

HEALTHCARE COUNCIL REGIONAL COVID-19 UPDATE

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Please have a look at our weekly update on issues related to COVID-19 and how it affects the field of health care. We work with local organizations to help with supply needs through our [ShareSource](#) division.



Please contact us directly at **301-731-4700** if there are ways in which we can help you get the supplies you need.



Guidelines, Information, and Policies Updates

- It has been one year since the first COVID cases appeared in our region. Health organizations are marking the anniversary with reflections and tributes. The Virginia Hospital & Healthcare Association released a statement looking back at the contributions of area hospitals over the past year. [Read the full statement here.](#)
- 'We're still busy.' Our partner, [MedStar Health](#), was featured on the local CBS affiliate for their work during the pandemic. [Watch the story here.](#)
- According to the CDC, the state of Maryland leads the country in administering the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. [The Baltimore Sun has the story here.](#)
- D.C.'s first high-capacity COVID-19 vaccination site has opened this past weekend. The site is located at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center, where the D.C. Health Department says it will distribute 2,500 vaccines in its first day. [More from WUSA9 here.](#)
- Morning Consult has put together an extensive resource detailing how life has changed during the pandemic. Of particular interest to our members will be the information on health, hospital visits, view on the vaccine, and more. [See the full report here.](#)
- Hesitancy seems to be waning when it comes to the COVID-19 vaccines. [More here.](#)
- If the rush to develop a vaccine was a sprint, implementation is revealing some hurdles. [Managed Healthcare Executive has the story here.](#)
- Two Yale professors are proposing a “menu of tangible steps that policymakers can take to lower healthcare costs in the U.S.” What would be the affect on hospitals and healthcare systems? [Read the story here.](#)

Education, Learning, and Resources

A look at some of the upcoming meetings and webinars in the weeks ahead.

- **Population Health Divisional Meeting in conjunction with CareClix: Today from 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm:** Please join The Healthcare Council for an insightful discussion on population health data management and technology solutions presented by [CareClix](#). [Register here](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.
- **The McKenna Foundation, in association with Arizona State University,** announced the start of a series of lectures and symposiums titled, “The Lessons from the Pandemic: Building a Secure Health System 2021 McKenna Virtual Lecture & Symposium.” Series began on **March 9** but continues through the week. Details on how to watch live and recorded events can be found [here](#).
- **AHA Call on latest COVID-19 Updates: March 11, 2:30 pm.** Registration information can be found [here](#).
- **Accelerating Health Equity: March 16–18, 2021:** a virtual conference hosted by AHA Community Health Improvement (ACHI) and the Institute for Diversity and Health Equity (IFDHE). [Learn more here](#).
- **Tryon Clear View Group Webinar: March 18, 2021 - 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm:** The Healthcare Council and ShareSource are excited to bring to you a special presentation by our endorsed partner, [Tryon Clear View Group](#). COVID-19 has impacted health systems financially around the world and it is more important than ever to try and find ways in which to reduce costs. Tryon Clear View Group provides innovative solutions for sustainable cost reduction in areas including telecom, managed print, waste, document storage, equipment maintenance, mailing equipment, and utilities. [Register in advance here](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.
- **AHA:** A peer-to-peer community of health care professionals dedicated to helping hospitals and health systems recover, rebuild and reimagine health care. Learning together for today, tomorrow and the future of health care. Join the Living Learning Network, a peer-to-peer community of health care professionals helping hospitals and health systems recover and reimagine health care during COVID-19 and beyond. [To take part, sign-up here](#).
- **2021 AHA Leadership Summit and Virtual Conference: July 22-24, 2021, Nashville, TN.** The 2021 AHA Leadership Summit and Virtual Conference will feature senior health care executives, clinicians and experts in the field presenting high level, transformational strategies and innovative approaches for achieving financial sustainability while delivering greater value through operational excellence, creative partnerships, and redefined delivery models. Special attention will be paid to the strategies and practices that enable health care leaders to remain resilient and respond successfully in periods of sustained crisis. [Learn more here](#).
- **UpGlo Healthcare Connect matches internationally-trained health professionals with hospitals, clinics, and government agencies who need their skills.** Research links diversity in our healthcare workforce to improved patient outcomes. Our partner, [Upwardly Global](#) can connect your organization with pipelines of talented healthcare professionals from diverse backgrounds including doctors, nurses, allied health professionals, researchers, counselors, and others, as well as experts in STEM, IT, finance, and business/administration. Learn how Upwardly Global can support your efforts to build a diverse and inclusive workforce during the pandemic and beyond. Email them at: healthcareinquiries@upwardlyglobal.org to learn more.

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](#)



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