

# COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT # 33



CHAMP ♦ North Central ♦ Northeast Florida Healthcare Coalitions  
Thursday, May 7, 2020

Current COVID-19 NUMBERS BY COUNTY (5/7@ 5:00 pm)			
	Total Cases Residents/Non-Residents	Hospitalizations* Residents/Non-Residents	Deaths
Alachua	300 (286/14)	56/2	5
Baker	22	8/0	3
Bradford	48	10/0	2
Clay	292 (290/2)	72/0	19
Columbia	101 (100/1)	9/0	2
Dixie	11	2/0	0
Duval	1,083 (1052/31)	166/8	28
Flagler	145 (141/4)	15/2	4
Gilchrist	6	0	0
Hamilton	7 (6/1)	0	0
Lafayette	3	1/0	0
Levy	20	2/0	0
Marion	202 (197/5)	29/0	5
Nassau	60 (58/2)	13/0	1
Putnam	120	17/0	4
St. Johns	222 (213/9)	37/3	4
Suwannee	144	35/0	17
Union	5	0	0
Statewide	38,828 (37,813)	6,765	1,600

Current COVID-19 TESTING BY COUNTY (5/7@ 5:00 pm)			
	Total Tested	Total Positive	Positive Rate
Alachua	7,858	300	3.8%
Baker	455	22	4.8%
Bradford	860	48	5.6%
Clay	4,499	292	6.5%
Columbia	1,428	101	7.1%
Dixie	267	11	4.1%
Duval	30,360	1,083	3.6%
Flagler	2,012	145	7.2%
Gilchrist	284	6	2.1%
Hamilton	203	7	3.4%
Lafayette	88	3	3.4%
Levy	824	20	2.4%
Marion	5,584	202	3.6%
Nassau	1,721	60	3.5%
Putnam	1,958	120	6.1%
St. Johns	5,820	222	3.8%
Suwannee	1,221	144	11.8%
Union	272	5	1.8%
Statewide	495,075	38,828	7.8%

FDOH updates data daily at a 11:00 am \*Hospitalization includes persons that may no longer be hospitalized.

## Healthcare Coalition Information

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## CDC Reopen America Guidance

The Official CDC [Guidance](#) for Reopening Public Spaces, Workplaces, Businesses, Schools and Homes

[Cleaning & Disinfecting Decision Tool](#)

[Guidance for Cleaning & Disinfecting](#)

## Relieve Stress for Healthcare Workers

[Self-Care Exercise](#)

## ESS Emergency Status System

[Log In Page](#)

It's time to start your organization's After Action Review.

Find details and templates on page 3.

**Executive Order 20-112:** Phase 1: Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery [FAQs for EO 20-112 Section 5](#) (pages 5-6) Medical Procedures: Healthcare facilities should follow this guidance

## [Statewide Conference Call Summaries](#) for Thursday, May 7, 2020.

AHCA is developing a FAQ document for the new Nursing Home Transfer Rule.

For LTC questions, email [COVID@FHCA.org](mailto:COVID@FHCA.org)

AHCA is working to create dedicated facilities for people that need to be monitored or isolated for COVID-19. Currently have three facilities and working to bring more facilities online. The thought is that these facilities can serve as a step down from hospitals.

Encourage LTC staff to minimize exposure in their free time. Especially as Florida begins to open things back up.

Generators must be installed by June 1st. The rule has been in place for 2 years and AHCA expects facilities will be in compliance by June 1. Sanctions will be initiated for non-compliance.

CNA certifications expire May 31. An extension request has been made but it has not yet been granted.

AHCA still working with the Federal government to use ESS as the reporting tool for nursing homes. More to come.

### **Emergency Rule and Nursing Home Requirements**

AHCA released (5/5/2020) **AHCA Emergency Rule 59AER20-1** and a **Nursing Home Alert**

#### [Emergency Rule: Hospital Testing Requirements for Long-term Care Facility Residents](#)

Requires COVID-19 FDA approved lab-based PCR testing by hospitals of all patients, regardless of symptoms, prior to discharge to long-term care facilities. Hospitals are prohibited from discharging any patient who tests positive for COVID-19 to a long-term care facility until the resident has two consecutive negative test results separated by 24 hours unless the receiving facility has a dedicated COVID-19 wing, unit or building with dedicated staff to exclusively care for COVID-19 patients. Long-term care and residential facilities listed in the emergency rule include nursing homes, assisted living facilities, intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled and group home facilities.

#### [AHCA Alert: Nursing Home Resident Transfers](#)

Directs all nursing homes to:

- ◆ Follow Centers For Disease Control (CDC) Guidance For Response To COVID-19
- ◆ Transfer Residents with Verified or Suspected COVID-19 if the Facility is Unable to Maintain CDC Standards
- ◆ Adhere to the COVID-19 Standards that Follow:

**If a nursing home has one or more confirmed or suspected cases involving residents or staff, the nursing home must:**

- ◆ **Isolate residents** with known or suspected COVID-19 - Residents with COVID-19 must be cared for in a dedicated unit or section, entirely separate and distinct from non-COVID-19 residents of the facility with dedicated staff following CDC PPE recommendations for a dedicated unit.
- ◆ **Increase monitoring** of ill residents, including assessment of symptoms, vital signs, oxygen saturation via pulse oximetry, and respiratory exam, to at least 3 times daily to identify and quickly manage serious infection. Monitor asymptomatic residents **every 8 hours** to more rapidly detect any with new symptoms.
- ◆ **Transfer residents** - If a symptomatic resident requires a higher level of care or the facility cannot fully implement all recommended infection control precautions, the resident must be transferred to another facility that of appropriate isolation and adherence to infection control standards.

**Transport personnel and the receiving facility must be notified about the suspected diagnosis prior to transfer.**

**All nursing homes must:**

- ◆ **Routinely monitor and follow CDC guidance** [Preparing for COVID-19: Long-term Care Facilities, Nursing Homes](#)
- ◆ **Create a plan for managing new admissions and readmissions** whose COVID-19 status is unknown, such as placing the resident in a single- person room or in a separate observation area so the resident can be monitored for evidence of COVID-19. Residents may be transferred out of the observation area to the main facility if they remain without fever or symptoms for 14 days after their exposure (or admission). Testing at the end of this period should be considered to increase certainty that the resident is not infected.
- ◆ **Actively monitor all residents** at least daily for symptoms including fever, cough, shortness of breath and other symptoms as recommended by the CDC Guidance. Since information about the virus continues to evolve, please check the CDC website frequently for guidance on typical and atypical symptoms.
- ◆ **Notify the county health department** within 12 hours about residents or staff with suspected or confirmed COVID-19.
  - ◆ **Continue strict compliance with facility infection control protocols** consistent with CDC guidelines and nursing home certification requirements.

## **\*NEW\* After Action Review \*NEW\***

### Starting your After Action Review Process for COVID-19

#### Steps your facility/organization should take now, while the COVID response is still ongoing:

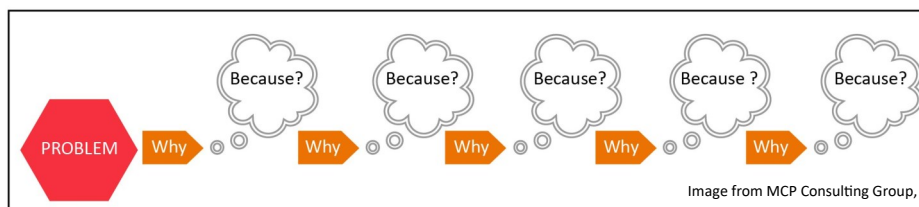
1. Designate a person to lead your organization through the AAR process. If not a senior leader, then someone that has access to the senior leadership. Identify key individuals that will need to be involved and engage them now.
2. Develop an incident timeline. This involves listing your organization's actions in time order, to see what happened when. Consider including major events that impacted your organization as well, such as stay-at-home orders or a ban on elective procedures. Here are two examples from the [WHO](#) (COVID-19) and [CDC](#) (SARS).
3. Take detailed notes on the operational and leadership actions taken during each time segment. Remember, observations are much more reliable than memories. Have key staff keep track of their response actions, outcomes and challenges throughout the response. Some organizations use the [ICS-214 form](#), but any uniform process established to capture activities is important.
4. Develop a process to collect this information regularly. One recommendation is to collect the ICS-214s at the staff sign-out/check-out station. This information will be invaluable to your leadership as you begin to change process, policies and organizational culture.
5. Consider conducting frequent, but brief, AAR sessions. This is a long response and things change over time. In these brief sessions discuss things that are going well and areas that may need improvement. Take detailed notes during these sessions. These brief AAR sessions may assist in making incremental changes to processes or large policy changes to improve the ongoing response.
6. Document everything! Remember this important rule: If it is not written down, then it didn't happen.

Analyzing Response and Root Cause Data This can be done in phases or at the end of the response.

Next in the After Action Review (AAR) process, is evaluating all the information collected during the response, either by phase or the entire event, using the incident timeline.

As you review the information collected, for the actions taken during the response, compare the organization's actual performance with the current processes, policies, goals and objectives.

During this analysis, identify the actions that worked well and those that may require improvement. For actions that did not work well, a root cause analysis may assist in determining the underlying reason behind an identified issue or challenge. When conducting a root-cause analysis, you are attempting to trace the origin of each event/issue back to earlier events and their respective causes. It requires asking "why", multiple times, to determine the root cause of an issue or problem. This is not a foreign concept in healthcare, as it is often used in patient safety studies. So if you haven't involved your patient safety folks in the AAR process, now is a great time to do so!



#### **Region 3 Alliance After Action Report-Improvement Plan Template (for non-hospital partners)**

[Healthcare Facility \(non hospital\) – After Action Report Improvement Plan Template \(MS Word Template\)](#)

Use this template to document your response strengths, areas for improvement and the organization's plan for making improvements.

**\*FRIDAY\* Blue Angels: America Strong Flyover \*FRIDAY\***

America Strong is a salute to all health care workers, first responders and other essential personnel serving to fight COVID-19

Blue Angels will start at Naval Station Mayport Inlet at 11:40 am on Friday, head south along the coast to around Palm Valley and TPC Sawgrass, then head north through SE Duval County, into downtown, through the westside, north to the airport, and south near Orange Park. The display will last approximately 20 minutes.





# Florida Agencies & Resources

## Florida COVID-19 Contacts

### [Florida Health COVID-19](#)

COVID-19 Call Center 24/7

(866) 779-6121

[COVID-19@FLHealth.gov](mailto:COVID-19@FLHealth.gov)

[County Emergency Management](#)

## 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](#)

## 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](#)

## Alternate Care Strategies

[ASPR Strategies](#)

## Nebulizer Treatment Guidance

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

## ASPR Workforce Virtual Toolkit

Resources for Healthcare Decision-Makers

<https://asprtracie.hhs.gov/Workforce-Virtual-Toolkit>

## FDEM Recovery Bureau

[Recovery Questions & Answers](#)

## 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](http://www.oneblood.org/covid19) or dial 888-9DONATE

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

[COVID-19 Hospital Forecasting](#)

## Long-term Care Facilities with COVID-19

<https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/>

Report link under Dashboard link

## ESS Hospital Bed Availability Dashboard

Statewide information on hospital bed capacity  
[Dashboard](#)

## N95DECON

[Link to Resources](#)

Three N95 decon approaches

1) [Heat and Humidity](#); 2) [UV-C](#) ;

3) [Hydrogen Peroxide Vapor](#)

[Caution When Reusing N95 Masks](#)

## TEEX Webinar Training for PPE Use

This webinar will provide First Responders, First Receivers, and Staff with awareness level informative tips to help protect yourself and others using personal protective equipment.

[Classes offered 5/7, 5/12, 5/14 & 5/19](#)

# Federal Agencies & Resources

## Administration for Community Living

Supports needs of the aging and disability populations  
<https://acl.gov/COVID-19>

## FL Department of Elder Affairs

Services for Florida seniors, their families and caregivers  
<http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/>

## FHCA Nursing Home & Regulatory Partners

[Statewide Conference Call Recordings](#)

Email for Nursing Home/LTC Questions [covid@fhca.org](mailto:covid@fhca.org)

## Community Action Survey (FDOH)

[www.StrongerThanC19.com](http://www.StrongerThanC19.com)

## FEMA Rumor Control

[Coronavirus Rumor Control Q&A](#)

## 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](#)

## 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](#)

## USDA Food & Nutrition Services

[Guidance on Human Pandemic Response](#)

## CDC Mental Health Resources

[Taking Care of your Emotional Health](#)

[Helping Children Cope](#)

## Critical Infrastructure Workers

[Guidance](#) for critical infrastructure workers that may have been exposed to COVID-19

## CDC Decontamination & Reuse of Filtering Facepiece Respirators

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

## National Emerging Special Pathogen Training & Education Center

[Past Recordings & Upcoming Webinars](#)

## COVID-19 Printable Materials

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

## Battelle PPE Decontamination Unit SOG Located in Miami-Dade County

Battelle has deployed a decontamination unit in coordination with FEMA and Defense Logistics Agency at no cost to the entities in the State of Florida. This unit can decontaminate **non-cellulose N95 masks only**.

Respirators (N95s) can be decontaminated up to 20 times, however they must not be visibly soiled (free of blood, mucus, makeup, lip balm, etc.) or damaged. If N95s are visibly soiled or damaged, they will be discarded.

Below are instructions in order participate in this process:

<b>Hospitals</b>	
Defined as	Hospitals within the State of Florida
<b>Mandatory First Step:</b> Signup Process	Hospitals must Sign a Service Agreement. These services are provided at no cost. Navigate to the link below to begin this signup process: <a href="https://www.battelle.org/inquiry/offerings-and-services/covid-response">https://www.battelle.org/inquiry/offerings-and-services/covid-response</a>
	After signing the service agreement, a three-digit code will be assigned to your facility. After signup, Cardinal Health will also follow-up with hospitals to coordinate N95 mask pickup.
Sending N95s to be decontaminated	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Identify N95s to be decontaminated and <b>write the three-digit code assigned to your facility on the masks.</b></li> <li>2. Pack N95s in a plastic bag (this does not need to be a biohazard bag). Place in another plastic bag to double bag the masks. Clean the outside of the external bag with disinfectant.</li> <li>3. Put the bag in the box and label the box with the three-digit code and a biohazard sticker (to be provided by the entity it is being picked up from).</li> <li>4. Cardinal Health Courier Service will pick up items and take them to be decontaminated.</li> <li>5. Items will be decontaminated and is expected to be curried back to the facility within 72 hours. When they are returned to your facility, Battelle will write a tally on the masks to track how many times they have been decontaminated.</li> </ol>

<b>Government Entities</b>	
Defined as	Non-hospital entities within the county, to include law enforcement, fire rescue, EMS, etc.
<b>Mandatory First Step:</b> Signup Process	Each entity must Sign a Service Agreement. These services are provided at no cost. Navigate to the link below to begin this signup process: <a href="https://www.battelle.org/inquiry/offerings-and-services/covid-response">https://www.battelle.org/inquiry/offerings-and-services/covid-response</a>
	After signing the service agreement, a three-digit code will be assigned to your facility. You will need to designate a point of contact for your facility.
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