

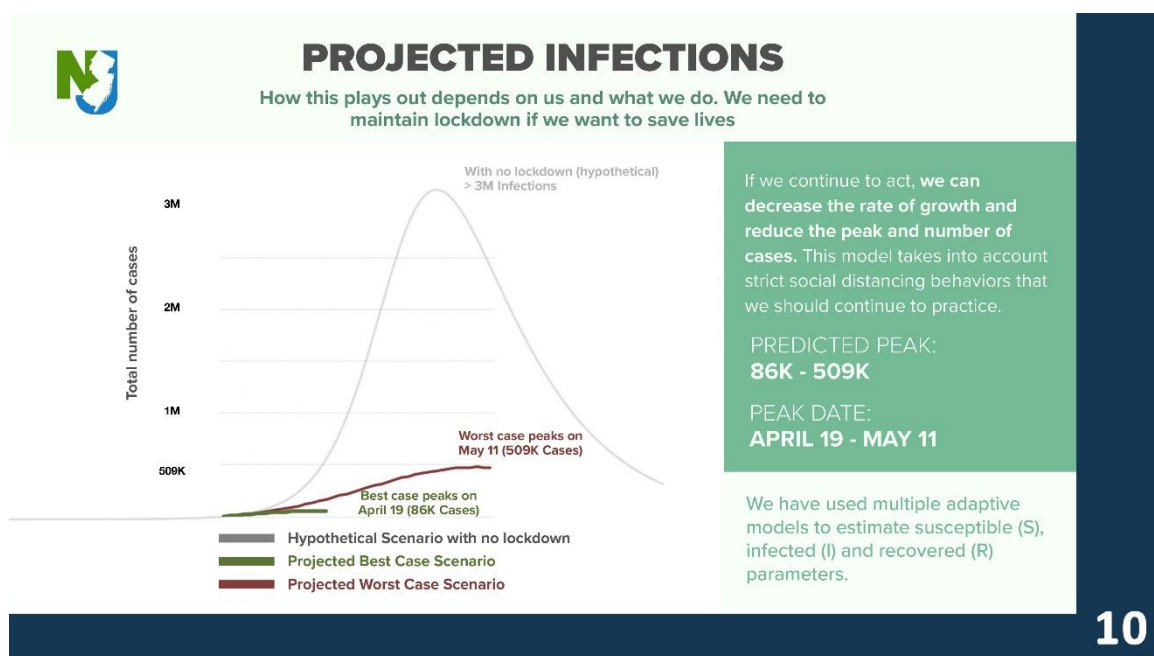
# Coronavirus (COVID-19)

## Information

**Update 17: April 6, 2020**

Good afternoon,

The “Stay At Home” order is working in New Jersey, according to the governor. “If we continue to stay home and practice social distancing, we can stick ourselves to the bottom curve,” Governor Murphy said, referring to the slide below. Because of these steps, the projected best-case scenario shows peak on or about April 19.



The Office of the Governor is seeking assistance from the private sector to secure the following medications:

<p><b>Neuromuscular Blockers</b> cisatracurium (nimbex) 200mg/ 20mL vecuronium 20mg vial equivalents</p>	<p><b>Analgesia for mechanical ventilation</b> fentanyl 1000mcg vials and equivalent hydromorphone 50mg drips</p>
<p><b>Sedatives for use in mechanical ventilation</b> Propofol 10mg/ml 100ml midazolam (Versed) 5mg/mL 10mL</p>	<p><b>Vasopressors</b> Norepinephrine 4mg/mL vials or equivalent</p>

If your company manufactures any of these medications above, or has a source, please let us know, so we can help connect your company with the administration.

While the state continues to reach out to their supply chain to secure PPE, they welcome all [donations](#) from the private sector. The state's greatest need is ventilators. **If any corporations with access to private or cargo planes would be willing to help the state pick up PPE and other supplies they have identified, please let us know so we can relay your offer to assist to the Office of the Governor.**

### **NJDEP**

Today CCNJ learned that NJDEP released their [Site Remediation Rule Proposal](#). This is a major change in state policy and CCNJ is shocked that the NJDEP would even consider doing this during this pandemic. CCNJ is reaching out to the administration and formally requesting that this rule proposal be stayed and not reactivated until this emergency is lifted, and the regulated parties can adequately respond.

### **NEW JERSE LEGISLATURE**

**Senate President Sweeney announced today that the NJ Senate will hold a Voting Session remotely on Monday, April 13 at 10AM.** The Legislative Session is needed to deal with COVID-19 related bills, including extending the state's Fiscal Year to September 30, 2020.

### **US OSHA**

OSHA updated its [Enforcement Guidance for Use of Respiratory Protection Equipment Certified under Standards of Other Countries or Jurisdictions During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) Pandemic](#). This [memorandum provides](#) interim guidance to Compliance Safety and Health Officers (CSHOs) for enforcing the Respiratory Protection standard, 29 CFR § 1910.134, and certain other health standards, with regard to supply shortages of disposable N95 filtering facepiece respirators (FFRs). Specifically, it outlines enforcement discretion to permit the use of FFRs and air-purifying elastomeric respirators that are either:

### **"STAY AT HOME" EXECUTIVE ORDER 107 STILL IN PLACE**

As mentioned at the start, the "Stay at Home" [Executive Order No. 107](#) remains in full effect. "Manufacturing, industrial, logistics, ports, heavy construction, shipping, food production, food delivery, and other commercial operations may continue to operate...."

Governor continues to remind the private sector that even though the E.O. deems manufacturing and other businesses essential, social distancing and CDC guidelines must be followed at those locations.

**As a reminder, [Executive Order No. 108](#) invalidates any county or municipal restriction that in any way will or might conflict with any of the provisions of [Executive Order No. 107](#). Earlier today we received notification that Perth Amboy was imposing a "Total Shutdown Order." Realizing that this order was in clear violation of E.O. 108, CCNJ acted quickly to inform all necessary agencies to get the issue resolved. The Perth Amboy order has since been rescinded. If you come across with other orders you feel may violate E.O. 107/108, please reach out to CCNJ or you can report via [the state's COVID-19 site](#).**

Employees reporting to work are permitted to travel to and from their place of business. **Businesses are encouraged to give each employee a letter indicating that the employee works**

in an industry permitted to continue operations. Essential employees should have the company letter, and company ID accessible while driving to and from work, so they can present it with their license if necessary. We suggest the [DHS Guidance to help with the letter.](#)

### **PRIVATE SECTOR ESSENTIAL EMPLOYEE REGISTRATION PROJECT**

OEM has established a temporary process to help get critical infrastructure sites approved faster and provide essential employees with a temporary essential employee verification document that will expire in August 2020.

Any CCNJ member company that is deemed [critical infrastructure](#) by the Manufacturing and Chemical Sector section in the CISA document, and is not in the system, but would like to be considered for the temporary program, please email Elvin Montero with your contact information.

Below you will find new information highlighted in blue added since the last update. As well, take some time and explore the many links and information provided below and in previous updates. The state's main COVID-19 information portal is located at , <https://covid19.nj.gov/>.

[To access previous updates click here.](#)

### **Have general questions about COVID-19?**

**The NJ Poison Control Center and 211 have partnered with the State to provide information to the public on COVID-19:**

**Call: [2-1-1](#)**

**Call (24/7): [1-800-962-1253](#)**

**Text: NJCOVID to 898-211**

**Visit <https://covid19.nj.gov/> or [nj.gov/health](https://nj.gov/health) for additional information**

**In support of ongoing COVID-19 efforts, the State Emergency Operations Center has made available an ESF 7 Remote Access Line for private sector inquiries. ESF 7 Remote Access Line: 609-963-6817. For response and resource related requests, OHSP encourages you to work with your local first responder agencies, or your County Office of Emergency Management. [Click here to access the NJOEM County Coordinators directory](#) to find contact information for the local county OEM where your facility is located.**

**[COVID-19 Information for New Jersey Business](#)**



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## COVID-19/Novel Coronavirus Information for New Jersey Businesses



Search above for information on COVID-19 and its impact on businesses. Submit a question via the chat function below, and we'll get back to you ASAP.



36 articles in this collection  
Written by Business.NJ.gov Team

### Most Recent Guidance Available

How do Executive Orders No. 107 and 108 on closures and social distancing affect my business?



Written by Business.NJ.gov Team  
Updated yesterday

I'm not sure if my business needs to close or not due to the State's COVID-19 directives--what additional information or guidance is there?



Written by Business.NJ.gov Team  
Updated yesterday

If I have a business that urgently needs workers, or if I'm a worker looking for a job, where can I go?



Written by Business.NJ.gov Team  
Updated in the last hour

## New Jersey COVID-19 Dashboard

### COVID-19 Cases by County

Data is provisional and subject to revision.

3,521 Positive Pending Further Information

14 Deaths Pending Further Information

**Bergen County:**  
6,862 Positive Test Results  
200 Deaths

**Essex County:**  
4,493 Positive Test Results  
186 Deaths

**Hudson County:**  
4,395 Positive Test Results  
92 Deaths

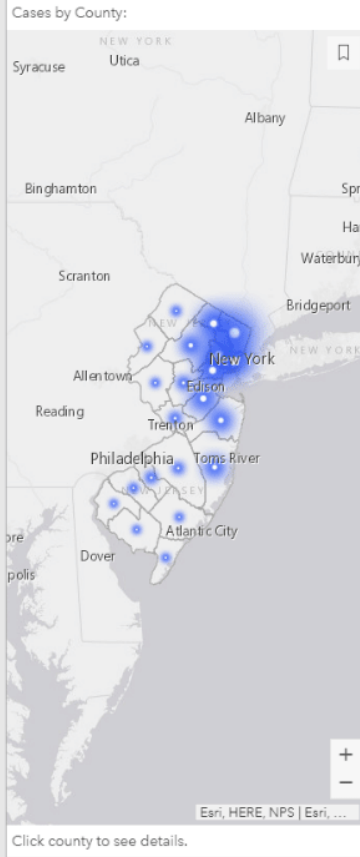
**Passaic County:**  
3,756 Positive Test Results  
53 Deaths

**Union County:**  
3,685 Positive Test Results  
78 Deaths

**Middlesex County:**  
3,263 Positive Test Results  
87 Deaths

**Monmouth County:**  
2,545 Positive Test Results  
62 Deaths

**Ocean County:**

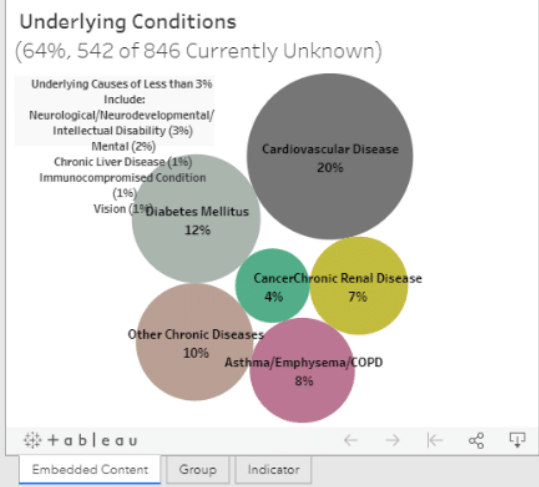


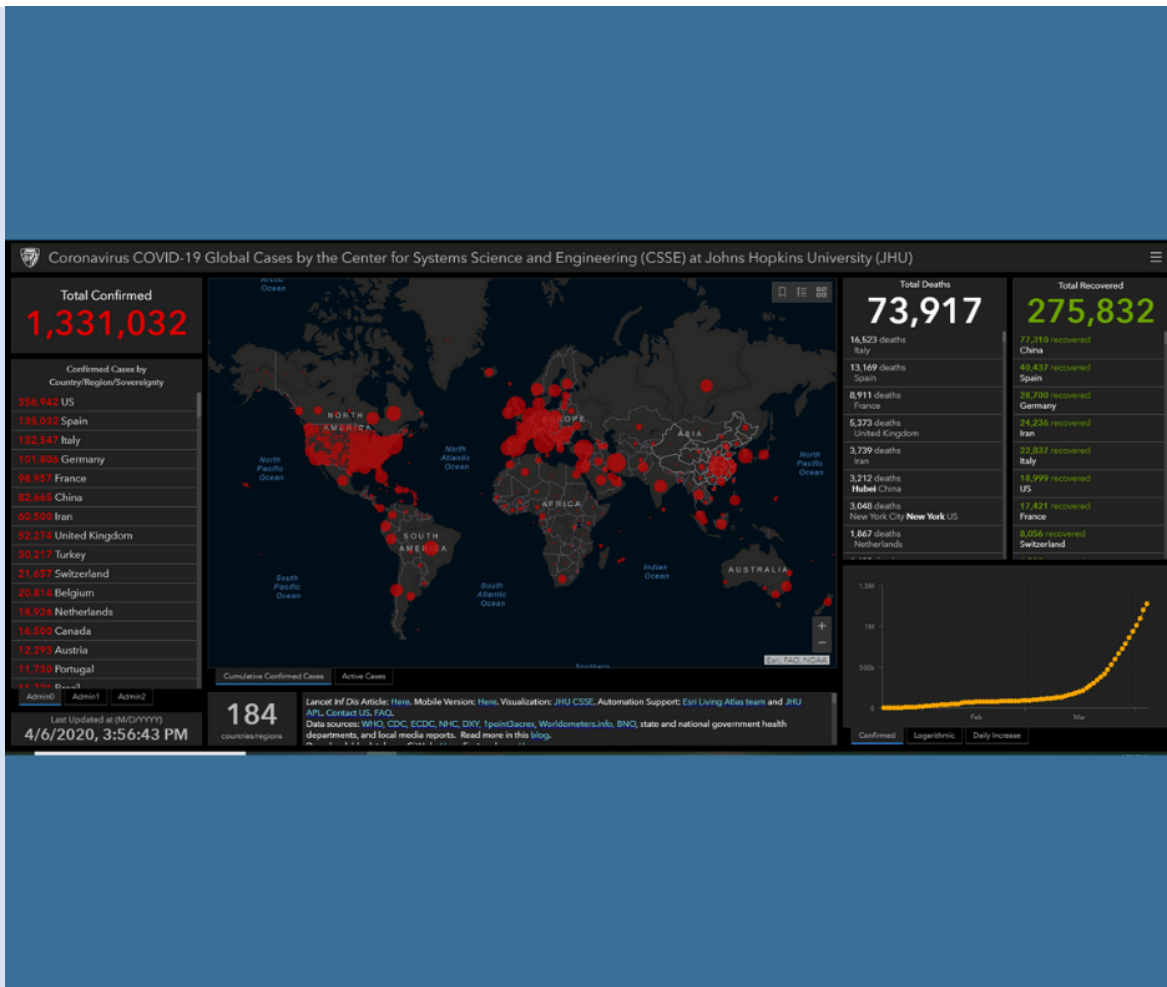
Positive  
**41,090**

**47,942**  
Negative

Deaths  
**1,003**

This figure includes data reported to the state by the state lab plus seven private laboratory entities.





## New Jersey Governor Updates

### [AG Grewal and Colonel Callahan Issue Daily Update on Charges Filed Against Violators of Governor Murphy's COVID-19 Executive Orders](#)

“Staying home and maintaining social distance isn’t just the best advice to stay healthy, it’s the law. Make no mistake, we will do everything in our power to keep our residents and officers safe, and that means we won’t hesitate to file charges against violators.” - Attorney General Grewal

<https://nj.gov/governor/news/news/562020/approved/20200406a.shtml>

### [AG Grewal and Colonel Callahan Issue Update on Charges Filed Against Violators of Governor Murphy's COVID-19 Executive Orders](#)

Attorney General Gurbir S. Grewal and Colonel Patrick J. Callahan, Superintendent of the New Jersey State Police, announced the following recent enforcement actions against violators of Governor Murphy’s Emergency Orders related to COVID-19.

<https://nj.gov/governor/news/news/562020/approved/20200404c.shtml>

## CDC (COVID-19) Situation Summary Updated Regularly

### [Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) Situation Summary](#)

CDC is responding to an outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel (new) coronavirus that was first detected in China and which has now been detected in more than 100 locations

internationally, including in the United States. The virus has been named “SARS-CoV-2” and the disease it causes has been named “coronavirus disease 2019” (abbreviated “COVID-19”).

[Click here for CDC Situation Summary](#)

[Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers](#)

Plan, Prepare and Respond to Coronavirus Disease 2019

[Click here for CDC Business Guidance](#)

[White House: 15 Days To Slow The Spread](#)

The President’s Coronavirus Guidelines for America -- 15 Days to Slow the Spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19)

[Click here for White House Document](#)

[Get Your Mass Gatherings or Large Community Events Ready Interim Guidance for Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)

CDC, in accordance with its guidance for [large events and mass gatherings](#), recommends that for the next 8 weeks, organizers (whether groups or individuals) cancel or postpone in-person events that consist of 50 people or more throughout the United States.

[Click here for CDC Guidance](#)

## **HIPPA Privacy, Labor Laws & CDC Reporting Form**

[Families First Coronavirus Response Act: Employer Paid Leave Requirements](#)

The Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA or Act) requires certain employers to provide their employees with paid sick leave or expanded family and medical leave for specified reasons related to COVID-19.<sup>[1]</sup> The Department of Labor’s (Department) Wage and Hour Division (WHD) administers and enforces the new law’s paid leave requirements. These provisions will apply from the effective date through December 31, 2020.

[Click here for more information](#)

## **COVID-19 SCENARIOS & BENEFITS AVAILABLE**

NJ Labor & Workforce Development

This UPDATED chart is an easy guide for several COVID-19 scenarios and what benefits are available for each, such as earned sick leave, unemployment insurance, temporary disability/family leave insurance, and workers’ compensation.

[Click here for document](#)

[NJDOL Benefits and the Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): What You Should Know](#)

New Jersey has among the most comprehensive [Earned Sick Leave](#), [Temporary Disability](#) and [Family Leave Insurance](#) laws in the country, which cover all employees – full-time, part-time, temporary and seasonal.

[Click here for NJ Labor COVID-19 Site](#)

[Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services BULLETIN: HIPAA Privacy and Novel Coronavirus](#)

In light of the Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) outbreak, the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is providing this bulletin to ensure that HIPAA covered entities and their business associates are aware of the ways that patient information may be shared under the HIPAA Privacy Rule in an outbreak of infectious disease

or other emergency situation, and to serve as a reminder that the protections of the Privacy Rule are not set aside during an emergency.

[Click here for February 2020 Bulletin](#)

[Human Infection with 2019 Novel Coronavirus Person Under Investigation \(PUI\) and Case Report Form](#)

CDC Personal Under Investigation Form

[Click here for Reporting Form](#)

## **Government Resources**

- [Enforcement Guidance for Use of Respiratory Protection Equipment Certified under Standards of Other Countries or Jurisdictions During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) Pandemic](#)

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<https://www.osha.gov/memos/2020-04-03/enforcement-guidance-use-respiratory-protection-equipment-certified-under>

- [EPA Announces Enforcement Discretion Policy for COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is mindful of the health and safety of the public, as well as our staff, and those of Federal Agencies, State and Local Governments, Tribes, Regulated Entities, Contractors, and Non-governmental Organizations during the COVID-19 pandemic. The agency is taking these important considerations into account as we all continue our work to protect human health and the environment. Accordingly, EPA is announcing a temporary policy regarding EPA enforcement of environmental legal obligations during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Click here for more information](#)

- [NJEDA Announces New Initiatives to Support Businesses Impacted by COVID-19](#)

The New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA) Board today approved a suite of new programs designed to support businesses and workers facing economic hardship due to the outbreak of the novel coronavirus COVID-19.

[Click here for more information](#)

- [DEP issues guidance for Public Water Systems and Wastewater Monitoring, Licensed Operator and Certified Laboratory issues due to the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

This advisory affects public drinking water systems and Category A (individual permits for domestic discharge) and ASC (general permit authorizations for school discharge) NJPDES surface water discharge permitted facilities that are required to perform routine monitoring pursuant to the state and federal regulations and their NJPDES permits where applicable.

[Click here for guidance](#)

- [IDENTIFYING CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE DURING COVID-19](#)

Functioning critical infrastructure is imperative during the response to the [COVID-19](#) emergency for both public health and safety as well as community well-being. Certain



critical infrastructure industries have a special responsibility in these times to continue operations.

[Click here for CISA Guidance](#)

- [OSHA RULE RELAXATION FOR EXPIRED RESPIRATORS](#)

OSHA has released an FAQ document about OSHA's Rule Relaxation For Fit Testing and Use of Expired Respirators.

[Click here to access the document.](#)

- [Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration](#)

FAQ: Expanded Emergency Declaration Under 49 CFR § 390.23 No. 2020-002 (Relating to COVID-19)

[Click here to access FMCSA](#)

- [NOTICE OF ENFORCEMENT POLICY REGARDING TRAINING REQUIREMENTS](#)

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) understands that many hazardous materials (hazmat) employers may be experiencing difficulty in either obtaining or providing recurrent training as required by the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR, 49 CFR Parts 171-180) due to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak.

[Click here to access PHMSA document](#)

- [New Jersey COVID-19 Information Hub](#)

State Official Site for COVID-19 Related Information

[Click here to access HUB](#)

- [Coronavirus Rumor Control](#)

The purpose of this FEMA page is to help the public distinguish between rumors and facts regarding the response to coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Rumors can easily circulate within communities during a crisis, stay informed with our updated myth vs. facts related to the federal (COVID-19) response.

[Click here for FEMA Rumor Control Site](#)

- [OSHA Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19](#)

To reduce the impact of COVID-19 outbreak conditions on businesses, workers, customers, and the public, it is important for all employers to plan now for COVID-19.

[Click here for OSHA Guidance](#)

- [COVID-19: Information for Schools and Businesses](#)

To prepare for possible community transmission of COVID-19, the most important thing for schools to do now is plan and prepare. As the global outbreak evolves, schools should prepare for the possibility of community-level outbreaks. Schools want to be ready if COVID-19 does appear in their communities.

[https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/covid2019\\_schoolbusiness.shtml](https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/covid2019_schoolbusiness.shtml)

- [New Jersey Department of Health COVID-19: A Guide for Businesses March 2, 2020](#)

Many employers and businesses in New Jersey are concerned about the current outbreak of the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) and potential impacts to their business communities and wish to take appropriate steps to mitigate any risks. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is working hard to learn as much as possible about

this COVID-19 so that we can better understand how it spreads and characterize its associated illness. The New Jersey Department of Health is also working hard to develop guidance and education materials, in the face of evolving information.

[https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/Guide%20for%20businesses\\_3-4-2020.pdf](https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/Guide%20for%20businesses_3-4-2020.pdf)

- [Directory of Local Health Departments](#)  
Suspected cases should be reported IMMEDIATELY to the local health department (LHD) where the patient resides. If the patient's residence is unknown, report to your own local health department. Local health departments are available 24/7/365.  
<https://www.nj.gov/health/lh/documents/LocalHealthDirectory.pdf>
- [Interim Exposure Categories for Asymptomatic Individuals with Possible Exposure to COVID-2019](#)  
This interim guidance is effective as of February 3, 2020 and does not apply retrospectively to people who have been in China during the previous 14 days and are already in the United States, or those being managed as part of a contact investigation.  
[Click here for guidance document](#)
- [Keeping the workplace safe Encourage your employees to](#)  
What every American and community can do now to decrease the spread of the coronavirus  
[Click here for infographics](#)
- [Implementation of Mitigation Strategies for Communities with Local COVID-19 Transmission](#)  
When a novel virus with pandemic potential emerges, nonpharmaceutical interventions, which will be called community mitigation strategies in this document, often are the most readily available interventions to help slow transmission of the virus in communities.  
[Click here for CDC Mitigation Strategies](#)

## Industry & Related Resources

- [A NEW COLLABORATION TO FIGHT COVID-19](#)  
For ExxonMobil – one of the world's largest producers of isopropyl alcohol (IPA), a key ingredient in medical hand sanitizer – it means getting the product to where it's needed most.  
<https://energyfactor.exxonmobil.com/news/et-browne-covid-19-collaboration/>
- [Inside a major coronavirus vaccine effort that hopes to start early production to meet demand](#)  
A \$1 billion joint project by the federal government and Johnson & Johnson is one of the more promising efforts to create a coronavirus vaccine. To meet anticipated demand, Johnson & Johnson says it will start to produce the potential vaccine even before approval.  
<https://www.nbcnews.com/nightly-news/video/inside-a-major-coronavirus-vaccine-effort-that-hopes-to-start-early-production-to-meet-demand-81651781518>
- [UPS Mobilizes Against Coronavirus In Collaboration With Global Customers And U.S. Agencies](#)  
UPS  
Working with global companies to transport testing kits, personal protection equipment (PPE) and medical devices needed in support of public safety and to speed diagnosis and therapy for COVID-19

[https://pressroom.ups.com/pressroom/ContentDetailsViewer.page?ConceptType=PressReleases&id=1585536572387-140&WT.mc\\_id=TW\\_ORG\\_COVIDCRISISCOMMS\\_TESTKITPRESS3\\_040320](https://pressroom.ups.com/pressroom/ContentDetailsViewer.page?ConceptType=PressReleases&id=1585536572387-140&WT.mc_id=TW_ORG_COVIDCRISISCOMMS_TESTKITPRESS3_040320)

- [ADVANCING THE ESSENTIAL](#)  
LANGAN PLAYS ROLE IN MOVING PROJECTS THAT PROTECT THE PUBLIC  
<https://www.langan.com/newsroom/the-langan-leader-advancing-the-essential>