



COVID-19 Daily Update

Maryland Department of Health
Maryland Primary Care Program
Program Management Office

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The Crisis

Spanish Flu -
A streetcar
conductor in
Seattle 1918
refusing
passengers
not wearing
facemasks



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Key Takeaways

- ❖ You remain on the front line against COVID-19 in Maryland
- ❖ This epidemic affects **EVERYONE**, including many of your patients
- ❖ You are uniquely positioned to identify at-risk populations, provide important social distancing information to them, and serve their healthcare needs through telemedicine
- ❖ No one can do this better than you!

Agenda

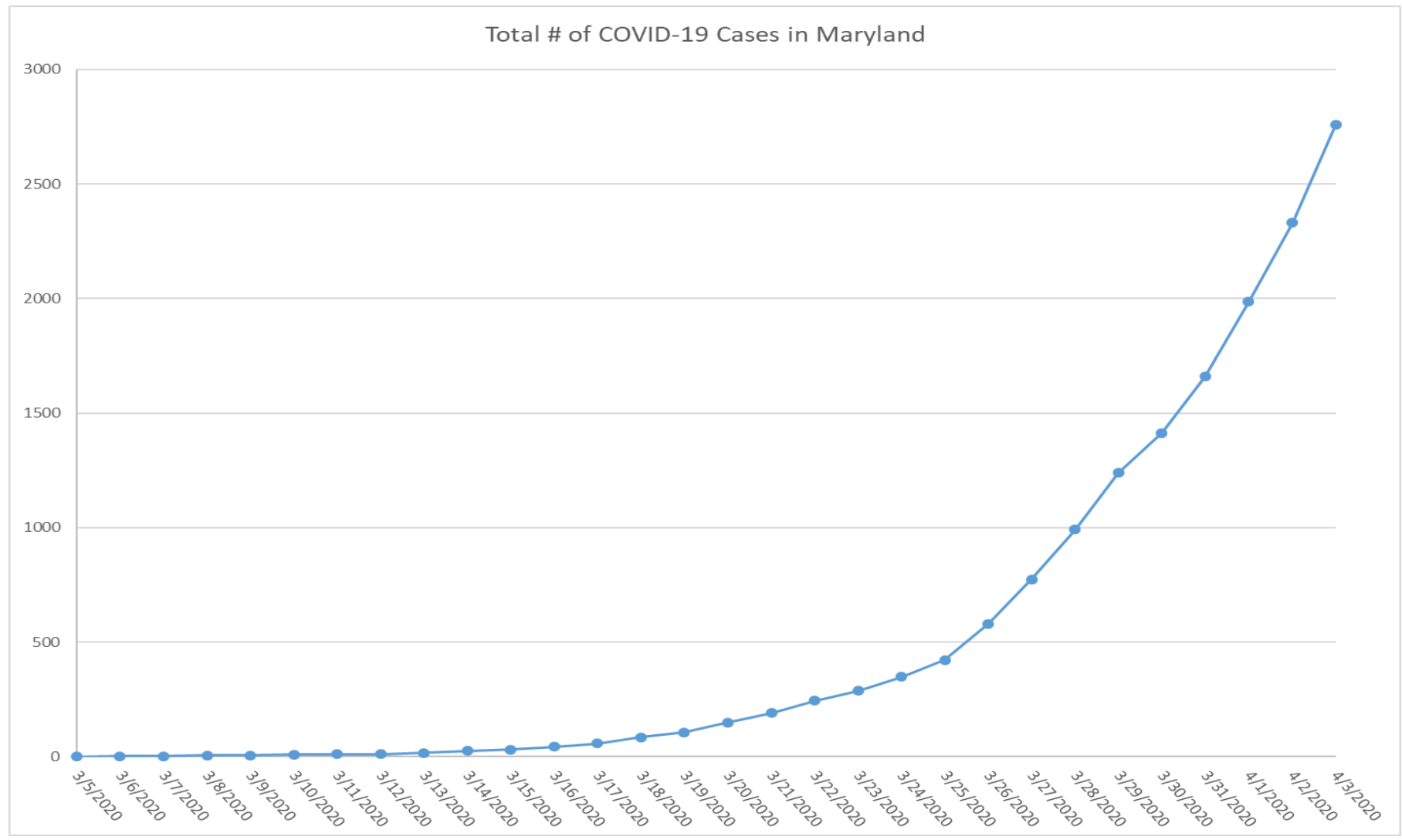
- ❖ Today's key updates
- ❖ What's Important Now (WIN)
- ❖ Messaging
- ❖ Testing Locations
- ❖ Patient Management
- ❖ PPE Sources/Requests
- ❖ Announcements
- ❖ Resources
- ❖ Practitioner Guest Panel
- ❖ Q & A

Morbidity and Mortality Update

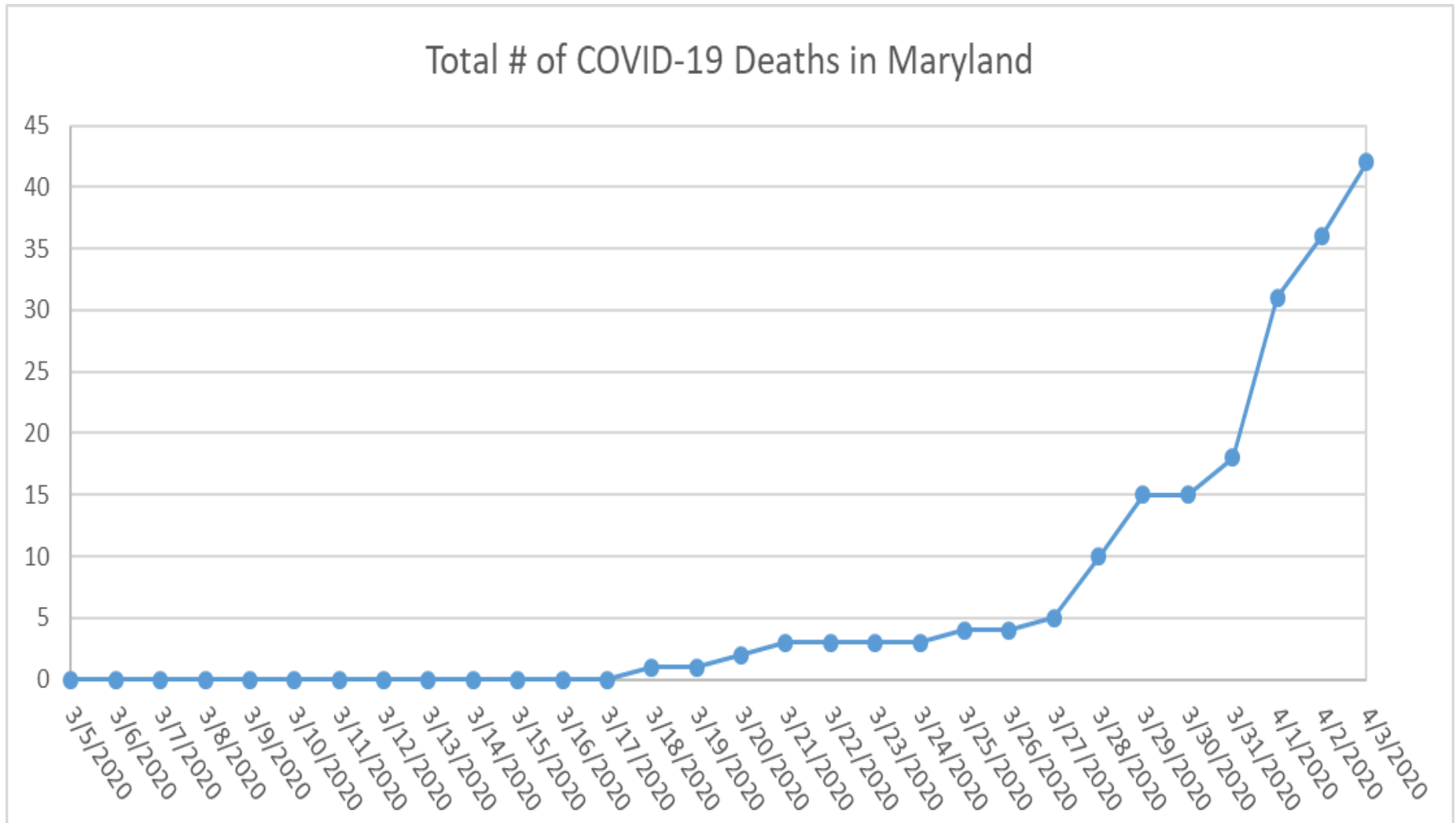
| | New Cases since April 2 | Cumulative Cases | Cumulative Hospitalized | Cumulative Deaths |
|---------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| United States | | 213,144 (April 2nd) | | 4513 (April 2nd) |
| Maryland | 427 | 2758 | 664 | 42 |

Total COVID-19 Cases in Maryland

Total # of COVID-19 Cases in Maryland



Total COVID-19 Deaths in Maryland



What's Important Now (WIN)

- ❖ Identify and contact high-risk patients
- ❖ Maximize non-face-to-face visits using telemedicine
- ❖ Maximize access to care
- ❖ Identify appropriate candidates for testing
- ❖ Clinical management of patients
- ❖ Stay current, stay safe

Messaging to All Patients

- ❖ *Stay home, stay away from this virus* – it can kill you, anyone can carry the virus
- ❖ We are here to support your medical needs - call
- ❖ Stay at least 6 feet away from everyone who do not live with you
- ❖ Ensure your caregiver is also maintaining distance from others and frequently handwashing
- ❖ Maintain at least a 2-week supply of food and medicine
- ❖ If you go out for a walk, keep your distance

Support for Patients at Home

- ❖ Meals on Wheels
- ❖ Visiting nurses and caregivers
- ❖ Support from family
- ❖ Phone calls and videochat to fight loneliness
- ❖ MD Department of Aging [Senior Call Check Program](#)

Testing Locations – what is known

| Testing Site Name | Location | Contact |
|--|--|--------------|
| MedStar St. Mary's Hospital | 25500 Point Lookout Rd., Leonardtown, MD 20650 | 301-475-4911 |
| UMMS, Upper Chesapeake Hospital | 500 Upper Chesapeake Dr., Bel Air, MD 21014 | 443-843-8880 |
| LifeBridge Health, Carroll Hospital | 200 Memorial Ave., Westminster, MD 21157 | 410-601-2222 |
| LifeBridge Health, Sinai Hospital | 2401 W. Belvedere Ave., Baltimore, MD 21215 | 410-601-2222 |
| Greater Baltimore Medical Center Health Partners | 555 W. Towsontown, Blvd., Towson, MD | 443-849-6819 |
| Queen Anne's County Health Department | 1000 College Circle, Wye Mills, Talbot, MD 21679 | 443-262-9900 |
| Frederick Health Tollhouse | 501 W. 7 th St., Frederick, MD 21701 | 240-215-6310 |
| FedEx Field | Prince George's County | 301-883-6627 |
| <u>MedStar Health</u> | Ctrl + click on "MedStar Health" to your left | |
| VEIP call center | | 866-984-4405 |

CDC Guidelines for Management

- ❖ Healthy people can be monitored, self-isolated at home
- ❖ People at higher risk should contact healthcare providers early, even if illness is mild
- ❖ Older adults and people with severe underlying chronic medical conditions are at higher risk, need closer contact
- ❖ Emergency Department and Hospitals only when needed - not for screening or low risk/minimal disease

- ❖ **Guidelines are important and powerful tools, but remember providers' clinical experience and judgment are key to care**

FDA Emergency Use Authorization for Chloroquine and Hydroxychloroquine

- ❖ Neither drug is [FDA-approved](#) to treat COVID-19
- ❖ Both can induce serious adverse side effects including arrhythmias and retinopathy
- ❖ FDA Fact Sheet instructions, warnings, drug interactions and potential side effects on both drugs:
 - [Chloroquine](#)
 - [Hydroxychloroquine](#)
- ❖ Providers should obtain the FDA EUA information before use

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Requests

- ❖ Routed through Local Health Departments
- ❖ Priority as previously stated - may change over time
- ❖ Remain in scarce supply

- ❖ Find PPE request forms and local contacts [here](#)

Announcements

- ❖ [Coronavirus Emergency Loans Guide and Checklist for Small Businesses and Nonprofits](#) (U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation)
- ❖ [Preliminary Estimates of the Prevalence of Selected Underlying Health Conditions among Patients with COVID-19](#) – U.S. Feb 12-Mar 28 (Morbidity & Mortality Weekly Report)
- ❖ CareFirst COVID-19 updates on Wednesdays starting April 8th
- ❖ Opportunity to Volunteer - Maryland Responds Medical Reserve Corps (MRMRC)
 - <https://mdresponds.health.maryland.gov/>

Staying Current - Sources

- ❖ [CDC](#)
- ❖ [MDH COVID-19 information page](#)
- ❖ [MDPCP COVID-19 webpage](#)
- ❖ Local Health Departments
- ❖ [CONNECT](#)
- ❖ Clinician Letters

Resources and References

- ❖ Maryland Department of Health Coronavirus Website (<https://coronavirus.maryland.gov>)
- ❖ CDC Coronavirus Website (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>)
- ❖ CDC National data on COVID-19 infection and mortality (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/cases-in-us.html>)
- ❖ CDC Interim Guidance for Homes and Communities (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-prevent-spread.html>)
- ❖ CDC Interim Guidance for Businesses (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/specific-groups/guidance-business-response.html>)
- ❖ CDC Interim Guidance for Childcare and Schools (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/specific-groups/guidance-for-schools.html>)
- ❖ CDC Travel Website (<https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/>)

Resources for Specific Groups

- ❖ Community- and Faith-Based Organizations
(<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-community-faith-organizations.html>)
- ❖ Mass Gatherings and Large Community Events
(<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/mass-gatherings-ready-for-covid-19.html>)
- ❖ Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions for Specific Groups
(<https://www.cdc.gov/nonpharmaceutical-interventions/index.html>)

Food Resources

❖ Nutrition: Inform patients that children can receive three free meals/day at sites listed on:

- [Maryland Summer Meals](#)
- [Montgomery County](#)
- [Prince Georges County](#)
- [Charles County](#)
- [Frederick County](#)
- [Howard County](#)
- [Anne Arundel County](#)
- [St. Mary's County](#)
- [Harford County](#)
- [Calvert County](#)

❖ Free meals available from 42 rec centers in Baltimore

- Call 311 for locations and to schedule pickup time

State Emergency Funds for Small Business

- ❖ [Maryland Small Business COVID-19 Emergency Relief Loan Fund](#)
 - \$75 million loan fund (to be paid to for-profit business only)
 - Loans are up to \$50,000
 - No interest or principal payments due for the first 12 months
 - Thereafter converts to 36-month term loan of principal and interest payments, with interest rate of 2% per annum
- ❖ [Maryland Small Business COVID-19 Emergency Relief Grant Fund](#)
 - \$50 million grant program for businesses and non-profits
 - Grant amounts of up to \$10,000
 - Grant amounts not to exceed three months of demonstrated cash operating expenses for Q1 2020
- ❖ [Emergency Relief Fund FAQ](#)
- ❖ Questions or concerns
email fpaaworkflowcoordinator.commerce@maryland.gov.

State Emergency Funds for Small Business

- ❖ [COVID-19 Layoff Aversion Fund](#) (from Maryland Governor Larry Hogan and Maryland Dept. of Labor)
 - Designed to support businesses undergoing economic stresses due to the pandemic by minimizing the duration of unemployment resulting from layoffs
 - Award of up to \$50,000 per applicant
 - Will be quick deployable benefit and customizable to specific business needs
- ❖ [View the One-Pager](#)
- ❖ [COVID-19 Layoff Aversion Fund Policy](#)
- ❖ [COVID-19 Layoff Aversion Fund Application](#) (Excel)
- ❖ Submit your completed application to: LaborCOVID19.layoffaversion@maryland.gov.

Federal Emergency Funds for Small Business

- ❖ [Disaster Loan Assistance](#) (from Small Business Administration)
 - Low-interest financial disaster loans for working capital in small businesses suffering substantial economic injury due to COVID-19
 - [FAQs](#)
- ❖ [CARES Act](#) (pending federal legislation)
 - Sets up a \$350 billion loan program for small businesses
 - Small businesses can apply for low-interest loans that cover up to 2.5 months of expenses
 - Maximum loan amount is \$10 million
 - Loans can cover payroll, rent, utilities, or existing debt obligations
 - Interest rates cannot exceed 4%
 - If employer continues to pay workers through June, the amount of the loans that went toward eligible costs would be forgiven
 - Loans will be available through the [Small Business Administration](#) and Treasury-approved banks, credit unions, and some nonbank lenders

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Practitioner Guest Panel

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- Dr. Andrew Dobin, MD PA
- Dr. Allison Williams, MD – Village Green Primary Care, LLC

Q&A

Questions and Answers

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