

Big Bend Health Care Coalition COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT #36

SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

TRAININGS

- Hidden Consequences: How COVID Pandemic is Impacting Children – September 30, 2020
- CMS-CDC Fundamentals of COVID-19 Prevention for Nursing Home Management – Multiple Offerings
- COVID-19: Current State of the Pandemic - September 25, 2020

Drive-Thru COVID 19 Mobile Testing Site this Saturday,
September 26 at Shady Grove #1 Primitive Baptist Church
(1478 Chaires Cross Road)
Testing is free to all patients and
will be open from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

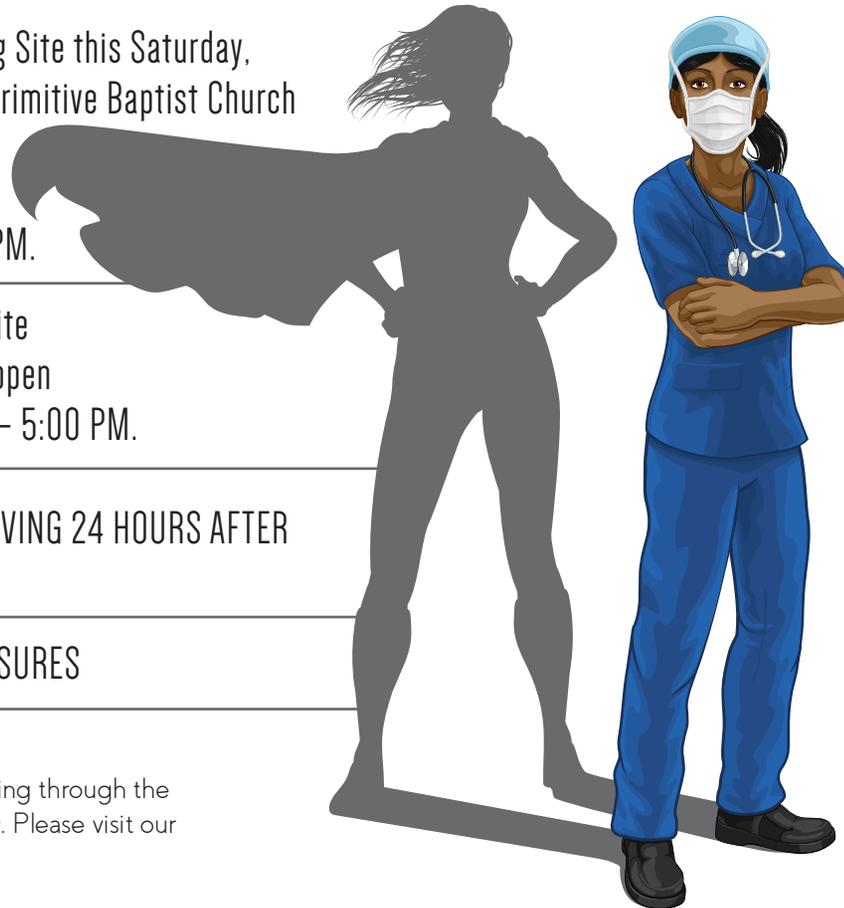
Bragg Memorial Stadium Testing Site
- Adjusted hours: This site will be open
Monday – Saturday from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM.

COVID-19 VACCINE WILL BEGIN MOVING 24 HOURS AFTER
FIRST ONE IS APPROVED

COVID-19 ISOLATION FACILITY CLOSURES

BBHCC Project Funding:

Deadline to submit applications for funding through the BBHCC are due September 30, 2020. Please visit our website to complete your application.



CURRENT* COVID-19 CASES (BIG BEND REGION)

*updated as of 9.23.2020 at 11:00am

COUNTY	7-day avg. new cases	Current COVID Hospitalizations	Total COVID Fatalities
Calhoun	<1	0	10
Franklin	2	0	3
Gadsden	12	25	45
Gulf	<1	0	14
Jackson	13	5	77
Jefferson	2	0	8
Leon	102	52	63
Liberty	1	0	8
Madison	2	0	18
Taylor	4	0	12
Wakulla	9	0	9



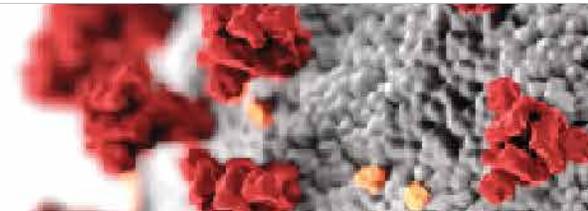
One Blood is asking for individuals who have recovered from COVID-19 to donate plasma. For more information, click here.

GOVERNOR DESANTIS' EXECUTIVE ORDERS

For resource requests in your county please contact your local emergency management office.



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STATEWIDE CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY

- Positivity rate has remained in the stable range over past 10 days sitting between 4% and 6%. RT value remains below 1 at around .8, which is positive news.
- We continue to see a decrease in COVID like illness along with a decrease in COVID hospitalizations.
- All types of testing remain highly available. All results from the various tests must be reported to DOH within a 24-hour period
- Remdesivir is still available and has been approved for all patients that are currently hospitalized.
- The state has been working with federal guidance on vaccination planning and distribution. Be on the lookout from your facilities for a survey regarding vaccination planning.
- Flu shots are available. please encourage that all patients and families of patients are receiving this vaccine and other vaccines, as necessary. Encourage those who put off routine visits due to COVID are now receiving those visits and getting up to date.
- 2200 statewide hospitalizations. Huge reduction from the peak in July. Dramatic reduction in cases in LTC and NHs as well.
- State partners are continuing their work on providing guidance around allowing limited visitation in NH and LTC. CMS announced their guidance on visitation recently and the state is reviewing that guidance to decide on next steps moving forward.
- The state is beginning the process of winding down isolation facilities around the state due to the reduction in numbers of cases, with the understanding that these facilities proved valuable and can easily be stood back up in the future.
- Regional engagement continues to serve as a best practice in combating this virus, and these collaborative partnerships should continue to be made and maintained. Collaboration between NH, Hospitals, group homes, etc., need to be sustained through the future.
- Continue to use symptom-based approach for patients who have previously tested positive for COVID when deciding if they can return to work or to their facility.

ESS INFORMATION FOR REPORTING FACILITIES

- ESS is critically important for the State to anticipate demand in the hospital & sub-acute care setting. This data influences decisions on the need for additional support and equipment requests from federal government.
- Facilities MUST verify and update data once daily.
- ESS is adding more fields daily. Instructions on these new fields available on the AHCA ESS website.
- Hospitals should estimate the number of med surge beds that can be converted to ICU beds. Do not duplicate bed numbers in different categories. Start with highest acuity beds.
- Corporate Representatives can be established to monitor data entry at individual facilities. Contact AHCA for assistance

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Protect the vulnerable
Wash your hands
Practice social distancing
Wear a mask

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