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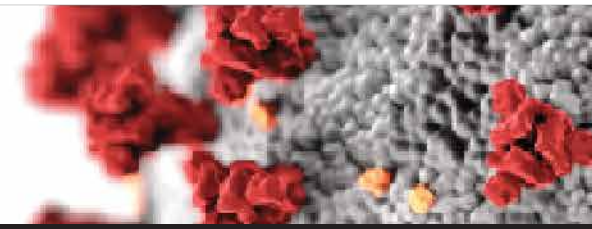# COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT #45

COVID-19 Vaccines in Florida

COVID-19 Vaccination Communication Toolkit

Cold Storage Cyber Custodial Care

Critical Questions and Considerations for Cold Chain, Storage and Dry Ice Operations

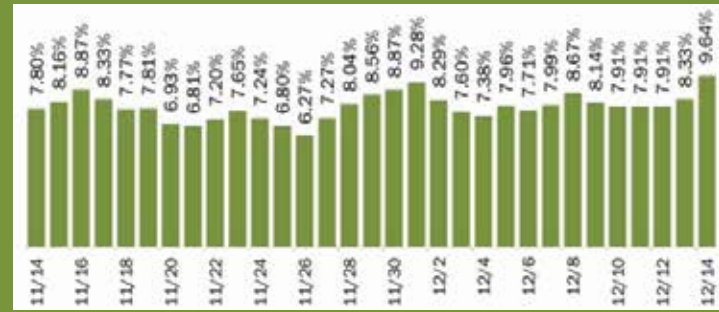Physical Security for Cold Storage Locations

Primer on Safe and Efficient Handling of Dry Ice

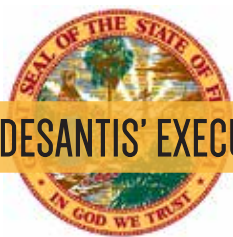## CURRENT* COVID-19 CASES IN BIG BEND REGION
*updated as of 12.16.2020 at 11:00am

COUNTY	New cases past 7 days	Current COVID Hospitalizations	Total COVID Fatalities
Calhoun	63	1	24
Franklin	11	0	4
Gadsden	119	0	58
Gulf	39	1	24
Jackson	124	21	107
Jefferson	38	0	12
Leon	904	46	167
Liberty	24	0	14
Madison	75	0	30
Taylor	63	0	23
Wakulla	75	0	21

NEW CASE POSITIVITY RATE

Date	Rate
11/14	7.80%
	8.16%
11/16	8.87%
	8.33%
11/18	7.77%
	7.81%
11/20	6.93%
	6.81%
11/22	7.20%
	7.65%
11/24	7.24%
	6.80%
11/26	6.27%
	7.27%
11/28	8.04%
	8.56%
11/30	8.87%
	9.28%
12/2	8.29%
	7.60%
12/4	7.38%
	7.96%
12/6	7.71%
	7.99%
12/8	8.67%
	8.14%
12/10	7.91%
	7.91%
12/12	7.91%
	8.33%
12/14	9.64%

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

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

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State Conference Call Summary

- First vaccine doses have now been administered as of December 14th. Following these doses. we will begin to see a rapid increase as more of the vaccine is distributed throughout the nation.

- The positivity rate has been trending around 6 and 9% post over the past several weeks. The RT value is at 1.11 meaning we are continuing to see a spread of COVID-19. Mitigation measures remain important and please encourage everyone to continue washing their hands. wearing their masks. and socially distancing.

- Various therapeutic medications are standard throughout the state in many hospitals and are proven to work. while also helping to lessen hospitalization rates. These measures remain most effective in those older than 65. those with diabetes or those with BMIs typically over 30%.

- New CDC guidance for quarantine measures for those exposed to individuals with COVID-19 have been released. The updated guidance lessens the quarantine time from 14 days to 10 days pending test results after 5 and 7 days. This guidance does not apply to those working in healthcare settings. Those individuals are still recommended to quarantine for 14 days if exposed.

- There is a variety of vaccine information on the FDOH website regarding the prioritization of vaccine distribution. Currently. the priority remains with two groups: front line health workers such as ER staff. or those highly exposed to COVID-19 or individuals working in LTC / ALF settings.

- The Moderna Vaccine is scheduled to go to the FDA this week for approval and we could see allocations as early as next week. If you did not receive the Pfizer vaccine. assuming you are registered as a vaccine provider. you will receive the Moderna vaccine once it is approved.

- If you are a hospital that would like to vaccinate but are not registered in SHOTs. please reach out to FDOH for assistance with that process.

- It is asked that all vaccinations be entered into SHOTS within 24 hours at the latest. If possible. please enter your vaccinations each day by 9PM so we can have the most updated live data.

- Flu and COVID vaccines should be spaced apart by 14 days if possible.

- ESS has new fields for high-risk employees and patients at risk of exposure. so please fill that out accurately. ESS will also have a field where facilities can enter the number of their staff that have been vaccinated.

CAN YOU MAKE THE COVID-19 VACCINE MANDATORY FOR YOUR NON-PROFIT EMPLOYEES?

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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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