

COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT # 62

CHAMP ♦ North Central ♦ Northeast Florida Healthcare Coalitions

Thursday, August 27, 2020



| Current COVID-19 NUMBERS BY COUNTY (8/27 @ 3:30pm) | | | |
|--|--|--|---------------------|
| | Total Cases Residents/Non-Residents | Hospitalizations* Residents/Non-Residents | Deaths Residents |
| Alachua | 5,082 (5021/61) | 295/16 | 31 |
| Baker | 1,136 | 45 | 4 |
| Bradford | 692 | 40 | 5 |
| Clay | 3,809 (3795/14) | 283/2 | 75 |
| Columbia | 3,295 (3280/15) | 177/2 | 32 |
| Dixie | 685 (684/1) | 39 | 4 |
| Duval | 26,017(26017/271) | 896/18 | 249 |
| Flagler | 1,279 (1266/13) | 107/3 | 15 |
| Gilchrist | 447 | 31 | 9 |
| Hamilton | 686 (681/5) | 26 | 4 |
| Lafayette | 1,177 | 14 | 7 |
| Levy | 886 (882/4) | 61 | 6 |
| Marion | 8,261 (8247/14) | 722 | 165 |
| Nassau | 1,574 (1475/99) | 95/2 | 16 |
| Putnam | 1,750 (1748/2) | 196 | 36 |
| St. Johns | 4,239 (4179/60) | 231/5 | 56 |
| Suwannee | 2,388 (2371/17) | 119 | 56 |
| Union | 561 | 31 | 5 |
| Statewide | 611,991 (605,342) | 37,718 | 10,868 |

| Cumulative COVID-19 TESTING BY COUNTY (8/27 @ 3:30pm) | | | |
|---|--------------|----------------|---------------|
| | Total Tested | Total Positive | Positive Rate |
| Alachua | 82,457 | 5,082 | 6.16% |
| Baker | 6,661 | 1,136 | 17.05% |
| Bradford | 5,349 | 692 | 12.94% |
| Clay | 38,803 | 3,809 | 9.82% |
| Columbia | 15,153 | 3,295 | 21.74% |
| Dixie | 4,654 | 685 | 14.72% |
| Duval | 232,517 | 26,017 | 11.19% |
| Flagler | 17,011 | 1,279 | 7.52% |
| Gilchrist | 4,097 | 447 | 10.91% |
| Hamilton | 5,179 | 686 | 13.25% |
| Lafayette | 2,489 | 1,177 | 47.29% |
| Levy | 7,204 | 886 | 12.3% |
| Marion | 60,733 | 8,261 | 13.6% |
| Nassau | 17,021 | 1,574 | 9.25% |
| Putnam | 14,573 | 1,750 | 12.01% |
| St. Johns | 45,856 | 4,239 | 9.24% |
| Suwannee | 9,933 | 2,388 | 24.04% |
| Union | 8,617 | 561 | 6.51% |
| Statewide | 4,524,203 | 611,991 | 13.53% |

FDOH updates data daily at a 11:00 am *Hospitalization includes persons that may no longer be hospitalized.

NEW CMS: New Rules Released Tuesday Night *NEW*

CMS Guidance on Staff Testing [CMS-3401-IFC 8/26/2020](#)

[QSO Memo 20-38-NH August 26, 2020](#)

[QSO Memo 20-37-CLIA,NH August 26, 2020](#)

AHCA is reviewing this new guidance and will e-Blast information very soon.

The **current AHCA Emergency Rules for testing every 2 weeks have not changed.**

Details of the new CMS testing rule are on today's FHCA conference call (8/27/2020). [Recording here](#)

Conference Call Highlights

- State Surgeon General Scott Rivkees urges everyone to get flu vaccinations now, including LTC residents.
- Trends continue to improve. Since the high in July, there has been a reduction of: 53% in COVID hospitalizations; 36% in LTC residents testing positive; and a 45% in LTC staff testing positive.
- CMS released new rules for testing and reporting. AHCA is reviewing these rules and will provide guidance. All Florida testing rules still apply. See above.
- The State Task Force on the Safe and Limited Re-opening of LTC Facilities provided its final report to Governor DeSantis for review. [8/26/2020 Presentation](#)

Symptom-Based Strategy to Return to Work

Key Messages from Dr. Rivkees concerning the new [CDC's Symptom-based strategies to Return to Work](#)
Research shows that the PCR test is very sensitive and a person can test positive for up to 3 months, but they are no longer infectious. The CDC has released new guidance for a return-to-work symptom-based strategy.

If you :

- are COVID positive, but asymptomatic, you should isolate for 10 days.
- have mild symptoms, you may return to work if at least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared **AND** at least 24 hours have passed since last fever without medications **AND** symptoms have improved.
- Had severe to critical illness **OR** are severely immunocompromised, you may return to work at least 10 days and up to 20 days after symptoms first appeared.
- At least 24 hours has passed since last fever without medications **AND** symptoms have improved.

Details about the CDC guidance are included in the CDC link above.

For questions to FDOH or AHCA, please email your questions to provider.COVID19@FLHealth.gov

Florida continues to have positive trends in the data; decrease in CLI, decrease in hospitalizations and RT value of 0.90.
Statewide Daily Testing Data for Wednesday, 8/19/2020: 68,393 Tested - 4,605 Positive - Daily Percent Positive 6.73%



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TOGETHER WE CAN.

What's your behavior pattern with CV19 and how does it affect your health? Take the survey and find out!

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Statewide Conference Calls

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Coalition staff attends the following statewide calls and provides the daily summaries and highlights above.

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| Hospitals & FHA | Tuesday 10:00 am | 888-585-9008 Code 488 097 156# |
| Behavioral Health Centers | Tuesday 10:45 am | 888-585-9008 Code 208 305 233# |
| Healthcare Providers | Tuesday 5:30 pm | 888-585-9008 Code 208 305 233# |
| Home Health & Community Providers | Thursday 1:00 pm | 888-585-9008 Code 208 305 233# |
| Nursing Homes & FHCA (recorded & posted) | Thursday 4:15 pm | 866-951-1151 Room ID 8484844# |

Important Updates for Health Care Providers for COVID-19

[Letter](#) from State Surgeon General Dr. Scott Rivkees

Governor DeSantis Extends State of Emergency for COVID-19 [Executive Order 20-166](#)

State Surgeon General Issues Public Health Advisory for COVID-19 [Public Health Advisory](#)

Volunteer for COVID-19 Clinical Trial To learn more about volunteering for a COVID-19 Prevention Clinical Study, please click [here](#)

Agency for Health Care Administration Emergency Rule [Emergency Rule 59AER20-8](#) New Symptom-based screening strategy

Criteria for Return to Work for Healthcare Personnel with SARS-CoV-2 Infection ([Interim Guidance](#)) Updated

Duration of Isolation and Quarantine for Persons with COVID-19 [Updated CDC Guidance](#) see page 2 for more details.

COVID-19 Convalescent Plasma Donating plasma is one of the ways you can help those fighting COVID-19. If you or your patients have had COVID-19 and have been completely symptom free for at least two weeks, your plasma may help save the lives of other patients. Learn more [HERE](#).

Agency for Health Care Administration Complaint Process For concerns regarding a health care facility in Florida, consumers, patient advocates, and practitioners may file a complaint with the Agency for Health Care Administration. Complaints can be filed anonymously. However, please be sure to include sufficient information, such as the patient/resident name, date(s) of events, and any other specifics pertinent to the complaint, to allow proper assessment of concerns. You may file a complaint with the Agency by calling our toll-free Complaint & Information Call Center at 1-888-419-3456 or by completing our online complaint form at: <https://apps.ahca.myflorida.com/hcfc/>. Please refer to the Agency's Consumer Complaint website for additional information at https://ahca.myflorida.com/Contact/call_center.shtml.

Health Care Practitioner COVID-19 Resources [What to do if you've been exposed](#) & [I tested positive. What happens now?](#)

Center for Domestic Preparedness

[Virtual Instructor Led Training List](#)

Crisis Standards of Care

Mass Casualty Incident Response

Medical Surge Management

Hospital Incident Command

Healthcare Facility Preparedness

& Many More

Offerings throughout August and September

Find a Testing Site

[Florida's Mobile Testing Lab & Community Testing Sites](#)

[State Supported Testing Sites](#)

Healthcare Coalition Information

If this report was forwarded to you, join the HCC to receive Situation Reports and more.

[Click here to join the Coalition.](#)

Healthcare Coalition Contacts

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ESS Updates

[Long Term Care Facility Additional Info Entry—Question & Guidance 7/20/2020](#)

[Hospital Additional Entry—Beds & Info 7/16/2020](#)

[Hospitals](#) Updated 6/11/2020

[Hurricane Pre Plan \(Hospitals\) 6/3/2020](#)

[Hurricane Prep Plan 5/29/2020](#)

[Long-Term Care Facilities](#) Updated 5/28/2020

[Additional Entry Question Guidance](#)

*****Timely & Accurate ESS Data Entry continues to be critical for planning*****

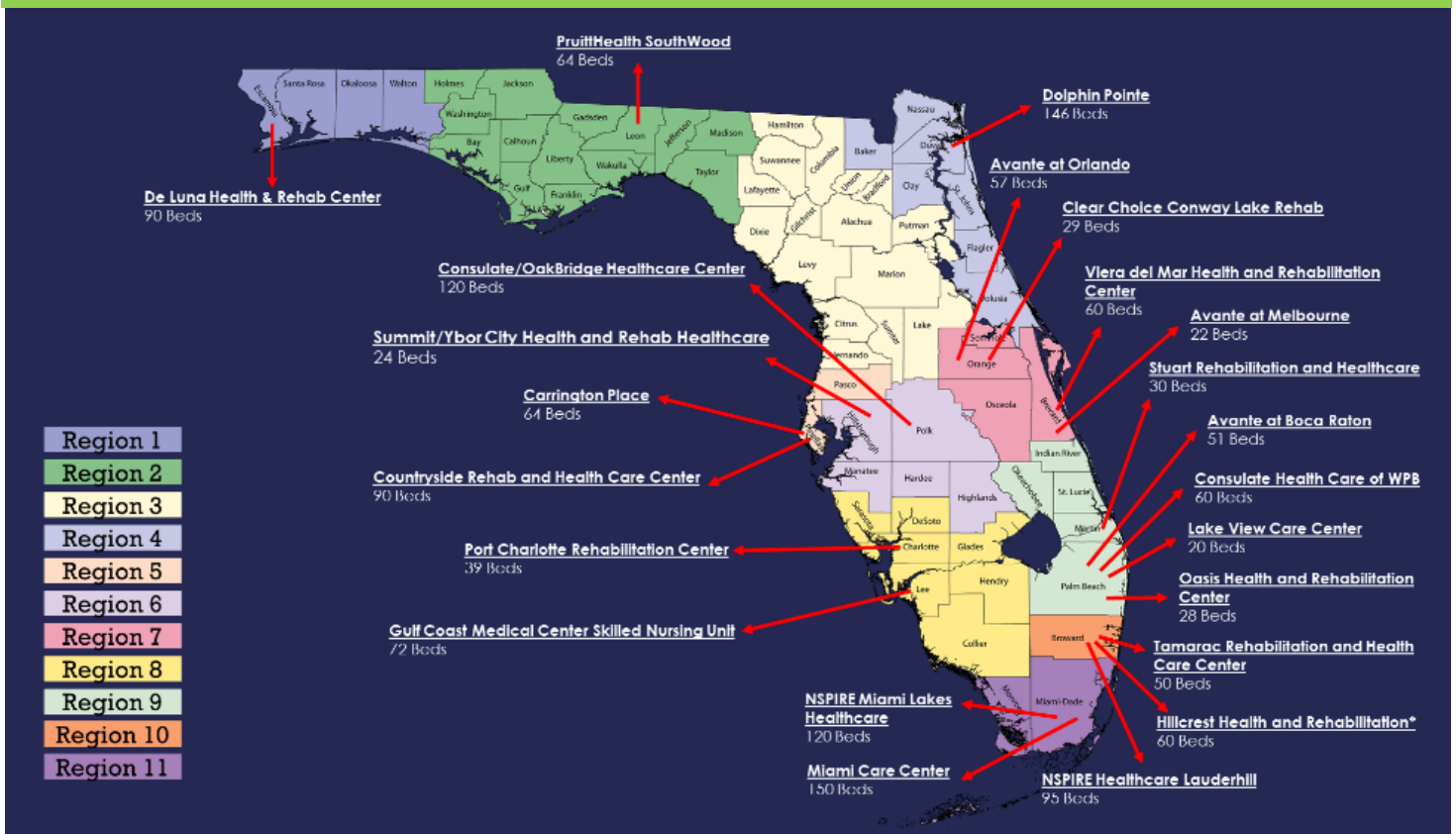
AHCA's LTC Transfers & Testing Updates

[Alert released July 20, 2020](#)

Regional COVID-19 Isolation Centers

https://ahca.myflorida.com/covid-19_inf.shtml

Map & list with links found on website above along with more details about these centers.



As of July 31, 2020, the Agency has agreements with 23 COVID-19 Isolation Centers

Webinar Series APHA & National Academy of Medicine

COVID-19 Conversations

View [recordings of past webinars](#) from the American Public Health Association & the National Academy of Medicine

AHCA information on testing every 2 weeks for staff in NH & ALFs

Emergency Rules: [59AER20-4](#) & [59AER20-5](#) Emergency Rule [Q&A from AHCA](#)

Curative (Testing Contractor) Contact Information

Support Line: 1-888-702-9042

Support Email: support@curativeinc.com

AHCA Emergency Rule and Facility COVID Requirements

[AHCA Alert: Nursing Home Resident Transfers](#) May 5, 2020

[Emergency Rule: Requiring Staff COVID-19 Testing at Long-term Care Facilities](#) May 10, 2020

[59AER20-2 Mandatory Entry and Testing for Assisted Living Facilities](#)

[Q&A for Entry and Testing for ALFs](#)

[59AER20-3 Mandatory Entry for Testing and Infection Control for Nursing Homes](#)

[Q&A for Entry Testing & Infection Control for NHs](#)

[AHCA Facility Information and Alerts](#)

Article: Blood Type Tied to COVID Risk

Read the NIH article [here](#)

FDA Warns of Toxic Hand Sanitizers

See the list of brand names [here](#)

Cloth Face Coverings for Community Groups

County Health Departments (CHD) have cloth face coverings available for community groups, free of charge. Contact your CHD for details.

<http://www.floridahealth.gov/all-county-locations.html>

COVID Data from FDOH

All reports are linked at <https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/>

Pediatric Report [Link](#)

Antibody Results [Serology](#) & [Point-of-Care](#)

Long-Term Care [Positive Cases](#) & [Deaths](#)

Register with local emergency management to receive emergency messages.

<https://apps.floridadisaster.org/alertflorida/>



Monitor Current Risks for Florida

[NWS Jax Daily Weather Briefings](#)

[Current Wildfire Conditions](#)

[USCG Water Data](#) [Flood Gauges by County](#)

Relieve Stress for Healthcare Workers

[Self-Care Exercise](#)

One Blood

One Blood is encouraging healthcare workers and first responders that have recovered from COVID to donate plasma. Go to www.oneblood.org/covid19 or dial 888-9DONATE

ASPR Workforce Virtual Toolkit

Resources for Healthcare Decision-Makers

<https://asprtracie.hhs.gov/Workforce-Virtual-Toolkit>

Alternate Care Strategies

[ASPR Strategies](#)

[Wheelchair and Assistive Technology Users ATTENTION: PRECAUTIONS for COVID-19](#)

Florida Agencies & Resources

FHCA Webinar Series [Recordings](#)

COVID-19 Printable Materials

[CDC Communications](#) & [FL DOH Materials](#)

Florida COVID-19 Contacts

[Florida Health COVID-19](#)

COVID-19 Call Center 24/7

(866) 779-6121

COVID-19@FLHealth.gov

[County Emergency Management](#)

FHCA Nursing Home & Regulatory Partners

[Statewide Conference Call Recordings](#)

Email for Nursing Home/LTC Questions covid@fhca.org

FL Department of Elder Affairs

Services for Florida seniors, their families and caregivers

<http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/>

FDEM Recovery Bureau

[Recovery Questions & Answers](#)

AHCA Resources

[AHCA- COVID Alerts](#)

[Healthcare Facility Updates](#)

Transfer Forms

[SNF to Hospital](#) [Hospital to SNF](#)

[ESS Resources](#) [ESS Log In Page](#)

[ESS Hospital Bed Availability Dashboard](#)

Florida COVID-19 Resources

[Executive Orders \(Governor & State Agencies\)](#)

[Florida COVID-19 Daily Report](#)

Click on the **See the Report** link at the bottom of the webpage

[Florida Data & Surveillance Dashboard](#)

Emergency Status System: [ESS](#)

Agency for Healthcare Administration: [AHCA](#)

FL Healthcare Association: [FHCA](#)

Agency for Persons with Disabilities: [APD Cares](#)

DCF Mental Health Services: [DCF](#)

FL Division of Emergency Management: [DEM](#)

CMS Nursing Home COVID-19 Data

Full Report [Click Here](#)

Federal Agencies & Resources

Administration for Community Living

Supports needs of the aging and disability populations
<https://acl.gov/COVID-19>

CDC Mental Health Resources

[Taking Care of your Emotional Health](#)
[Helping Children Cope](#)

[FEMA: COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

[Medical Costs Eligible for Public Assistance](#)

National Resources

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| CDC COVID-19 Main Page | CDC Situation Summary |
| CDC Testing Priorities | CDC Testing Information |
| ASPR Tracie Planning Resources | FAQs about COVID-19 |
| CMS Partner Toolkit | CMS: Hospitals Without Walls |
| FEMA's Rumor Control | Travel Advisories US Dept of State |
| Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) | Southeast ADA Center |
| COVID-19 Fraud Alerts | |

PPE Information

[CDC Personal Protective Equipment Guidance](#)

[NIOSH approved N95s](#)

[PPE Burn Rate Calculator](#)

Guidance on strategies to optimize PPE supplies:

[Eye Protection](#)

[Isolation Gowns](#)

[Facemasks](#)

[N95 Respirators](#)

[Summary List for Healthcare Facilities](#)

Counterfeit Respirator [Information](#)

Telemedicine Video

[Medicare Coverage & Payment of Virtual Services](#)

Critical Infrastructure Workers

[Guidance](#) for critical infrastructure workers that may have been exposed to COVID-19

FEMA Rumor Control

[Coronavirus Rumor Control Q&A](#)

CDC Cloth Face Coverings

[How to make & wear cloth face coverings](#)

CDC Decontamination & Reuse of Filtering Facepiece Respirators

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/ppe-strategy/decontamination-reuse-respirators.html>

National Emerging Special Pathogen Training & Education Center

[Past Recordings & Upcoming Webinars](#)