

# HEALTHCARE COUNCIL REGIONAL COVID-19 UPDATE

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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

- DC Mayor Muriel Bowser and DC Health announced a new partnership with CVS to help with vaccinations for school staff, childcare workers, healthcare workers, and Seniors. [Press release here.](#)
- A new study by the CDC indicates strong evidence that mRNA COVID-19 vaccines are highly effective in preventing SARS-CoV-2 infections in real-world conditions among health care personnel, first responders, and other essential workers. [See the study here.](#)
- The AHA has issued a special bulletin regarding the decision by CMS to lift suspension of hospital survey activities. [Read the special bulletin here.](#)
- The AHA has also released a helpful COVID-19 vaccine storage requirements [infographic.](#)
- Vaccines created by Moderna and Pfizer are 80% effective after one dose and 90% effective after both doses according to a study of real-life conditions. [More from the Washington Post here.](#)
- High numbers of people refusing or delaying a vaccine could increase the mortality rate by up to eight times compared with ideal vaccination uptake, says a new study from Imperial College in London. [HPN has full story here.](#)
- Can the COVID-19 vaccine affect mammogram results? [Johns Hopkins is talking about it.](#)
- An international team of scientists has found evidence that SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, infects cells in the mouth. [Read more here](#)
- African Americans are significantly less likely to get a COVID-19 vaccination, and hesitancy is particularly prevalent in South Carolina and the Southeast U.S., a new survey says. [More here.](#)

- [TriBridge Partners](#), will be presenting a special webinar on **April 13, 2021 at 3 pm**: TriBridge Partners is a firm of specialists in Employee Benefits, Individual Insurance and Financial Planning, and Business Enterprise Planning. In this presentation, TriBridge Partners will discuss their new HR Benefits Platform, [Fringe](#). [You can register 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.](#)
- **Medical Solutions can help with your efforts to meet the staffing demands caused by vaccine administration.** With the approval and roll out of new vaccines, [Medical Solutions](#) is prepared to help you staff both clinical and non-clinical roles for administering vaccines. They can help you address the surge in demand for the professionals needed at every step of the vaccination process:
  - Vaccinators
  - Clinical Team Leads
  - Nursing Assistants
  - Medical Directors
  - Greeters
  - Schedulers
  - Contact Tracing Specialists

Contact Medical Solutions to conduct a needs assessment for your vaccination site and determine how they can best address your urgent staffing challenges.  
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## 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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