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COVID-19 Update and Resources 8/24 - 8/28

PA Updates

PA saw 4,358 new cases since last Friday, bringing the total case count to 131,991 (includes confirmed and probable cases) in all 67 PA counties. View a breakdown of cases by region, county, gender, ethnicity, etc. [here](#).

Gov. Wolf announced that 23 awardees will receive \$10 million in grant funding through the state's COVID-19 Vaccines, Treatments, and Therapies program. [Learn more](#)

Wolf Administration Promotes Programs and Resources Available to Pennsylvania Families with Children During COVID-19 Crisis and 2020-21 Back-to-School Season [Learn more](#)

With an executive order that protects homeowners and renters from eviction or foreclose expiring Sept. 1, Gov. Wolf sent letters to the House and Senate urging the legislature to temporarily extend the existing moratorium and fix defects in Act 24 of 2020, a recently created program that helps renters and homeowners. [Learn more](#)

Department of Health, Community Groups Roll Out COVID-19 Mobile Response Unit to Provide Testing and Education to Under-served Communities [Learn more](#)

The AMA has issued a statement on recent CDC changes to COVID-19 testing guidance. [Read Statement](#)

CARES ACT Provider Relief Fund Update

The deadline to apply for Phase 2 General Distribution Funding has been extended to September 13, 2020.

On July 20, 2020, HHS issued a public notice about forthcoming reporting requirements for certain providers that accepted one or more payments exceeding \$10,000 in the aggregate funding from the Provider Relief Fund program. The reporting notice initially advised recipients that additional details regarding data elements would be provided by August 17, 2020. HRSA is continuing to refine its data elements and will provide those additional details at a date later than August 17, 2020. Providers will still be given the detailed PRF reporting instructions and a data collection template with the necessary data elements they will be asked to submit well in advance of the reporting system being made available – which is currently targeted for October 1, 2020.

[Learn 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. [Learn more](#)
- **AAP Updated Clinical Guidance**
 - [Caring for Children With Acute Illness in the Ambulatory Care Setting During the Public Health Emergency](#): Guidance to help pediatricians through the unprecedented challenges of caring for acutely ill children during the COVID-19 pandemic. (8/26/2020)
 - [Interfacility Transport of the Critically Ill Neonatal or Pediatric Patient with Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19](#): Guidance for both ground and air patient movements that balances infection control with transport safety to reduce risks for medical staff and patients. (8/26/2020)
 - [Guidance on the Necessary Use of Telehealth During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#): Guidance on the use of telehealth to provide appropriate elements of health supervision visits or acute and chronic care visits by pediatricians, pediatric medical subspecialists, and pediatric surgical specialists. (Updated 8/26/2020)
- **Critical Update**
 - [Preparing for the 2020-2021 Flu Season](#)
- **New Resources for Families on HealthyChildren.org**
 - Mask Mythbusters: [5 Common Misconceptions About Kids & Cloth Face Coverings](#)
 - [Travel Safety During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

2020-2021 Flu Season

[Vaccines for Children Provider Notice, Borrowing Influenza Vaccine Guidelines](#)

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Webinars



Based on member feedback, PA AAP Let's Talk Pediatric Community Forum webinars will now be offered bi-weekly. The next webinar will be on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 from 8PM - 9PM. Webinar information and registration will be sent out in the coming week.

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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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

[View Recording](#)

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.

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