COVID-19 Update and Resources 8/10 - 8/14

PA Updates

PA saw 5,671 new cases since last Friday, bringing the total case count to 122,950 (includes confirmed and probable cases) in all 67 PA counties. View a breakdown of cases by region, county, gender, ethnicity, etc. here.

While case counts are increased over last week, percent positivity decreased for the third week in a row, a testament to increased testing occurring throughout the state. Read more.

News

- The state's COVID-19 Response Task Force for Health Disparity presented its report to the governor earlier this week. The report includes six recommendations focused on these policy topics related to health disparity, ranked in order of urgency: housing, criminal justice, food insecurity, health disparity, education and economic opportunities. According to the report, each area either directly or indirectly affects the health of Pennsylvanians and must be addressed to appropriately remove the disparities that have existed for generations and have only been exacerbated by the pandemic. Read more.

Updates from AAP

- The American Academy of Pediatrics and the Children’s Hospital Association provides a weekly report that compiles state-by-state data on COVID-19 cases in children. Between July 9 and Aug. 6, there were 179,990 new child cases -- an increase of 90% in child cases over 4 weeks. Read more.

- The AAP issued three new interim guidance documents on the care of children during the COVID-19 pandemic this week:
  - Children’s use of cloth face coverings
  - Testing protocols for children
  - Personal protective equipment (PPE) for pediatric medical providers

- New resources for families on Healthychildren.org
  - Mask Mythbusters: 5 Common Misconceptions about Kids & Cloth Face Coverings
  - Ask the Pediatrician: Can Children get COVID-19?
  - Returning to School During COVID-19
Reminders:

- **Provider Relief Fund Update:** Deadline to apply for Medicaid/CHIP Funds EXTENDED UNTIL AUGUST 28TH! View the AAP's information and resources on the Provider Relief Fund [here](#). If you have any questions or issues, please contact us at [COVID-19@aap.org](mailto:COVID-19@aap.org).

- Application Period for Final Round of Funding Now Open. The [COVID-19 Relief Statewide Small Business Assistance](#) funding was developed in partnership with state lawmakers and allocated through the state budget, which included $2.6 billion in federal stimulus funds through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, of which $225 million was earmarked for relief for small businesses. [Read more](#).

**Webinars**

**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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**Recorded 6/24/20**
“Strengthening Vaccine Confidence and Acceptance in the Pediatric Provider Office”
Sarah Mbaeyi, MD, MPH
Medical officer, Office of Vaccine Policy, National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, CDC
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**Recorded 6/17/20**
"Type 1 Diabetes: Updates in the time of the COVID19 Pandemic"
Melissa Andrews Rearson, MSN, CRNP
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**Recorded 6/10/20**
"Lessons for Oral Health Care in the COVID-19 Pandemic: Potential for Problems and Opportunities”
Thomas J. Maroon, MD, C Eve J Kimball, MD, FAAP, Angela M. Stout, DMD, MPH, Kelly Curtin, MD, FAAP
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**RECORDED 6/3/20**
"Multisystem Inflammatory Disorder"
Edward M. Berhrens, MD, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Zachary Aldewereld, MD- UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh
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RECORDED 5/27/20
Diego Chaves-Gnecco, MD, MPH, FAAP-, Johanna Vidal-Phelan, MD, MBA, FAAP and Rita Guevara, MD, FAAP
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“COVID-19 Impact on Food Security”
Mary Ann Rigas, MD, FAAP & Clancy Cash Harrison, MS, RDN, FAND
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RECORDED 5/13/20
"Overview of Child Physical Abuse During COVID-19"
Norrell Atkinson, MD, MPH, FAAP
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You can find the full list of recorded webinars here.

Please visit our website at 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.