COVID-19 Update and Resources 11/13 - 11/20

PA & Federal Updates

PA saw 41,399 new cases since our last update just one week ago, bringing the total case count to 295,786 (includes confirmed and probable cases) in all 67 PA counties. View a breakdown of cases by region, county, gender, ethnicity, etc. [here](#).

As Pennsylvania experiences a resurgence of COVID-19 cases with significantly higher daily case counts than in the spring and hospitalizations on the rise, the Wolf Administration has identified four new mitigation efforts, which Secretary of Health Dr. Rachel Levine announced this week. [Read more](#).

Department Of Health To Distribute New COVID-19 Therapy To Healthcare Systems Across The Commonwealth. [Read more](#)

Secretary of Health Rachel Levine, MD, also announced this week that the state had made its COVID-19 Interim Vaccination Plan available for public review. The document outlines the logistics that will guide the state’s vaccination efforts, once the vaccines are ready. [Read more](#).

PA Department Of Health Adds Testing Site In Blair County, Lackawanna County and Bradford County To Help Contain Local Spread Of COVID-19.

MMWR Early Release: [Trends in County-Level COVID-19 Incidence in Counties With and Without a Mask Mandate — Kansas, June 1–August 23, 2020](#)

U.S. regulators on Tuesday allowed emergency use of the first rapid coronavirus test that can be performed entirely at home and delivers results in 30 minutes. [Read more](#)

PA DOH Update

Additional Factors to Determine Close Contacts of Persons with COVID-19
November 17, 2020

- If someone is identified as a close contact to a person with COVID, the close contact must quarantine for 14 days from the date of last contact.
- There is no recognized “presumed positive” case definition for COVID-19.
- Household contacts of COVID-19 cases who cannot isolate themselves must quarantine for 14 days after the case’s infectious period ends.

[View full update here](#)
Updates from AAP

Visit the COVID-19 [web page on AAP.org](https://www.aap.org) to find updated resources such as clinical guidance, practice management resources, including tele-health and coding, educational resources for clinicians and families, data reports, a discussion board, and details on AAP advocacy efforts. For questions or comments related to the pandemic, email COVID-19@aap.org.

As of November 12th, a grim milestone was reached with over 1 million children testing positive for COVID-19 since the onset of the pandemic. [Learn more.](#)

AAP Resources

- **PPE and COVID-19 Supplies through Amazon Business**

AAP Updated Clinical Guidance

- Coding During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE)
- Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C) Interim Guidance

AAP Healthy Children Resources for Families

- Keep the Holidays Happy During COVID-19
- Parenting in a Pandemic: How to Keep the Calm at Home
- Mood-Boosting Tips for Families During the COVID-19 Pandemic
- Mental Healthy During COVID-19: Signs Your Child May Need More Support

AAP News

- [AAP: Include children in COVID-19 vaccine trials. November 17, 2020](#)
- [Pediatric COVID-19 cases surpass 'tragic' 1 million mark. November 16, 2020](#)
- [Study: Proportion of pediatric ED visits for mental health rises during pandemic. November 12, 2020](#)

Interactive Town Hall Series on COVID-19- The AAP now hosts a bi-weekly series of virtual town halls linking members with leading experts to discuss emerging issues related to caring for patients and families during the COVID-19 pandemic.

- **Session #6:** Session #6: November 19, 2020 at 8:00PM, Pediatrician Resilience in the Time of COVID-19 - [Listen to the recording.](#)

Webinars

Upcoming PA AAP Webinar and Learning Opportunity Dates:

- **December 3 from 12:15 - 1:15 PM | "Let's Talk: Addressing Disparities in Immunization” | Kristen Feemster, MD, MPH, MSHP, FAAP ; Johanna Vidal-Phelan, MD, MBA, FAAP**
  - [Register here](#)

- **December 2 from 8 - 9 pm | "Let's Talk: “Influenza: Disease, Immunization, and Working to Protect Families | Richard Moriarty, MD**
  - [Register here](#)

- **December 8 from 8 - 9 PM | "Let's Talk: Prioritizing Health Equity in Clinical Practice" | Katie Mcpeak, MD, FAAP, and Stacey Kallem, MD, FAAP**
  - Registration coming soon!

[Recorded 10/14/20](#)
"Continuing to Support Mental Health During COVID-19"
Justin Schreiber, DO, MPH, FAAP

**Recorded 9/23/20**
"COVID-19 Update: Ask the Infectious Disease Experts"
Swathi Gowtham, MD; Susan Coffin, MD, MPH, FAAP

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**Recorded 9/9/20**
"Rising to the Challenge: Implementing Effective Flu Vaccine Delivery During the Pandemic"
Susan J. Kressly, MD, FAAP

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**Recorded 8/26/20**
"Supporting Intimate Partner Violence Survivors and Their Children During the COVID-19 Pandemic"
Maya Ragavan, MD, MPH, MS; Elizabeth Miller, MD, PhD; Rebecca Garcia, MS

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**Recorded 8/12/20**
“Developing a COVID-19 Vaccine at Warp Speed”
Paul A Offit, MD, FAAP

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**Recorded 7/22/20**
“Considerations for the Reopening of Schools”
Rachel Levine, MD, FAAP, David Rubin, MD, MSCE

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**Recorded 7/15/20**
“Telehealth & Pediatrics 201: Beyond the Basics”
Susan J. Kressly, MD, FAAP

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You can find the full list of recorded webinars [here](#)

Please visit our website at [www.paaap.org](http://www.paaap.org) for more resources and information on COVID-19 for Pennsylvania pediatric providers. We are doing our best to maintain up-to-date information as it becomes available.