# Big Bend Health Care Coalition COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT #26

## JULY 15, 2020



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BBHCC After Action Report Writing for Real World Events (like COVID) – Virtual Workshop

CMS COVID-19 Lessons from the Front Lines Call – Friday, July 17

#### CURRENT\* COVID-19 CASES IN BIG BEND REGION <sup>\*updated as of 7.15.2020 at 11:00am</sup> 7-day avg. Current COVID Current COVID COUNTY new cases Hospitalizations **Fatalities** Calhoun 9 Franklin Π Π 4 20 9 Gadsden Gulf 6 2 0 5 Jackson 30 36 Jefferson 4 Π Δ 61 61 10 Leon Liberty 31 Π Madison 66 Π 205 Taylor Π Wakulla 33 0



One Blood is asking for individuals who have recovered from COVID-19 to donate plasma. For more information, click here.

## **GOVERNOR DESANTIS' EXECUTIVE ORDERS**

For resource requests in your county please contact your local emergency management office.



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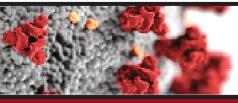
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### STATEWIDE CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY

- We are learning more about anti-body testing. Anti-bodies typically take 2 weeks to develop IgM and 4 weeks to develop IgG. The current positivity rate for anti-body test is around 9.5%.
- Positive cases vary on different days of the week and this is due to how lab are reporting those numbers. Some labs report Friday Sunday and some report Monday Wednesday.
- We are seeing a steading incline in COVID like illnesses in emergency department visits. We are also seeing a decrease in morbidity data.
- We are seeing a steady increase in hospitalization numbers. Facilities should plan for this trend to continue through the foreseeable future.
- Remdesivir allocations are determined to the state by the Federal Government. Shipments will come straight from the manufacture to the hospitals. This medication is proving most useful in patients that require oxygen and are not ventilated or on ECMO.
- AHCA is well aware of the challenges hospitals are facing with decompression. LTC facilities are continuing to expand and the state now has 16 dedicated facilities with over 1.000 beds.
- Dequest for additional staffing should continue to go through local emergency manage
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- Prior authorization for Medicaid for transferring patients has been lifted.



Big Bend HCC Situation Reports will now be going out once a week on Wednesdays.

## ESS INFORMATION FOR REPORTING FACILITIES

- ESS is critically important for the State to anticipate demand in the hospital & sub-acute care setting. This data influences decisions on the need for additional support and equipment requests from federal government.
- Facilities MUST verify and update data once daily.
- ESS is adding more fields daily. Instructions on these new fields available on the AHCA ESS website.
- Hospitals should estimate the number of med surge beds that can be converted to ICU beds. Do not duplicate bed numbers in different categories. Start with highest acuity beds.
- Corporate Representatives can be established to monitor data entry at individual facilities. Contact AHCA for assistance

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## SURGEON GENERAL'S PRIORITIES

## Florida's 5 STEPS to Prevent COVID-19

#### **STOP INTRODUCTION**

Stop Introduction into Florida from out of state.



**TEST, TEST, TEST** Leverage testing capabilities & work to expand capacity.



**ELDERLY & VULNERABLE PROTECTION** Protect the elderly by increased mitigation

and messaging at assisted living centers, nursing homes, and other special facilities.

#### PREPARE HOSPITALS

Assess the potential impacts and course of action for hospitals and bed capacity.

#### **SOCIAL DISTANCING** Continue to message social distancing.

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## **REOPENING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES**

CDC Guidance for Reopening Childcare, Schools and Youth Programs Interim Considerations for K-I2 Administrations and COVID Testing CDC Guidance for Reopening Colleges and Universities Interim Considerations for Higher Education and COVID Testing CDC One-Stop Shop



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Medicaid Change Approved to Aid Hospital Capacity

