



Washington State
Hospital Association



WSHA COVID-19 Member Call with State Leaders

May 11, 2020

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If you have questions, raise your hand!

Admiral Bono



Gilead



Data to Inform Distribution

May 11, 2020

HHS Requests Weekly Data from Hospitals to Inform Remdesivir Distribution

First Data Deadline is Tomorrow, May 12 at 8 p.m. ET

The Department of Health and Human Services today announced that it is requesting certain data from hospitals to inform HHS's distribution of its supply of remdesivir, a drug that has shown encouraging results in treating certain COVID-19 patients in early clinical trials. Specifically, HHS is requesting weekly data on the number of currently hospitalized COVID-19 patients and, of those hospitalized, the number requiring placement in intensive care units. **The initial data are due by 8 p.m. ET tomorrow, May 12.** HHS indicated it intends to ask hospitals to report these data weekly, and that additional details are forthcoming later this week.

HHS is asking hospitals to submit the data using its [TeleTracking web portal](#). This is the same portal HHS used last month for a [one-time data request](#) to inform its targeted distribution of funds to hospitals heavily impacted by COVID-19. TeleTracking also is one of the options hospitals can use to fulfill HHS's previous request for the [daily reporting](#) of bed capacity and utilization data. Registered

Non-Urgent Procedure Interpretative Interpretive Statement



Patient Harm Definition

When considering potential harm to a patient's health and well-being:

- Expected advancement of disease process
- Possibility that delay results in more complex future surgery or treatment
- Increased loss of function
- Continuing or worsening of significant or severe pain
- Deterioration of the patient's condition or overall health
- Delay would be expected to result in a less-positive ultimate medical or surgical outcome
- Leaving a condition untreated could render the patient more vulnerable to COVID-19 contraction, or resultant disease morbidity and/or mortality
- Non-surgical alternatives are not available or appropriate per current standards of care
- Patient's co-morbidities or risk factors for morbidity or mortality, if inflicted with COVID-19 after procedure is performed

Also, criminal penalties helpfully clarified

Clarifications

Hospital capacity: “...hospitals must maintain a 20% surge capacity.” [Previously stated, “...hospitals will not exceed 80% of available bed (licensed and staffed beds) capacity.]

Testing and notification:

- Facilities must provide access to COVID-19 testing for health care workers with potential COVID-19 infection.
- Facilities must provide timely notification (within eight (8) hours of awareness of test results) of exposure to COVID-19.
- Facilities that do not have access to WA Health must respond to weekly surveys administered by the Department of Health.

New, under Outpatient clinic visits: “Routine dental, orthodontic, and endodontic visits are prohibited by the proclamation.”

Next Steps on Non-Urgent Procedures



Governor's Office Draft

DRAFT - May 8, 2020

A Safe Start to Health Care in Washington **Governor Jay Inslee**

Gov. Jay Inslee, in collaboration with the Washington State Department of Health (DOH) and health care system partners, has established a data-driven approach to safely start Washington's health care system.

PHASED APPROACH TO SAFELY STARTING WASHINGTON'S HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

The state will implement a phased approach for performing procedures and surgeries, and delivering other health care services, including dental and behavioral health services. The state will determine the phase under which the state is operating based on the COVID-19 activity in the state, available health care system capacity, days' supply of personal protective equipment (PPE), and other potential factors that could influence the health care system's capacity.

Governor's Office Draft – Part 2

- **Phase 1**
 - Rapidly increasing or high COVID-19 activity, OR
 - Inadequate surge capacity in the health care system defined as less than 20% staffed beds available for acute hospitalization, OR
 - Insufficient PPE supplies throughout the health care system defined as any health care sector using “Extreme Strategies” for PPE use, according to DOH’s Conversation Strategies for PPE:
<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/ConservationStrat-PPE.pdf>.
- **Phase 2**
 - Decreasing COVID-19 activity for 14 days, OR slowly increasing and low COVID-19 activity, AND
 - Adequate surge capacity in the health care system defined as 20% staffed beds available for acute hospitalization, AND
 - Sufficient PPE supplies throughout the entire health care system defined as no health care sector* using “Extreme Strategies” for PPE use, according to DOH’s Conversation Strategies for PPE:
<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/ConservationStrat-PPE.pdf>.
- **Phase 3**
 - Low COVID-19 activity, AND
 - Adequate surge capacity in the health care system defined as greater than 20% staffed beds available for acute hospitalization, AND
 - Sufficient PPE supplies throughout the entire health care system defined as the health care sector* being mostly in the “Standard Recommended Use of PPE,” according to DOH’s Conversation Strategies for PPE:
<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/ConservationStrat-PPE.pdf>.

Confusing Messaging

What Can Be Open while following industry-specific guidelines

- All Essential Businesses
- In-Progress Residential Construction
- State Parks
- Elective Surgeries
- Vehicle and Vessel Sales
- Pet Walkers
- Landscaping
- Drive-In Religious Services
- Curbside Retail Sales
- Car Washes



Governor Jay Inslee

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Here's what we've opened.

Reminder - the phone lines have always been open.

Call your mom.

Sharyn Lee, Steve Alwine, Kim Zimmaman and 2,716 others like this.

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Cate Lawson-Reed Thank you for starting the reopening process in a thoughtful way ... it will take a lot of patience, but we will get there

Letter to the Governor – sent today



May 11, 2020

Governor Jay Inslee
Office of the Governor
PO Box 40002
Olympia, WA 98504-0002

Dear Governor Inslee,

As leaders of the health care system in Washington state, representing physicians, dentists, medical clinics, ambulatory surgery facilities and hospitals, we implore you to not extend Proclamation 20-24 set to expire on May 18, 2020. We believe the longer such care restrictions are in place and the more interpretive statements, new frameworks, and clarifying guidance the government has to issue, the more patients will be confused and fearful about when to get care. The proclamation is already resulting in harm, both to patients' health and the health of our health care system, and if extended or if another proclamation is introduced, the harm will increase.

Get Care When You Need It PSA Campaign Update

“It’s too risky.”
not getting care

Life is paused right now—but your health isn't. Hospitals and clinics across Washington are taking precautions to ensure your safety.

[Get the facts](#)

**“My healthcare isn’t
essential right now.”**

Life is paused right now—but your health isn't. If you have a concern about your physical or emotional health, we're here to help through virtual or in-person visits.

[Get the facts](#)

“It ~~isn't~~ an emergency.”
might be

Delaying your health care may mean getting worse. Care is available across Washington by phone, video call, or in person.

[Get the facts](#)

Launch Date: Thursday, May 14

Virtual Press Conference:

- Dr. Francis Riedo, Epidemiologist, EvergreenHealth
- Dr. Elizabeth Wako, Chief Medical Officer at Swedish First Hill
- Dr. Stuart Freed, Chief Medical Officer, Confluence Health
- Dr. Ruth McDonald, Chief Medical Officer, Seattle Children's
- Dr. Sam Hsieh, Chief Medical Officer, Coulee Medical Center

Media buys

Spanish & English

- Digital ads on social media and news/medical website
- Radio
- Television around news in Seattle, Spokane, and Yakima markets
- Newspaper

Goal – all residents receive multiple messages

Digital adjusted to reach geographies