**Central MN Healthcare**

**Preparedness Coalition**

**03/17/2020 COVID-19**

**Update**

**Updates / Informational resources:**

* Minnesota has confirmed 60 cases of COVID-19 as of 3/17/2020
  + Minnesota now has it first cases of community transmission – not just related to travel
* Both State and Federal Emergency Disaster Declarations have occurred
  + Governor Walz has closed schools effective 3/18/2020
  + Social distancing is being pushed out to all
  + Restaurants, Bars, Gyms and other typical gather establishments are asked to close as well OR provide for delivery or pick.
* Personal protective equipment (PPE) continue to be in short supply and conservation measures need to be considered and implemented if needed**.**

**Regional Activities:**

The **Regional Health Multi-agency coordination center (HMAC)** is now fully activated.

* + The Regional Healthcare Preparedness Coordinator (RHPC) Is meeting frequently with coalition members and representatives from other coalitions and the state.

**MNTrac Command Center** –

* + Is open and monitored freqeuntly. If you need access to the command center please reach out to the RHPC - Don
  + Command Center will be the primary source for information sharing by the coalition.
  + **Ask questions in Command Center – if the coalition doesn’t answer one of your peers may have an answer or suggestion.**
  + Any posts that are ALL CAPS are from the coalition and require your attention.
  + **If there are any urgent needs or questions please do not utilize the Command Center….reach out directly to Don**

**Coalition Situation reports**

* + Will be sent out at least once a week and more if needed.

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):**

* Daily we are receiving calls and emails requesting PPE assistance. The process and request questionnaire is posted in the Command Center as well as on the coalition website.
* The State has updated their a resource needs reporting tool….the link to the REDCAP site is in the Command Center room as well as on the home page of the coalition website. Prior to handing out PPE – we are requiring that all facilities report scarce resource/supply chain issues to MDH. Obviously we would love to be able to give everyone the PPE that they ask for however we do need to ensure that those with the highest risk, and highest need are assisted.

**MNTrac Bed Availability:**

**Hospitals:** MDH has asked that hospitals update beds daily. **Effective 3/16/2020 this update also includes indicating your ventilator availability. Please be sure staff are updating daily – an alert will be generated by MDH.**

**Long Term Care/Assisted Living:** We are requesting that LTC update their bed availability on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays’ – a MNTrac Alert will go out in the morning to remind facilities.

If anyone needs any assistance with MNTrac please reach out to the RHPC (contact information below).

**RESOURCES/LINKS:** (click on the links)

[**CDC.GOV Coronovirus Site**](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html)

[**MDH Coronovirus site**](https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/index.html)

[**COALITION WEBSITE RESOURCE LIBRARY**](https://www.cwchealthcarecoalitions.org/resource-library/)

In the Resource Library Section titled COVID 19 there is the LTC COVID 19 Resource list and the Health Care Checklist

[**NIOSH Post Market N95 Respirator Usage and Efficiency**](file:///C:\Users\csf284\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\Content.Outlook\OWE25EOK\NIOSH%20Post%20Market%20N95%20Usage%20and%20Efficiency)

[**MDH Crisis Standards of Care**](file:///C:\Users\csf284\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\Content.Outlook\OWE25EOK\MDH%20Crisis%20Standards%20of%20Care)

[**CDC Updated Guidance for PPE use - effective 3-10-2020**](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/infection-control/control-recommendations.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fhcp%2Finfection-control.html)

 

**ASPR Tracie has some helful limks as well:**

ASPR Tracie COVID-19:

<https://asprtracie.hhs.gov/MasterSearch?qt=COVID+-+19&limit=20&page=1&CurTab=0>

**CONFERENCE CALLS/WEBEX INFORMATION/HOT LINES:**

**COALITON MEETING**

* There will be a coalition webex on Friday March 20th.
* LTC – 8-9am (Invited to stay for the remainder but we suspect there will specific needs of LTC)
* Other 9:30 – 13:30 (Time is alloted but we can certainly end early)

Webex information has been sent – if you have not recioeved it please let the RHPC know. - Don

**MINNESOTA HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION WEEKLY CALL INFORMATION:**

The joint MDH/MHA calls are held Thursdays at 12:30 and coalition members are invited to attend.

* 1. March 19, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. – [Register](https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fweb.telspan.com%2Fregister%2F240mnhospitals%2Fcovid19-03192020&data=02%7C01%7Cjudy.seaberg%40state.mn.us%7C7f6deb8e734e431bacf708d7ba31b18a%7Ceb14b04624c445198f26b89c2159828c%7C0%7C1%7C637182594907666974&sdata=i1vvmhECI8IrQdibfubvKHOpWcWYzW3MsBBM0LD9c9s%3D&reserved=0)
  2. March 26, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. – [Register](https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fweb.telspan.com%2Fregister%2F240mnhospitals%2Fcovid19-03262020&data=02%7C01%7Cjudy.seaberg%40state.mn.us%7C7f6deb8e734e431bacf708d7ba31b18a%7Ceb14b04624c445198f26b89c2159828c%7C0%7C1%7C637182594907671965&sdata=MnacJFiegM8xUo%2FTIAijHhhBFCksUFLnctOHHHg0LkI%3D&reserved=0)

**LTC Calls**

**Topic: Long Term Care Preparedness for COVID-19**

Toll-Free Dial-In Number: **(844) 804-0271**

Conference ID: **6172388**

Date: Wednesday, March 18, 2020

Time: 3:30 pm Central Standard Time

If you have multiple callers from the same facility, please try to call from a single line. This will ensure we have enough space on the line for everyone who wants to participate. Thank you very much!

**For information and updates from MDH pertaining to Long Term Care, please check out** [**https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/hcp/ltc.html**](https://nam01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.health.state.mn.us%2Fdiseases%2Fcoronavirus%2Fhcp%2Fltc.html&data=02%7C01%7Cdonald.sheldrew%40centracare.com%7Cef09b8742640415062b308d7cac31c4b%7C1c45913baa5f4d3b9bfc987ab127fe57%7C0%7C0%7C637200811658229487&sdata=86JFaQZaEJq2g7xTvWI0JYTNp%2F7AryHrfqB0wdcp30M%3D&reserved=0)

**HOTLINES**

**School and childcare questions:** 651-297-1304 or 1-800-657-3504 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**Health questions (general public):** 651-201-3920 or 1-800-657-3903 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**Regional Contacts:**

RHPC                            Donald Sheldrew    (320) 255-5967

24/7 RHPC Line (320) 654-2720         \*Identify that you wish to speak to the coalition emergency preparedness representative

PHPC                           Katie Triebold          (320) 223-7332

Epidemiology             Pam Lemaster          (320) 223-7319

**Please remember to be connected to your local Public Health and Emergency Manager**

Additional contact information and more information can be found on the regional website

<https://www.cwchealthcarecoalitions.org/>