life preferences
- ❖ Advance Directives are advised; the MOLST (Medical Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment) required for a range of patients
- ❖ Even if a patient has prepared an advance directive, a MOLST form is needed to implement those orders

Resources in the Appendix Slides

❖ Patients

- Meals on Wheels
- Caregiver Services Corps
- Senior Call Check Program

❖ Providers

- PPE
- Financial Support
- Testing
- Telemedicine
- CDC Guidelines
- Volunteering & Employment Opportunities

Contact Tracing Job Openings

❖ University of Chicago's National Research Opinion Center (NROC) is hiring for Maryland contact tracing:

- [Aberdeen](#)
- [Baltimore](#)
- [Cambridge](#)
- [Chestertown](#)
- [Columbia](#)
- [Cumberland](#)
- [Frederick](#)
- [Hagerstown](#)
- [Silver Spring](#)

Physician Support Line – (888) 409-0141

- ❖ Peer-to-peer national support line; for physicians by physicians
- ❖ Free service staffed by US-licensed volunteer psychiatrists
- ❖ Not focused on COVID-19; all topics may be discussed
- ❖ Open to DO/MD/international equivalents at the attending, fellow, resident, intern, and research levels
- ❖ Currently non-practicing physicians are also welcome
- ❖ Confidential
- ❖ No appointment needed
- ❖ Open every day 8 am until midnight (EST)

MDPCP Staff Training Academy



MedChi approved: 3.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™

New PY1 MDPCP Practices: Virtual Training 001

Friday, May 15 (1:00 pm - 4:00 pm) - Please register [Here](#)

PY2 MDPCP Practices: Virtual Training 002

Friday, May 22 (1:00 pm - 4:00 pm) - Please register: [Here](#)

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- ❖ Please complete an evaluation at: [COVID-19 Update Evaluation](#)

Announcements

- ❖ Learn from our [Frequently Asked Questions page](#)
- ❖ Friday: Dr. Alex Mohseni on Remote Patient Monitoring
- ❖ Future Spotlights
 - Specialty Care & Guest Practitioners
 - Behavioral Health Wednesdays
 - Minority Healthcare & Outcomes Disparities – May 11, 18, 25
 - Pediatrics – May 15 (11:30 am-12:30pm)
- ❖ Today: Dr. Kelly Coble, Program Director Telemental Health Program, U of MD School of Medicine (Introduced by Dr. Aliya Jones, Deputy Secretary Behavioral Health, MDoH)



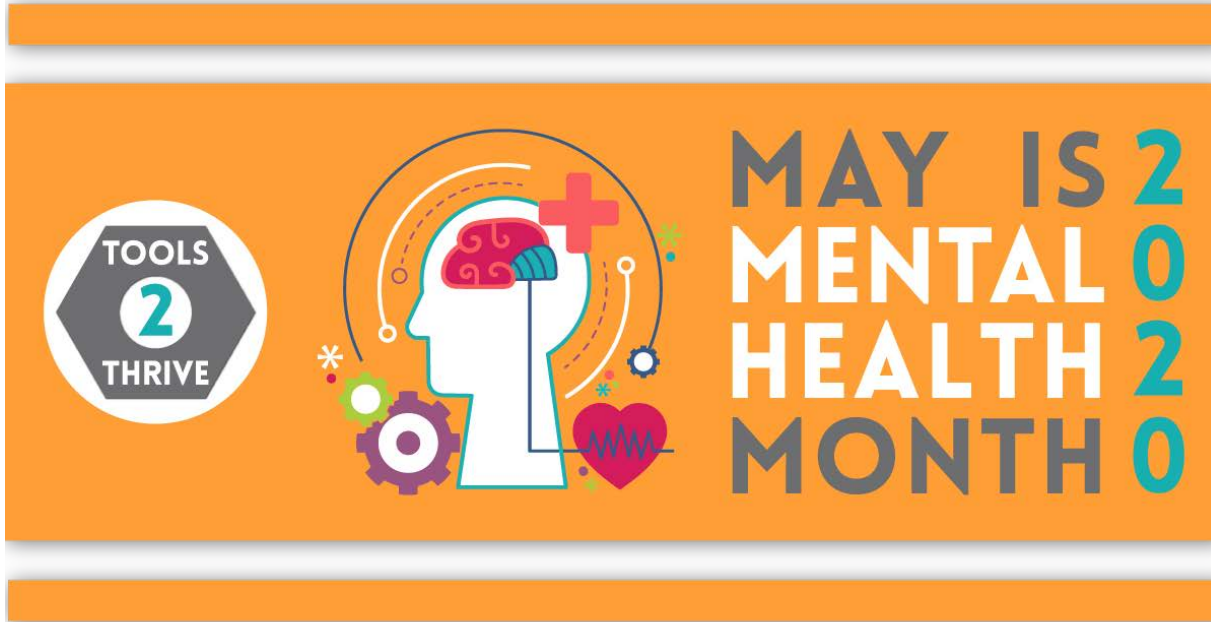
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Supporting our Patients and Ourselves During COVID 19


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TOOLS
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THRIVE



MAY IS 2
MENTAL 0
HEALTH 2
MONTH 0

The banner features a central illustration of a human head profile in white with a blue outline. Inside the head is a red brain with blue and green swirls. A red cross is positioned above the brain. A red heart with a white ECG line is located below the head. To the left of the head are two purple gears and a green gear. The entire illustration is surrounded by dashed lines and small colorful dots. The text 'MAY IS 2 MENTAL 0 HEALTH 2 MONTH 0' is displayed in a bold, sans-serif font on the right side of the banner. The banner itself has a white background with orange horizontal bars at the top and bottom.



Objectives

By the end of this session, learners will be able to:

1. Identify 3 emotional responses that individuals may experience during COVID 19.
2. Give advice to patients to establish and maintain healthy routines.
3. Name 3 resources and/or strategies to promote mental health during COVID-19.

WHAT ANXIETY FEELS AND LOOKS LIKE



- Worry and fears about:
 - Health of self and loved ones
 - Financial concerns
- Changes in sleep and eating patterns
- Difficulty concentrating
- Increased substance use
- Increased physical complaints (e.g., headaches, body pains)
- Regression to things children did when they were younger



Coronavirus is Impacting Parenting Capacities

Figure 1. Parents are Spending More Time in Activities with Their Children Since Coronavirus

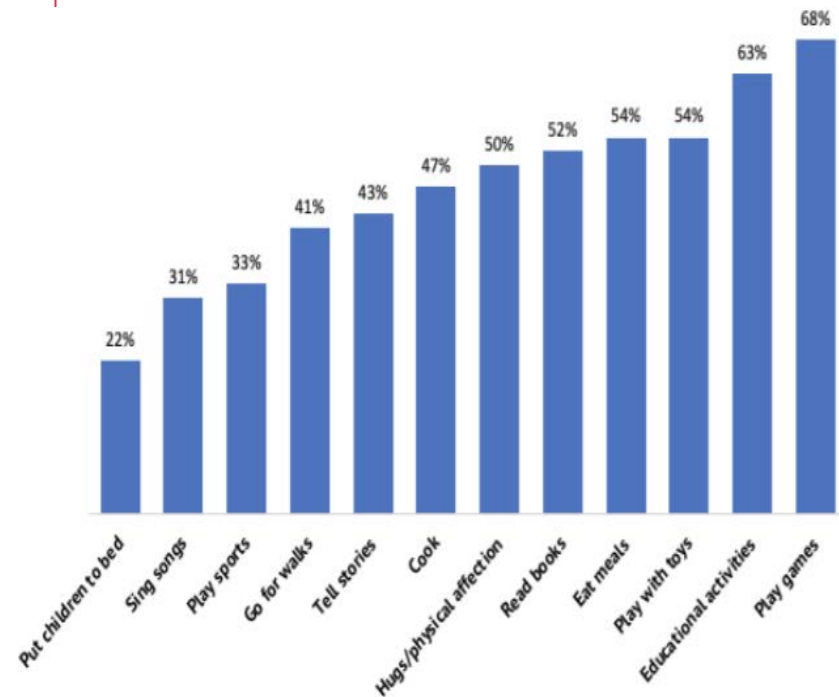
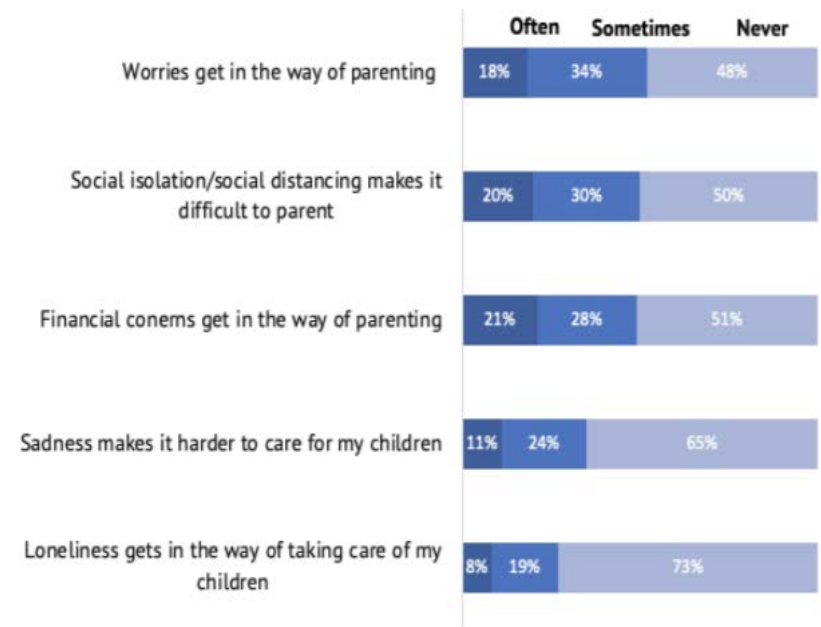


Figure 3. Parenting Stress and Worries Since Coronavirus



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Parenting During the Coronavirus Pandemic

Figure 4. Parental Punishment Since Coronavirus

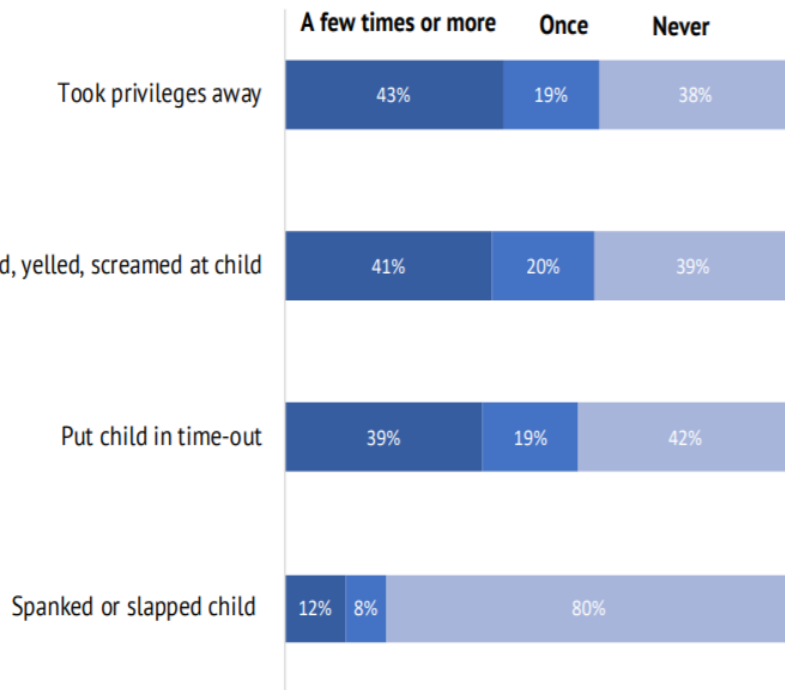
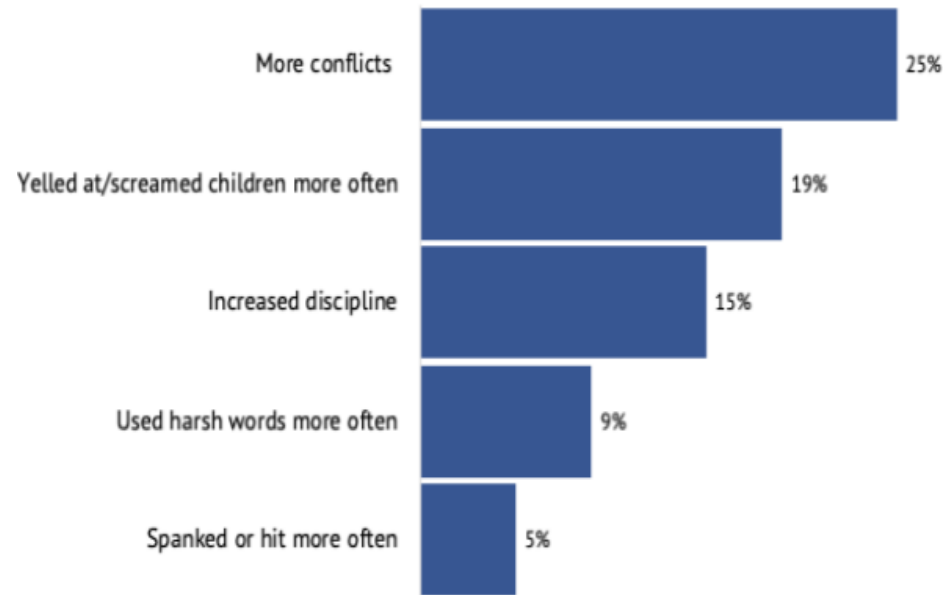


Figure 5. Many Parents are Reporting Increased Child Discipline Since Coronavirus





What Parents are Saying about Parenting during the Coronavirus Pandemic...

- “My younger child is autistic and is struggling with the big changes happening as well as the loss of his therapies. He is more anxious & aggressive than usual.”
- “They [my kids] are confused. They don't understand fully the dangers of a pandemic. They want to play with their friends and are getting annoyed with the same routine at home, and playing only with each other. We are also rationing food and household items, and they are anxious and scared by that. I can see it in their faces and their volunteering to make sacrifices for us.”
- “We are suddenly responsible for 1/3 of the school year's education and we are lost.”
- “I feel I've been somewhat distant even though I've been spending more time with the kids than ever.”



Being Supportive of Parents Efforts During the Pandemic

- In the context of Coronavirus, parents are being asked to take on many new responsibilities, often with limited resources
- Validate parents feelings/concerns – “Its ok to feel anxious/scared/angry/lonely right now”
- Praise parents for their efforts to keep their families safe, healthy, and happy – “I know this is not an easy time for you and your family, but you are handling it the best way that you can”
- Connect parents with support:
 - *Baltimore Providers: 24 Hr Parenting HelpLine 1-800-243-7337, The Family Tree*



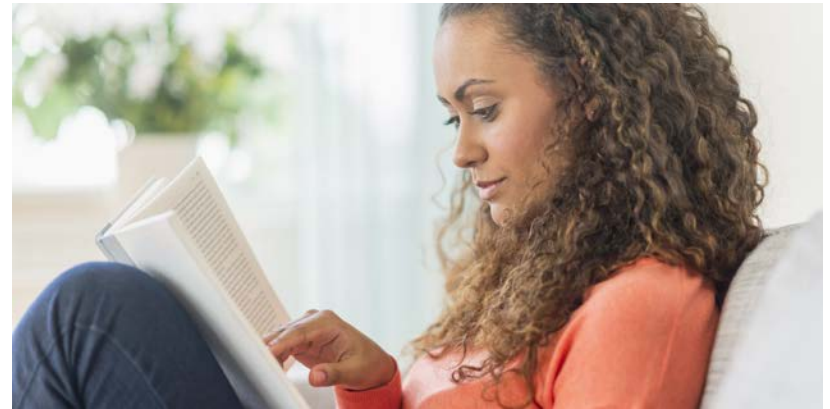
Supportive Strategies: Regular Routines

- What are routines?
 - Behaviors that are regularly practiced
 - Examples: reading to children before bed, daily chores, maintaining hygiene practices, eating dinner together
 - Build in time for social connection (particularly for individuals who may be alone)
- How does this help?
 - Help children feel safe and in control of their lives
 - Reduces stress
 - Provides structure and prevent boredom



Attend to Emotional and Mental Well-Being

- Limiting media exposure
 - Children
 - Older Adults
 - All of us!
- Maintain regular sleep schedule
- Try to eat healthy foods
- Take a break to breath and relax
- Maintain social connections (despite social distance)
 - Phone
 - Video





CALM DOWN WITH TAKE 5 BREATHING



How do you feel now?
Are you calm or would you like to take another 5 breaths?

1. Stretch your hand out like a star.
2. Get the pointer finger of your other hand ready to trace your fingers up and down.
3. Slide up each finger slowly ~ slide down the other side.
4. Breathe in through your nose ~ out through your mouth.
5. Put it together and breathe in as you slide up and breathe out as you slide down.

Keep going until you have finished tracing your hand.



Role of Physician Leaders

- Supporting Physician and Staff Emotional Well Being
 - EAP program
- Encouraging Social Connection
<https://www.peerrxmed.com/>
- Implementing the use of Telemedicine when possible to increase ease and access for patient and provider
- <https://www.ama-assn.org/delivering-care/public-health/caring-our-caregivers-during-covid-19>





Increased Safety Concerns During COVID 19

- Increase in stress due to loss of resources
 - [National Domestic Hotline](#) | (800) 799-7233
- Loss of access to shelters
 - [Crisis Text Line](#) | Text HOME to 741741
 - Worry about going to the ER
- Loss of connection to support systems
- Change in way patients can access BH services
 - BH/SUD care considerations



Resources

- Alcoholics Anonymous Online Groups:
 - https://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/options-for-meeting-online
- Narcotics Anonymous Online Meetings:
 - <https://virtual-na.org/>
- Maryland Department of Health, Behavioral Health Administration resource listing:
<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/publish?EQBCT=a47b214c02f145caabe091beb1ff816a>
- Suicide Hotlines:
 - <http://www.suicide.org/hotlines/maryland-suicide-hotlines.html>

Strategies to Help Families During Coronavirus: Resources for Safe Online and Offline Activities for Children

Reading Activities

- Free children's stories: stories.audible.com
- More stories: <https://www.storylineonline.net/>
- Free books for young children: <https://imaginationlibrary.com/>
- For older children: <https://about.readworks.org/parents.html>

Math and Science Activities

- Math activities: <http://bedtimemath.org/fun-math-at-home/>
- Science activities: <https://californiasciencecenter.org/stuck-at-home-science>
- For older children: <https://about.readworks.org/parents.html>

Physical activities

- Helping kids stay active: <https://www.gonoodle.com>
- Mindfulness/yoga for kids: <https://cosmickids.com>
- <https://www.yoremikids.com/app>
- <https://fluencyandfitness.com/>

Other Fun and Educational Activities

- <https://pbskids.org/>
- <https://www.education.com/games/>
- <https://www.starfall.com/h/>
- <https://www.khanacademy.org/>
- <https://www.abcmouse.com/>
- <https://www.adventureacademy.com/>

Specific to COVID-19

- <https://sesamestreetincommunities.org/topics/health-emergencies/>





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Q&A

Questions and Answers

Please type into the Questions box on the right side of your screen.

Appendix

Resources and Links

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Requests

- ❖ Routed through Local Health Departments
- ❖ Priority as previously stated - may change over time
- ❖ Remain in scarce supply

- ❖ [PPE request forms and local contacts](#)
- ❖ [PPE Supplier List](#)

COVID-19 Testing Site Information

- ❖ Patients require a provider order for referral to testing sites
- ❖ Providers contact your local hospital or use the link below
- ❖ Sites are subject to host location restrictions and availability
- ❖ MD is also piloting drive-thru testing at several Vehicle Emissions Inspections Program (VEIP) locations – [FAQs available here](#).
- ❖ Current list of testing sites, please click [here](#)

CDC Guidelines for COVID Patient Management

- ❖ Healthy people can be monitored, self-isolated at home
- ❖ People at higher risk should contact healthcare providers early, even if illness is mild
- ❖ Older adults and people with severe underlying chronic medical conditions are at higher risk, need closer contact
- ❖ Emergency Department and Hospitals only when needed - not for screening or low risk/minimal disease
- ❖ **Guidelines are important and powerful tools, but remember providers' clinical experience and judgment are key to care**

Billing for End-of-Life Planning

- ❖ Billable event with AWW or Separate Encounter
- ❖ 99497 - Advance care planning including the explanation and discussion of advance directives such as standard forms (with completion of such forms, when performed), by the physician or other qualified healthcare professional; first 30 minutes, face-to-face with the patient, family member(s), and/or surrogate
- ❖ 99498 - Advance care planning including the explanation and discussion of advance directives such as standard forms (with completion of such forms, when performed), by the physician or other qualified healthcare professional; each additional 30 minutes (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)

Support for Patients at Home

❖ Food

- Meals on Wheels

❖ Caregivers

- Visiting nurses and caregivers

❖ Emotional support

- Support from family
- Phone calls and videochat to fight loneliness
- MD Department of Aging [Senior Call Check Program](#)

Caregiver Services Corps (CSC)



- ❖ The **CSC** call center (**800-337-8958**), staffed with specialists 7 days a week, matches volunteers to senior citizens in their homes to help with:
 - Individuals' self-administration of medications
 - Ambulation and transferring
 - Bathing and completing personal hygiene routines
 - Meal preparation and arranging for delivery of groceries and/or prepared meals
 - Teaching how to use video technologies to connect with loved ones and/or healthcare providers
- ❖ Healthcare providers should alert their patients they are being referred
- ❖ Seniors, their families and friends may call 211 to seek help and referrals to the elderly in need
- ❖ Operates in Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot, Caroline, Dorchester, Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties with plans to expand elsewhere

Hospital Surge Preparedness

- ❖ Convention Center needs medical staff – Visit <https://www.linkedin.com/jobs/view/1788387174>
- ❖ Tents and Modular Units - including ICUs
- ❖ Expansion within facilities
- ❖ Professional student staffing
- ❖ Employment opportunities for healthcare professional and support staff: www.MarylandMedNow.com

Opportunities to Volunteer and Serve

- ❖ Volunteer staffing opportunities - Maryland Responds Medical Reserve Corps (MRMRC)
 - <https://mdresponds.health.maryland.gov/>
 - Complete [Road to Readiness](#)

Staying Current - Sources

- ❖ [CDC](#)
- ❖ [MDH COVID-19 information page](#)
- ❖ [MDPCP COVID-19 webpage](#)
- ❖ Local Health Departments
- ❖ [CONNECT](#)
- ❖ Clinician Letters
- ❖ Multiple Resource Links in Appendix

MedChi/CareFirst/Backline Grant

CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield (CareFirst) and the Maryland State Medical Society (MedChi) launched a grant program that will equip additional Maryland physicians with the technology they need to provide needed virtual care during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond

Eligibility Requirements

- The medical practice and medical license are in Maryland
- The medical practice is a private, independent group of five or fewer physicians
- The practice enrolls in Backline after March 1, 2020 as the result of the COVID-19 crisis
- MedChi has confirmed the practice's enrollment with DrFirst
- Enrollment in Backline occurs before December 31, 2020

Application Steps

Can be completed in less than 5 minutes

- Complete the application linked [here](#)
- Email completed application to amullin@medchi.org
- For questions, email or call Andrea Mullin at amullin@medchi.org or 800-492-1056 x3340

Grant Amount

\$300 per eligible physician



Federal Emergency Funds for Small Business

- ❖ [Disaster Loan Assistance](#) (from Small Business Administration)
 - Low-interest financial disaster loans for working capital in small businesses suffering substantial economic injury due to COVID-19
 - [FAQs](#)
- ❖ [CARES Act](#) (pending federal legislation)
 - Sets up a \$350 billion loan program for small businesses
 - Small businesses can apply for low-interest loans that cover up to 2.5 months of expenses
 - Maximum loan amount is \$10 million
 - Loans can cover payroll, rent, utilities, or existing debt obligations
 - Interest rates cannot exceed 4%
 - If employer continues to pay workers through June, the amount of the loans that went toward eligible costs would be forgiven
 - Loans will be available through the [Small Business Administration](#) and Treasury-approved banks, credit unions, and some nonbank lenders

State Emergency Funds for Small Business

- ❖ [COVID-19 Layoff Aversion Fund](#) (from Maryland Governor Larry Hogan and Maryland Dept. of Labor)
 - Designed to support businesses undergoing economic stresses due to the pandemic by minimizing the duration of unemployment resulting from layoffs
 - Award of up to \$50,000 per applicant
 - Will be quick deployable benefit and customizable to specific business needs
- ❖ [View the One-Pager](#)
- ❖ [COVID-19 Layoff Aversion Fund Policy](#)
- ❖ [COVID-19 Layoff Aversion Fund Application](#) (Excel)
- ❖ Submit your completed application to: LaborCOVID19.layoffaversion@maryland.gov.

Food Resources

❖ Nutrition: Inform patients that children can receive three free meals/day at sites listed on:

➤ [Maryland Summer Meals](#)

[Howard County](#)

➤ [Montgomery County](#)

[Anne Arundel County](#)

➤ [Prince Georges County](#)

[St. Mary's County](#)

➤ [Charles County](#)

[Harford County](#)

➤ [Frederick County](#)

[Calvert County](#)

❖ Free meals available from 42 rec centers in Baltimore

➤ Call 311 for locations and to schedule pickup time

Resources for Specific Groups

- ❖ Community- and Faith-Based Organizations
(<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-community-faith-organizations.html>)
- ❖ Mass Gatherings and Large Community Events
(<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/mass-gatherings-ready-for-covid-19.html>)
- ❖ Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions for Specific Groups
(<https://www.cdc.gov/nonpharmaceutical-interventions/index.html>)

Resources and References

- ❖ Maryland Department of Health Coronavirus Website (<https://coronavirus.maryland.gov>)
- ❖ CDC Coronavirus Website (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>)
- ❖ CDC National data on COVID-19 infection and mortality (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/cases-in-us.html>)
- ❖ CDC Interim Guidance for Homes and Communities (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-prevent-spread.html>)
- ❖ CDC Interim Guidance for Businesses (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/specific-groups/guidance-business-response.html>)
- ❖ CDC Interim Guidance for Childcare and Schools (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/specific-groups/guidance-for-schools.html>)
- ❖ CDC Travel Website (<https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/>)

State Emergency Funds for Small Business

- ❖ [Maryland Small Business COVID-19 Emergency Relief Loan Fund](#)
 - \$75 million loan fund (to be paid to for-profit business only)
 - Loans are up to \$50,000
 - No interest or principal payments due for the first 12 months
 - Thereafter converts to 36-month term loan of principal and interest payments, with interest rate of 2% per annum
- ❖ [Maryland Small Business COVID-19 Emergency Relief Grant Fund](#)
 - \$50 million grant program for businesses and non-profits
 - Grant amounts of up to \$10,000
 - Grant amounts not to exceed three months of demonstrated cash operating expenses for Q1 2020
- ❖ [Emergency Relief Fund FAQ](#)
- ❖ Questions or concerns
email fpaaworkflowcoordinator.commerce@maryland.gov.