

COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT # 21



CHAMP ♦ North Central ♦ Northeast Florida Healthcare Coalitions
 Tuesday, April 21, 2020

Current COVID-19 NUMBERS BY COUNTY (4/21 @ 6 pm)			
	Total Cases	Hospitalizations* Residents/Non-Residents	Deaths
Alachua	224	28/2	1
Baker	17	7/0	3
Bradford	42	9/0	2
Clay	256	49/0	11
Columbia	43	5/0	0
Dixie	4	2/0	0
Duval	909	79/3	17
Flagler	78	8/2	2
Gilchrist	4	0	0
Hamilton	4	0	0
Lafayette	1	0	0
Levy	12	2/0	0
Marion	130	20/0	3
Nassau	46	10/0	0
Putnam	59	11/0	1
St. Johns	194	33/3	4
Suwannee	102	27/0	9
Union	3	0	0

FDOH updates data daily at approximately 11:30 am & 6:30 pm
 *Hospitalization include county residents and non-residents.
 These persons may no longer be hospitalized.

ESS Hospital Bed Availability Dashboard
 Statewide information on hospital bed capacity
[Dashboard](#)

ESS Emergency Status System
[Log In Page](#)
 Now the single data entry point for state and federal reporting requirements

***NEW* FL Department of Elder Affairs**
 Services for Florida seniors, their families and caregivers
<http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/>

***NEW* Administration for Community Living**
 Supports needs of the aging and disability populations
<https://acl.gov/COVID-19>

Healthcare Coalition Information
 If this report was forwarded to you, join to receive Situation Reports and more.
[Click here to join the Coalition.](#)
Healthcare Coalition Contacts
 (904) 476-0294
 Leigh Wilsey lwilsey@NEFRC.org
 Eric Anderson eanderson@NEFRC.org

***NEW* Nebulizer Treatment Guidance**
[Nebulizer Treatment for COVID-19 Infected Residents with Severe Respiratory Symptoms](#)

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.

Executive Order #20-91 Safer at Home
 Governor Desantis's Executive Order #20-91 is in effect and expires April 30

Statewide Conference Call Summaries from Tuesday, April 21, 2020

COVID cases, hospitalizations and ICU usage have remained stable for the past few weeks. There continues to be capacity in the healthcare system. Currently there are 2000 hospitalized, 680 in ICU and under 500 on ventilators. These numbers have dropped for the last several days.

Testing continues to be a focus. Florida has currently tested 280,000, New York has tested 649,000 and California has tested 300,000. FDOH is working with additional labs to increase laboratory capacity.

Florida has maintained a 9% positivity rate (currently 27,000). The overall rate since the beginning has been 9.9% and ranks 19th per capita for COVID+ cases. There have been 867 deaths, which ranks us 21st in mortality. 60% of the cases are in Miami-Dade, Palm Beach and Broward counties.

Florida National Guard and the State have Strike Teams going into LTC facilities to test residents and staff. DOH identifies the selected facilities through positive cases and contact tracing.

Unlike most other states, Florida has conducted contact tracing on almost every case from the beginning of this event. FDOH partnered with schools of public health for staff to assist with these efforts. Florida has been and continues to be very aggressive with contact tracing and the focus on the long-term care community is likely limited the number of cases across the state.

AHCA is looking for buildings, wings and other spaces to house COVID+ patients that no longer need to be hospitalized but cannot go back into their residential facility. AHCA is working on a funding source. If this is a role your facility could play, please contact AHCA.

If a facility is having difficulties with infection control, contact the county health department. They can assist with connecting facilities in the area to assist.

Florida Board of Nursing has extended renewal dates for RNs and APRNs from April 20, 2020 to May 31, 2020. Details

The Agency for Health Care Administration issued an alert yesterday to Florida nursing home providers of new CMS guidance related to the notification of COVID-19 cases among nursing home residents and staff.

Continue to use diligence to protect residents in long-term care facilities. Screening of employees and contractors PRIOR to entering the building is crucial. All staff should wear masks. CDC recommends staff wear cloth masks are not recommended for staff.

New patients admitted into a LTC facility do not need to be isolated if they have no symptoms and have not had contact with COVID+ persons. Just being a non-COVID patient in a hospital does not equal a close contact exposure.

Healthcare providers have used many innovative treatment approaches. There are several studies on treatments. Grants.gov has a listing of all approved studies and trails.

FDA has approved 4 tests. There are others being used under an EUA. Some of these tests have cross reactivity to other coronaviruses. Providers MUST understand the specificity of the tests being used.

Statewide Conference Calls

Coalition staff attends the following statewide calls and provides the daily summaries and highlights above.

Hospitals & FHA	Monday & Friday 10:00 am	888-585-9008 Code 488 097 156#
Behavioral Health Centers	Tuesday 10:45 am	888-585-9008 Code 208 305 233#
Home Health & Community Providers	Thursday 1:00 pm	888-585-9008 Code 208 305 233#
Nursing Homes & FHCA	Tuesday & Thursday 4:15 pm	866-951-1151 Code 8484844#
Healthcare Providers	Tuesday 6:30 pm	888-585-9008 Code 208 305 233#

Florida Agencies & Resources

FHCA PPE Equipment Training

[Train-the-Trainer Webinar & Handouts](#)

Webinar originally held 4/8/2020 @ 11 am

AHCA Resources

[AHCA EO 20-001](#)

[Health Care Provider Background Screening](#)

[Florida Medicaid Changes](#)

[SNF Hospital and Hospital to SNF Transfer Communications Tool](#)

Transfer Forms

[SNF to Hospital](#) [Hospital to SNF](#)

Florida COVID-19 Resources

[Executive Orders](#) (Governor & State Agencies)

[Florida COVID-19 Daily Report](#)

Click on the **See the Report** link at the bottom of the webpage

[Florida Data & Surveillance Dashboard](#)

Emergency Status System: [ESS](#)

Agency for Healthcare Administration: [AHCA](#)

[AHCA COVID-19 Alerts](#)

FL Healthcare Association: [FHCA](#)

Agency for Persons with Disabilities: [APD Cares](#)

DCF Mental Health Services: [DCF](#)

FL Division of Emergency Management: [DEM](#)

FDEM Recovery Bureau

[Recovery Questions & Answers](#)

Florida COVID-19 Contacts

[Florida Health COVID-19](#)

COVID-19 Call Center 24/7

(866) 779-6121

COVID-19@FLHealth.gov

[County Emergency Management](#)

Community Action Survey (FDOH)

www.StrongerThanC19.com.

Health Related Information

Long-term Care Facilities with COVID-19

<https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/>
Report link under Dashboard link

One Blood

One Blood is encouraging healthcare workers and first responders that have recovered from COVID to donate plasma.

Go to www.oneblood.org/covid19 or dial 888-9DONATE

Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation at the University of Washington (IHME)

[COVID-19 Hospital Forecasting](#)

N95DECON

[Link to Resources](#)

Three N95 decon approaches

- 1) [Heat and Humidity](#); 2) [UV-C](#) ;
- 3) [Hydrogen Peroxide Vapor](#)

[Caution When Reusing N95 Masks](#)

Information on Converting Anesthesia Machines to Ventilators

[FDA Temporary Approval](#)

[American Society of Anesthesiologist Guidance](#)

Federal Agencies & Resources

National Resources

[CDC COVID-19 Main Page](#) [CDC Situation Summary](#)
[CDC Testing Priorities](#) [CDC Testing Information](#)
[ASPR Tracie Planning Resources](#) [FAQs about COVID-19](#)
[CMS Partner Toolkit](#) [CMS: Hospitals Without Walls](#)
[FEMA's Rumor Control](#) [Travel Advisories US Dept of State](#)
[Senior Medicare Patrol \(SMP\)](#) [Southeast ADA Center](#)
[COVID-19 Fraud Alerts](#)

CDC Cloth Face Coverings

[How to make & wear cloth face coverings](#)

FEMA Rumor Control

[Coronavirus Rumor Control Q&A](#)

Critical Infrastructure Workers

[Guidance for critical infrastructure workers that](#)

FHCA Nursing Home & Regulatory Partners

[Statewide Conference Call Recordings](#)

Email for Nursing Home/LTC Questions covid@fhca.org

National Emerging Special Pathogen Training & Education Center

With the ever-evolving coronavirus pandemic, the NETEC is committed to providing facilities with the tools to educate healthcare workers and share preparedness best practices.

[Past Recordings & Upcoming Webinars](#)

PPE Information

[CDC Personal Protective Equipment Guidance](#)
[NIOSH approved N95s](#)
[PPE Burn Rate Calculator](#)
Guidance on strategies to optimize PPE supplies:
[Eye Protection](#)
[Isolation Gowns](#)
[Facemasks](#)
[N95 Respirators](#)
[Summary List for Healthcare Facilities](#)
[Counterfeit Respirator Information](#)

USDA Food & Nutrition Services

[Guidance on Human Pandemic Response](#)

CDC Mental Health Resources

[Taking Care of your Emotional Health](#)

[Helping Children Cope](#)

CDC Decontamination & Reuse of Filtering Facepiece Respirators

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/ppe-strategy/decontamination-reuse-respirators.html>

COVID-19 Printable Materials

[CDC Communications](#) and [FL DOH Materials](#)