

# HEALTHCARE COUNCIL REGIONAL COVID-19 UPDATE

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June 15 COVID-19 updates below from the Healthcare Council. The focus today is in the Education, Learning, and Resources sections where we have a wide range of meetings and opportunities coming up. The Healthcare Council is using these meetings to better organize and coordinate our regional response to the COVID-19 crisis and your participation will help us in that effort.



## New National Guidelines, Information, and Policies Updates:

- There are very important updates regarding provider reimbursements that have come out over the past few days:
  - ◆ HHS has announced disbursement plans for the next 3 tranches of Provider Relief Funds (totaling \$35b). [Details are here.](#)
  - ◆ Providers must report their annual patient review through the Provider Relief Fund Payment Portal by July 3, 2020. [Access to the portal can be found here.](#)

## Regional Information and Information for Hospitals:

Developments from around the MD-DC-VA area.

- Our region surpassed 126,000 confirmed cases over the weekend and the total deaths are now over 5000.
- As our region reopens, people are interacting more, leading some to worry about the potential for an uptick in cases and possible hospitalizations. [Read the local story in the Washington Post.](#)
- It is becoming easier to get tested in the DMV. [See more about testing here.](#)

## Purchasing through National Capital Area Shared Services:

We are still working with many healthcare organizations to get PPE and other supplies. Please contact us directly at **301-731-4700** if there are ways we can help you get the supplies you need. Check back for news regarding supply issues for our region.

- **Supplies Through Roberts Oxygen:** Roberts Oxygen is the leading supplier of bulk liquid and medical gases for over 50 years. When you work with them, you can count on the best service every step of the way. They earn your trust by being responsive and exceeding expectations. Today, Roberts Oxygen, is recognized as the finest service oriented, independent distributor from Pennsylvania to Florida. Please contact NCASS for further information at 301-731-4700, Debbie Johnson at 304-671-6063, or Crystal Raiford at 202-594-6189. [Read the full story here.](#)

## Education, Learning, and Resources

Updates and details below

- **Pharmacy Divisional Meeting – Friday, June 19, 2020 – 2 to 3 PM**
  - ◆ The discussion will focus on Pharmacy workforce needs in healthcare organizations across the metropolitan D.C. area (DC, MD and VA). All questions for discussion in this upcoming video conference should be sent to Christopher Howard ([cnhoward@healthcare-council.org](mailto:cnhoward@healthcare-council.org)) by 5:00 pm EST, Wednesday, June 17, 2020. Discussion moderation will be led by Pharmacy Division Chair, JoAnn Neuffer.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89111526929?pwd=NHY4TTZzU01wL3ZSMC9rcFEwbVdldz09>

- **Physician Management Division Virtual Meeting – Tuesday, June 23, 2020 – 10 to 11 AM**
  - ◆ This virtual meeting will focus on Physician Management workforce needs in healthcare organizations across the metropolitan D.C. area (DC, MD and VA). Please send any questions you would like to discuss in the upcoming video conference to Christopher Howard ([cnhoward@healthcare-council.org](mailto:cnhoward@healthcare-council.org)) by 5:00 pm EST, Friday, June 19, 2020. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86354247979?wd=anplM0loU1g4eU5sWWEzWUxjQXZXdz09>
- **Supply Chain Advisory Council Meeting – Tuesday, June 23, 2020 – 12 noon to 2 PM**
  - ◆ The 3rd meeting for 2020 will be held as a zoom meeting June 23 from 12 noon to 1 PM. The meeting will focus on sharing best practices, lessons learned and future plans during this pandemic. (Link to come)
- **Patient Experience Division Virtual Meeting – Tuesday, June 23, 2020 – 2 to 3 PM**
  - ◆ A discussion concerning Patient Experience workforce needs in healthcare organizations across the metropolitan D.C. area (DC, MD and VA). Please send any questions you would like to discuss in the upcoming videoconference to Christopher Howard ([cnhoward@healthcare-council.org](mailto:cnhoward@healthcare-council.org)) by 5:00pm EST, Friday, June 19, 2020 <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83919526768pwd=VEcwLzZlQjBzbmttQmMvUW9aZUp2Zz09>.
- **Young Professionals Division Virtual Meeting – Wednesday, June 24, 2020 – 2 to 3 PM**
  - ◆ A discussion concerning Young Professionals workforce needs in healthcare organizations across the metropolitan D.C. area (DC, MD and VA). Please send any questions you would like to discuss in the upcoming videoconference to Christopher Howard ([cnhoward@healthcare-council.org](mailto:cnhoward@healthcare-council.org)) by 5:00pm EST, Monday, June 22, 2020. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84665520130?pwd=M0w5TnpIUUczKzl4eUx0STNOZlg2QT09>
- **CMS Webinar:** CMS will host a webinar on June 30 at 1:00 pm titled “CMS's Final Rule for Office/Outpatient EM Services”. [Register here for the webinar](#).

#### **General Information and Data Sources:**

Resources for National and Regional Up-to-the-Minute Data and Information:

- [Johns Hopkins University global COVID-19 Tracker](#)
- Latest Case data for each state can be found at these websites:
  - ◆ [Maryland](#)
  - ◆ [Virginia](#)
  - ◆ [District of Columbia](#)
  - ◆ [West Virginia](#)
- State Hospital Association information can be found at these websites:
  - ◆ [Maryland Hospital Association](#)
  - ◆ [Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association](#)
  - ◆ [DC Hospital Association](#)
  - ◆ [West Virginia Hospital Association](#)
- [Morning Consult Resource Page](#)

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