

# HEALTHCARE COUNCIL REGIONAL COVID-19 UPDATE

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We have reached the end of another week. Please find some important updates below.



## New National Guidelines, Information, and Policies Updates:

- The CMS report from May 7 includes updated information about notification requirements for confirmed or suspected COVID-19 cases in nursing homes. [Read the News Alert](#).
- The Food and Drug Administration has withdrawn approval for more than 60 Chinese manufacturers to send N95-style masks to the United States after reporting a large number of low-quality products. The number of approved companies is now 14, down from nearly 80.
- The American Hospital Association is urging members to [contact their local members of Congress](#) regarding the next round of COVID-19 legislation.
- More warnings from Medicare about [potential fraud schemes](#) related to COVID-19.

## Regional Information and Information for Hospitals:

Developments from around the MD-DC-VA area.

- Area cases in our region continue to rise. There are nearly 57,000 total cases with over 2500 deaths.
- Maryland and Virginia have started a gradual re-opening of areas that have been closed. But DC Mayor Muriel Bowser says re-openings will not start until there is a sustained decline in new cases.
- Beginning yesterday, Maryland hospitals may now perform elective surgeries. This comes as a new report shows regional hospitals have seen a sharp decline in emergency room visits.
- Maryland regulators have fined a nursing home in La Plata \$10,000 a day, saying it failed to protect residents. The 165-bed facility has the most coronavirus deaths in a nursing home in the state.
- HHS released a database of payments from the CARES ACT General Distribution Fund. Here is a list of the top 3 healthcare providers from our region based on money received:
  - ◆ **DC:**
    - *Washington Hospital Center Corporation [WASHINGTON, DC] - \$26,786,994*
    - *Medstar Georgetown Medical Center [WASHINGTON, DC] - \$18,076,940*
    - *Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School For Deaconesses & Missionaries [WASHINGTON, DC] - \$7,568,154*
  - ◆ **MD:**
    - *Adventist Healthcare [SILVER SPRING, MD] - \$15,792,312*
    - *Peninsula Regional Medical Center [SALISBURY, MD] - \$15,045,802*

*Anne Arundel Medical Center [ANNAPOLIS, MD] - \$14,203,756*

- ◆ VA:
  - *Inova Health Care Services [FAIRFAX, VA] - \$49,179,728*
  - *Sentara Hospitals [HAMPTON, VA] - \$41,901,820*
  - *Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority [RICHMOND, VA] - \$20,444,763*
- ◆ WV:
  - *West Virginia University Hospitals Inc [MORGANTOWN, WV] - \$22,285,062*
  - *Charleston Area Medical Center [CHARLESTON, WV] - \$17,376,553*
  - *Cabell Huntington Hospital Inc [HUNTINGTON, WV] - \$11,421,627*
- ◆ DE:
  - *Christiana Care Health Services Inc [WILMINGTON, DE] - \$35,618,488*
  - *The Nemours Foundation [WILMINGTON, DE] - \$14,652,048*
  - *Bayhealth Medical Center Inc [DOVER, DE] - \$12,342,554*

### **Purchasing through National Capital Area Shared Services:**

Contact us directly at **301-731-4700** if there are ways we can help you get the supplies you need.

- **The Healthcare Council** continues to connect healthcare facilities with the supplies they need. We distributed nearly 50,000 isolation masks yesterday from a shipment that was delivered to our office.
- **Companies working to identify fraudulent materials:** 3M, Amazon, and Pfizer (among others) are partnering with the U.S. Customs Enforcement to [curtail counterfeit medical equipment from coming into the country](#).
- **Premier, Inc.** put out a Thank You video, which we linked to last week. If you missed it, [here is another link](#).

### **Education, Learning, and Resources**

Updates and details below

- **The Healthcare Council Divisional Meeting** - Join us for a follow-up videoconference discussion concerning COVID-19 workforce needs at healthcare organizations across the metropolitan D.C. area (MD, DC, and VA), Monday, May 11, 3 p.m. Please send any questions you would like to discuss in the upcoming videoconference to Christopher Howard ([cnhoward@healthcare-council.org](mailto:cnhoward@healthcare-council.org)) by 5:00pm EST, today May 8. Discussion moderation will be led by HR Division Chair, Mary Jo Schweickhardt. Please use the following information to access the videoconference meeting. <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEsd-qpz0qHtcUkvnjrj25UUMhyud3H62tN>
- **AscellaHealth**, one of our partners, offers valuable and timely information on drug therapy issues impacting today's health care and pharmacy environment. Visit their website at <https://www.ascellahealth.com/clinical-bulletins> for details.

### **General Information and Data Sources:**

Resources for National and Regional Up-to-the-Minute Data and Information:

- [Johns Hopkins University global COVID-19 Tracker](#)
- Latest Case data for each state can be found at these websites:
  - ◆ [Maryland](#)
  - ◆ [Virginia](#)
  - ◆ [District of Columbia](#)
  - ◆ [West Virginia](#)
- State Hospital Association information can be found at these websites:
  - ◆ [Maryland Hospital Association](#)
  - ◆ [Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association](#)
  - ◆ [DC Hospital Association](#)
  - ◆ [West Virginia Hospital Association](#)
- [Morning Consult Resource Page](#)

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