



2019 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) OUTBREAK

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CURRENT STATISTICS:

- Confirmed cases in China: 80,984
 - Confirmed deaths in China: 3,203
 - Confirmed discharges in China: 66,984
- Confirmed cases in the United States: 2,858
 - 70 of these cases are in people repatriated to the United States, including 21 people on the Grand Princess cruise ship, 46 people on the Diamond Princess cruise ship, and 3 people from Wuhan, China.
 - Confirmed deaths in the United States: 58 (California (5), Colorado (1), Florida (3), Georgia (1), Kansas (1), Louisiana (1), New Jersey (2), New York (2), South Dakota (1), Virginia (1), Washington state (40))
- Confirmed cases outside China: More than 75,100 cases in more than 140 countries and territories
 - Highest outbreaks outside of China:
 - Italy: 21,157
 - Iran: 12,729
 - South Korea: 8,086
 - Spain: 6,391
 - Germany: 4,585
 - France: 4,480
 - United States: 2,858
 - Switzerland: 1,359
 - United Kingdom: 1,143
 - Norway: 1,090
 - Confirmed deaths outside China: 2,630 (Albania (1), Algeria (3), Argentina (2), Australia (3), Austria (1), Azerbaijan (1), Belgium (4), Bulgaria (2), Canada (1), Denmark (1), Diamond Princess cruise ship (7), Egypt (2), Ecuador (2), France (91), Germany (9), Greece (3), Guyana (1), Hong Kong (3), India (2), Indonesia (5), Italy (1,441), Iran (611), Iraq (10), Ireland (2), Japan (22), Lebanon (3), Luxembourg (1), Morocco (1), Netherlands (12), Norway (3), Panama (1), Poland (3), Philippines (8), San Marino (5), Slovenia (1), South Korea (72), Spain (195), Sudan (1), Sweden (2), Switzerland (13), Taiwan (1), Thailand (1), Ukraine (1), United Kingdom (21), United States (55))

CONGRESSIONAL ACTION:

- The emergency supplemental provides \$7.8 billion for the U.S. response to coronavirus, including:
 - More than \$4 billion to make diagnostic tests more broadly available; to support treatments; to invest in vaccine development; and to protect the integrity of medical products manufactured overseas and identify and prevent potential shortages;
 - \$2.2 billion for the CDC, including nearly \$1 billion for state and local response efforts;
 - \$20 million for disaster assistance loans for small businesses; and
 - \$1.25 billion for the State Department and the U.S. Agency for International Development
 - The package also includes a bipartisan provision that would allow the home to be an originating site for purposes of telehealth during this public health emergency, allowing more patients to get the care they need at home to avoid potentially overcrowded health care facilities, especially in rural areas.

- H.R. 6201, the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, includes funding and legislative authorities for coronavirus testing, emergency nutritional assistance, and provides financial assistance for working Americans who are ill, quarantined, or caring for others due to the coronavirus, among other provisions.

U.S. GOVERNMENT ACTIONS:

- President Trump has declared a federal emergency due to the coronavirus outbreak in the United States.
- The U.S. Department of State advises U.S. citizens to reconsider travel abroad at this time due to the global impact of COVID-19.
 - A travel ban is currently in effect for foreign nationals who have been in China or Iran in the previous 14 days.
 - Effective Friday, March 13, travel for foreign nationals from much of Europe to the United States will be suspended for 30 days. This restriction will be extended to the Ireland and the United Kingdom on Monday, March 16.
- CDC has expanded coronavirus testing to all U.S. patients with an order from a doctor for testing. Clinicians should “use their judgment to determine if a patient has signs and symptoms compatible with COVID-19 and whether the patient should be tested.”
 - Public health laboratories in all 50 states and the District of Columbia are using the CDC diagnostic test. Other qualified laboratories, including hospital and other private laboratories, as well as commercial laboratories, are also performing diagnostic tests.
- While there are currently no proven therapeutics, some drugs are being used on a compassionate use basis and being tested in clinical trials in the U.S. and China. In addition, NIH and pharmaceutical companies are working on targeted development of new therapeutics specifically for COVID-19.
- NIH and pharmaceutical companies are working on a vaccine. Dr. Fauci anticipates that at least one vaccine candidate will be ready for human testing in roughly four weeks.
- FDA is monitoring potential drug and medical device shortages. FDA has identified 20 drugs which solely source their active pharmaceutical ingredients or finished drug products from china. One human drug is currently in a shortage related to a site affected by coronavirus.

PANDEMIC AND ALL-HAZARDS PREPAREDNESS AND ADVANCING INNOVATION ACT:

- On June 24, 2019, President Trump signed the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness and Advancing Innovation Act (PAHPAIA), which reauthorized our nation’s public health preparedness and response programs to give our federal, state, and local officials the tools they need to quickly and effectively respond to ongoing threats.

2019-2020 SEASONAL INFLUENZA ESTIMATES:

- As COVID-19 is a novel coronavirus, it cannot be directly compared to seasonal influenza. CDC estimates that from October 1, 2019, through February 29, 2020, there have been between 34 and 49 million seasonal influenza illnesses, with between 16 and 23 million medical visits, 350,000 and 620,000 hospitalizations and 20,000 and 52,000 deaths.