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The weekly COVID-19 Update highlights stories and information that might be of interest to healthcare organizations in the DC/MD/VA region. We offer this as a service to our members and other interested parties.

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Guidelines, Information, and Policies Updates

- DC is nearing their stated goal of 70% of residents vaccinated, but racial disparities among those vaccinated are evident and the city wants to do something about it. [Washington Post has more here.](#)
- The *Washington Post Magazine* has a terrific story found [here](#) that tries to capture the spirit of nurses on the front lines in words...and in oil portrait paintings!
- Scientists have found clues that the world's leading COVID-19 vaccines offer lasting protection that could diminish the need for frequent booster shots. [More details here.](#)
- Meanwhile, vaccination rates are falling across the country. This is partly to be expected as more Americans receive the vaccine, but it may make it difficult for the Biden Administration to reach their goal of 70% of Americans vaccinated by July 4. Details and trends [here.](#)
- In response to the above story, the Biden Administration is coming up with some creative ways to encourage people to get vaccinated. [Read more here.](#)
- [AHA Special Bulletin](#): The AHA will connect hospitals and health systems with businesses interested in vaccinating their employees as part of an effort to increase COVID-19 vaccinations across the country.
- The experimental drug TEMPOL may be a promising oral antiviral treatment for COVID-19, suggests a study of cell cultures by researchers at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). [HPN has more here.](#)

Education, Learning, and Resources

- **White House Virtual Event, June 11, 2021:** The White House COVID-19 Response Team and the U.S. Surgeon General invite hospital and health system leaders, primary care providers, and state and local health officials to a **virtual event Friday, June 11, from 3 to 4 p.m. ET** to discuss the next phase of the COVID-19 vaccination rollout. Click [here](#) for link.

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](#)



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