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## Agenda

- Overview of COVID-19 statistics
- Arizona progress with COVID-19
- Updates from CMS, and Community
- Updates from HonorHealth
- Guest speaker



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### **Johns Hopkins Tracker**





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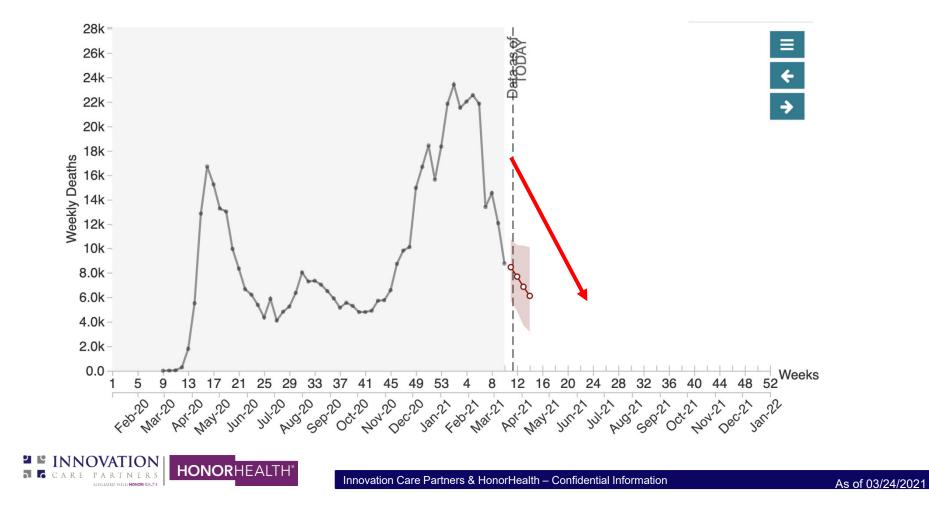
## **CORONAVIRUS STATUS 3/22/2021**

• World 123 million cases, 2.71 million deaths
• US 29.8 million cases, 542k deaths
• Arizona 836k cases, 16,742 deaths
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7 Day Average for Maricopa County
1. Cases # -84.63% (17.4 per 100k)
2. Deaths # -13.56% (2.27 per 100k)
3. % Positivity # -0.35% (4.03)
4. Testing Vol # -11.66% (1627.52 per 100k)
5. New COVID admits # -17.00% (293)

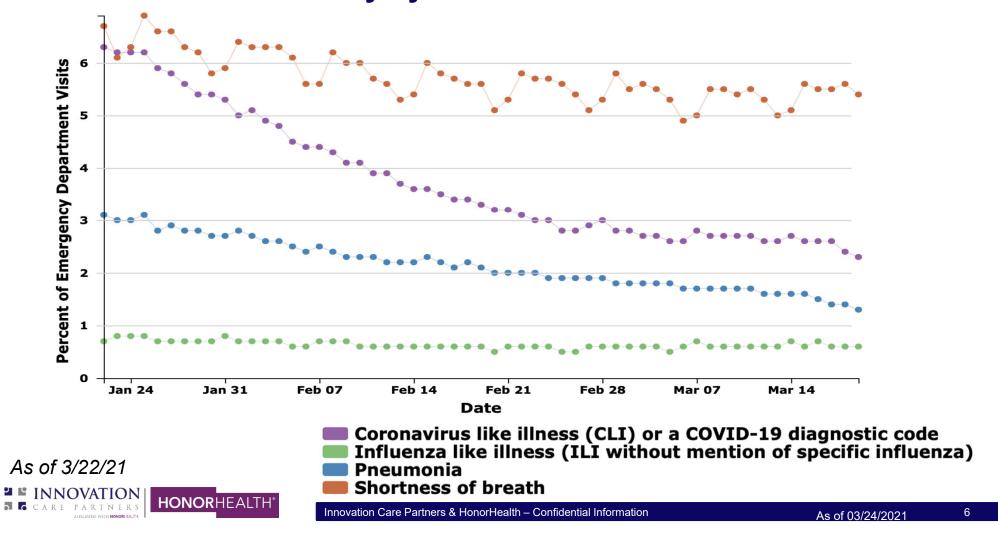
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### **United States Forecasting**

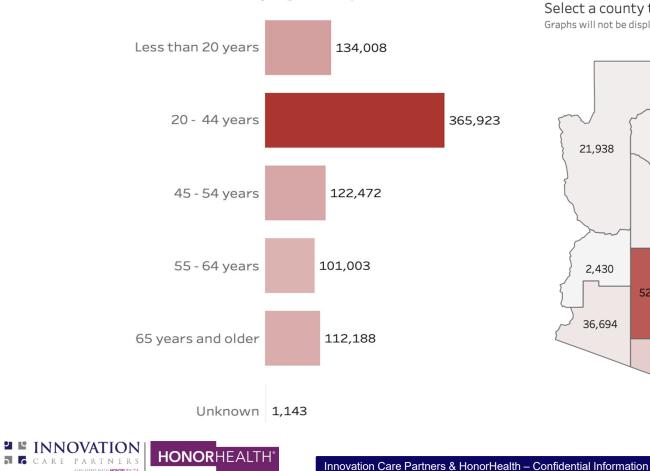


**ED Visits by Syndrome in United States** 



### **Arizona Daily Case Counts**

#### COVID-19 Cases by Age Group

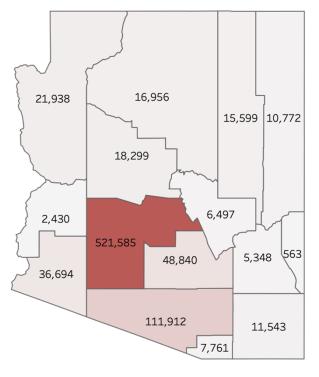


Number of Cases

836,737

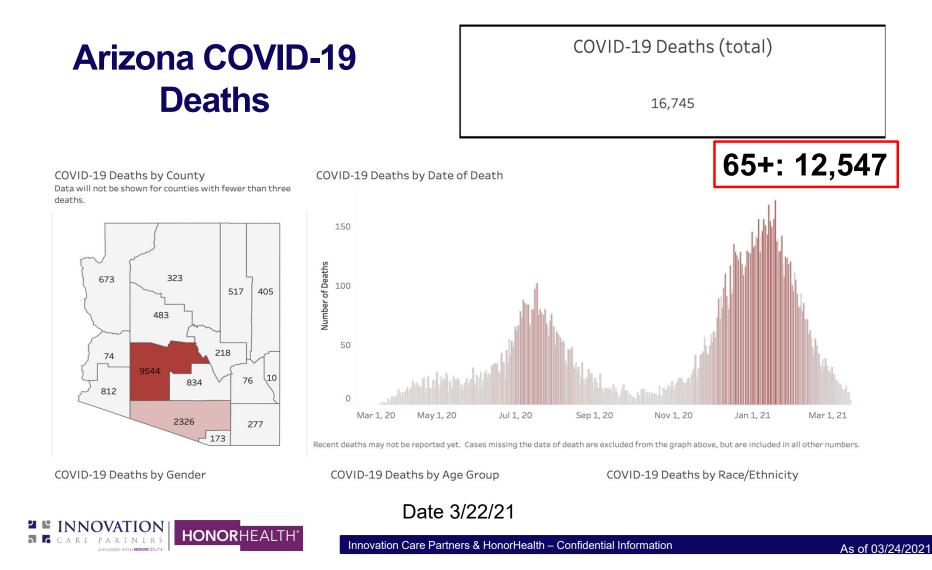
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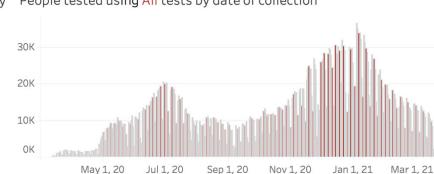


## % Positive Diagnostic Tests Increasing

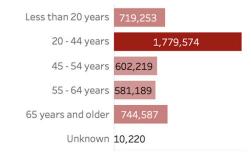
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People tested using All tests by People tested using All tests by date of collection county Select a county to filter the data.



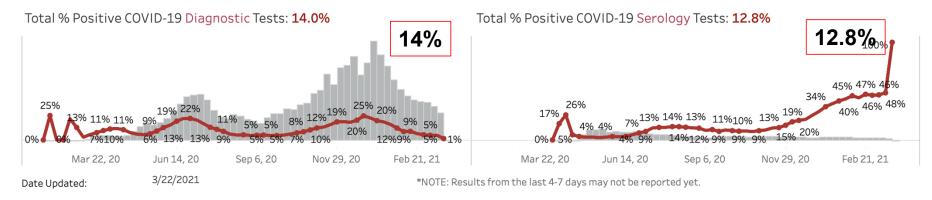


People tested using All Testing by Age Group



People tested for COVID-19 and percent positive by week

Percent positive is the number of people with a positive result in Electronic Laboratory Reporting (ELR), out of all people with COVID-19 testing reported via ELR in AZ. Diagnostic tests include PCR



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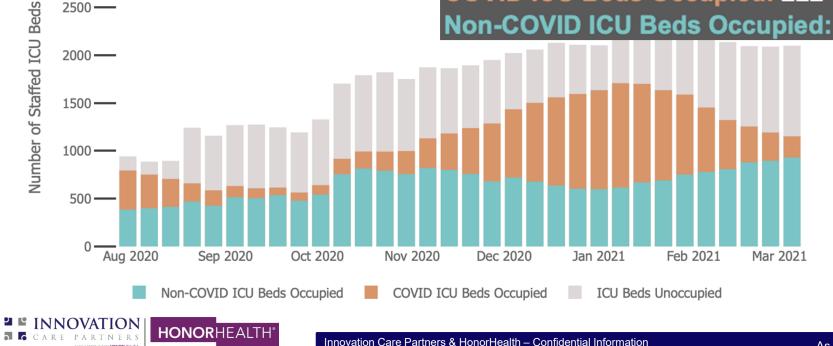
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### **ICU Beds in Use in** Arizona

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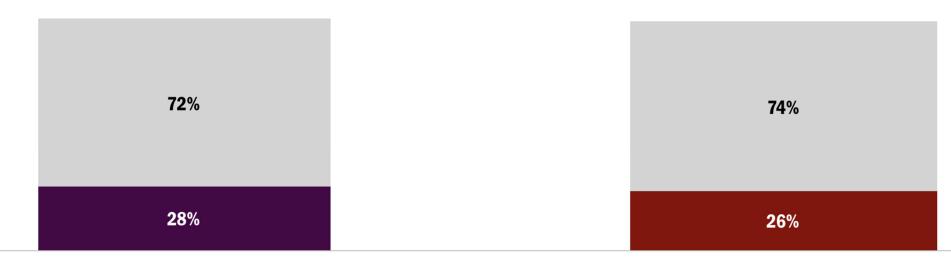
Week of Mar 5, 2021 ICU Beds Occupied: 55% Total ICU Beds: 2,099 **ICU Beds Unoccupied: 947** COVID ICU Beds Occupied: 222 Non-COVID ICU Beds Occupied: 930



### **COVID-19 in the 771 Long-Term Care Facilities**

\*Long-term care facilities include nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and hospices. As of 7/17/20 this no longer includes other congregate settings.

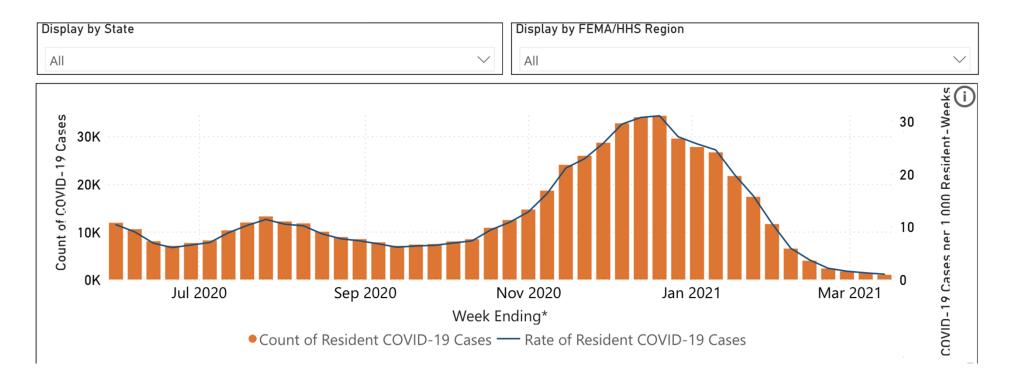
Of 8,146 COVID-19 cases among residents, 2,270 (28%) have been hospitalized and 2,124 (26%) have died.



Of 5,790 COVID-19 cases among staff, 239 (4%) have been hospitalized and 16 (0%) have died.



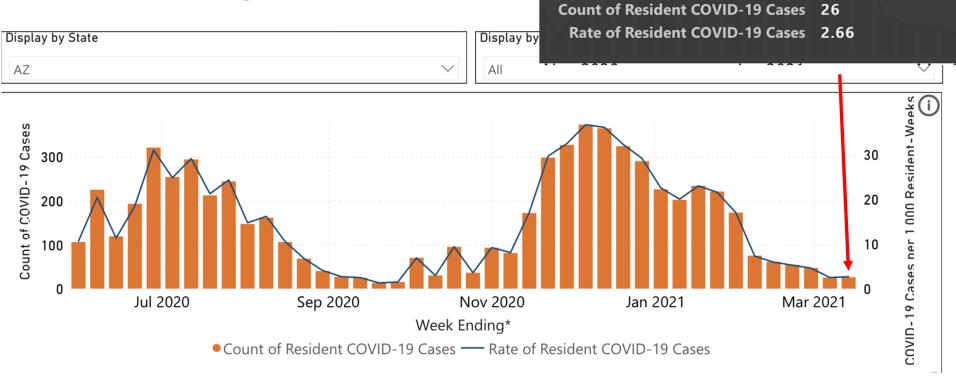
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## Confirmed COVD-19 Rate per 1,000 in Nursing Homes – AZ



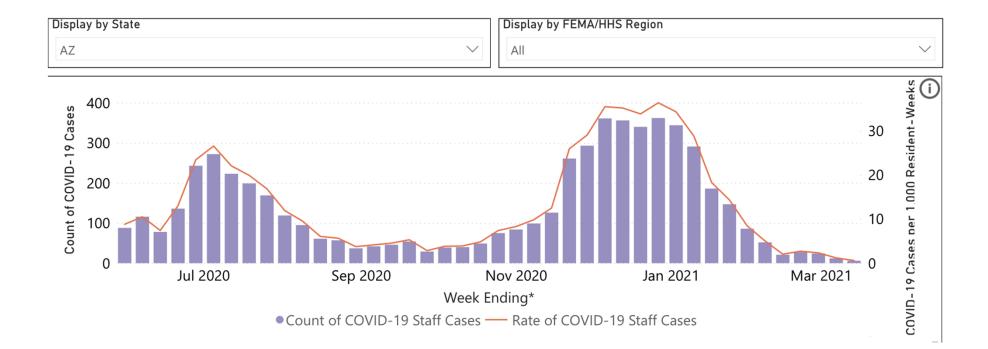


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Week Ending\* March 14, 2021

### Confirmed COVD-19 Rate per 1,000 in Nursing Homes STAFF – AZ





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# **NEWS UPDATES**



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### Major European Nations Suspend Use of AstraZeneca Vaccine

- Germany, France, Italy, Spain, and others suspended use over reports of blood clots out of an abundance of caution
- EU's drug regulatory agency called for meeting to review findings
- 37 reports of blood clots out of more than 17 million people vaccinated in the 27-country EU and Britain, lower rate than expected in general population
- 7 cases of cerebral vein thrombosis in 1.6m vaccinations in Germany
- AstraZeneca, WHO, and EU's European Medicines Agency reports no evidence of increased risk



## **Italy Prepares For Another Lockdown**

- 3rd lockdown since the start of the pandemic, affects <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of the population
- Triggered by a spike in cases, likely due to UK variant
- In effect through April 6th
  - All schools, restaurants, shops and museums are closed
  - Stay at home order except for work, health or essential reasons
- ICU bed capacity in Paris is maxed, patients being transferred out of the city for care. No current lockdown for France.



## **COVID Antibodies Detected in Blood Donations**

- American Red Cross reports that 1 in 5 blood donations from unvaccinated patients tested positive for COVID-19 antibodies
- Antibodies don't necessarily correlate with immunity
- % of asymptomatic donor positivity increased temporally with spike in cases
- 9% of population has tested positive for COVID infection (JHU Tracker), but CDC estimates actual cases are closer to 20-25%, which aligns with Red Cross findings

## **Vaccination-Induced Antibodies During Pregnancy**

- 1st case of COVID-19 antibodies passed to child through birth was reported.
- Antibodies detected in an infant (cord blood) born to a mother who received her first dose of the Moderna vaccine three weeks before giving birth.
- Further studies have to determine how long this protection will last, and what level of protection it confers.



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## **T-Cell Testing for Past Infection**

- FDA issued EUA for the T-Detect COVID Test (Adaptive Biotechnologies)
- Analyzes DNA sequences from T cells (WBC's) to identify Pt's with an adaptive T cell immune response to SARS-CoV-2, indicating recent or previous infection.
- Negative results do not preclude acute/current infection and should not be used to diagnose current infection.
- Unknown how long the T cell immune response remains following infection, or what level of protection it provides.
- It is thought to detect past infection over greater periods of time than current antibody tests.

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https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/coronavirus-covid-19-update-fda-authorizes-adaptive-biotechnologies-t-detect-covid-test Innovation Care Partners & HonorHealth – Confidential Information As of 03/24/2021 20

## **Modified Moderna Vaccines/Regimens**

New Phase 1 Studies have started:

- Ancestral (Original)= mRNA-1273
  - Studying 3rd dose of same vaccine as a booster

### Modified= mRNA-1273.351

- Single dose as booster vs.
- Combination of Ancestral+Modified as multivalent option (mRNA-1273.211)

### Next-Generation= mRNA-1283

- Potential to be shipped and stored in refrigerator instead of freezer
- Single dose vs. double dose initially, will look at booster effectiveness later

### Seronegative Option

- 1st shot: Modified 1273.351
- 2nd shot: Multivalent 1273.211

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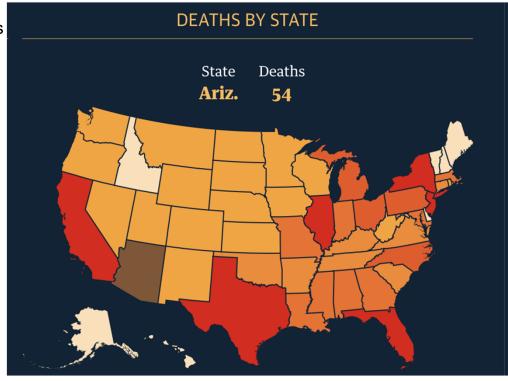
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### **Nurses Account for Most COVID-19 Deaths in Healthcare Workers**

#### • 3,561 known U.S. healthcare worker COVID-19 deaths as of March 17

#### Deaths by occupation:

- Nurse: 32 percent of all known HC staff COVID-19 deaths
- Healthcare support: 20 percent
- Physician: 17 percent
- Medical first responder: 7 percent
- Admin/admin support: 6 percent
- Diagnosing clinician: 4 percent
- Healthcare technologist: 4 percent
- Community or social worker: 3 percent
- Cleaner: 2 percent
- Other: 2 percent
- Security personnel: 1 percent
- Culinary/food services: 1 percent
- Coroner: 0 percent





https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/ng-interactive/2020/aug/11/lost-on-the-frontline-covid-19-coronavirus-us-healthcare-workers-deaths-databa

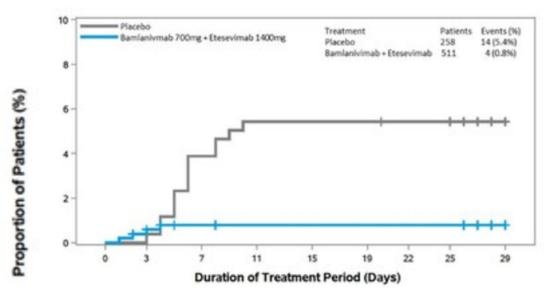
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### Eli Lilly monoclonal Ab Cuts Events by 87%

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- Bamlanivimab and etesevimab
- BLAZE-1 phase 3 cohort of 769 mild-to-mod patients age 12+ at high risk for progressing to severe disease
- 15 events (hospitalizations or deaths) in placebo
- 4 events in treatment group

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https://investor.lilly.com/news-releases/news-release-details/lillys-bamlanivimab-and-etesevimab-together-reduced

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### How Do We Think Vaccines Will Change Things?

#### Fig. 1: Perspectives on How Vaccinations Will Change Things

Share of adults who said getting a COVID-19 vaccine would make them feel more comfortable or have no impact on their comfort level with the following activities: Seeing other vaccinated people, but still taking 50% precautions like masks and social distancing 19% 40% Returning to your normal routine 24% 40% Traveling within the U.S. 23% Seeing people who have not been 39% vaccinated, but still taking precautions 23% 38% Dining indoors at a restaurant, cafe or bar 24% 29% Going to a religious gathering or meeting 25% 27% Attending a large sporting event or concert 27% Seeing other vaccinated people 26% without taking precautions 25% 25% Traveling internationally 27% Seeing people who have not been 19% vaccinated without taking precautions 25%

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## **4 Potential New COVID-19 Therapeutics**

- Accelerating COVID-19 Therapeutic Interventions and Vaccines (ACTIV) program
- ACTIV-2 randomized, placebo-controlled study of nonhospitalized adults with mild to moderate COVID-19 symptoms:
  - SNG001 inhalable beta interferon delivered by nebulizer (Synairgen)
  - AZD7442 long-acting monoclonal antibody combination both infusion and IM injection (AstraZeneca)
  - Cameostat mesylate oral protease inhibitor that may block SARS-CoV-2 from entering cells (Sagent pharmaceuticals)

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https://www.nih.gov/news-events/news-releases/four-potential-covid-19-therapeuticsenter-phase-2-3-testing-nih-activ-2trial?fbclid=IwAR1M xtBucPwgovkcgkwp3flBulw9d6ZHagpQ3gviBiP8LRHuejkXRHt9x0 25

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# LONG COVID SYNDROME

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### HonorHealth Library Long COVID page



Long COVID

#### Long COVID: Welcome!









Persistent symptoms (MMWR)



Information for Patients

### https://azhin.org/longcovid

#### Long COVID: What is it?

Management

The body of information about "Long COVID," (also called "post-COVID syndrome," or "Long-haul COVID") is growing rapidly, as the CDC has noted. We expect the information in this guide will change frequently.

- It is estimated that 10% to 15% of COVID-19 survivors experience persistent symptoms.
- Currently patient management is symptomatic, as we await evidence-based guidelines.
- · Patients, support groups, and researchers are gathering the stories of persons with the symptoms we associate with the long-term effects of SARS.
- In addition to this guide, HonorHealth librarians have created an extensive resource collection for COVID-19, including a special tab for long-covid articles.

Fatigue

#### Definitions / Overview 0 522 0

Long covid: diagnosis, management, prognosis (1:13:55)



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### PASC – Post-Acute Sequelae of SARS-CoV-2

- Long COVID = Long Haulers = PASC
- NIH launches new study hoping to answer:
  - Spectrum of recovery
  - Underlying biological cause of these prolonged symptoms
  - Vulnerabilities
  - Does SARS-CoV-2 infection trigger changes in the body that increase the risk of other conditions, such as chronic heart or brain disorders?



## Long Covid Syndrome Survey

- 3,700 studied in 56 countries
- Most couldn't work full time 6 months after Covid
- Most common symptoms

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- Fatigue 77%, post-exertional malaise 72%, and cognitive dysfunction 55%
- More severely ill patients had increased risk of pulmonary diffusion abnormality, fatigue or muscle weakness, anxiety or depression
- Recent media coverage has highlighted stories of long-haul COVID patients recovering post-vaccination. No data to support this but helps to drive hypotheses and research.

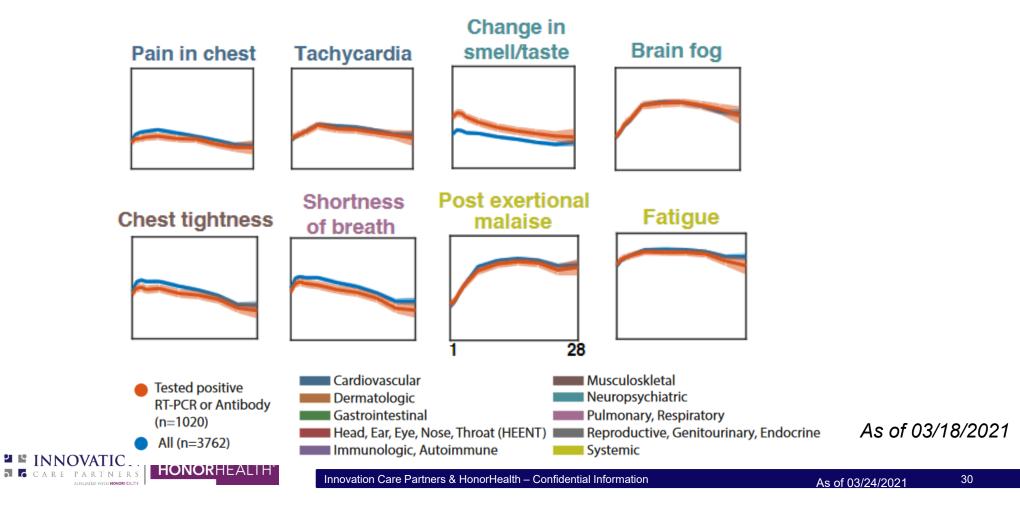
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https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2020.12.24.20248802v2.full.pdf

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### Symptom Time Courses PCR vs. Antibody Tests



# **VARIANTS UPDATES**

## **Covid-19 Variant Surveillance in Arizona**

- TGen North non-profit laboratory partner, one of the labs working on genetic surveillance of SARS-CoV-2
- Arizona SARS-CoV-2 Sequencing Dashboard for Tgen:
  - <u>https://pathogen.tgen.org/covidseq-tracker/</u>
- In Arizona:
  - 17% CAL.20C
  - 1.5% UK variant

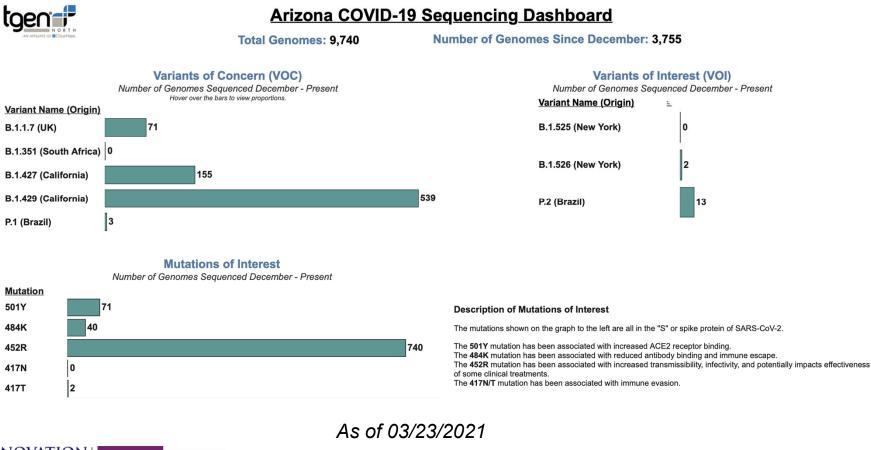
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- 0.1% Brazil variant
- 0% South Africa variants

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### **TGen Variant Dashboard - Arizona**

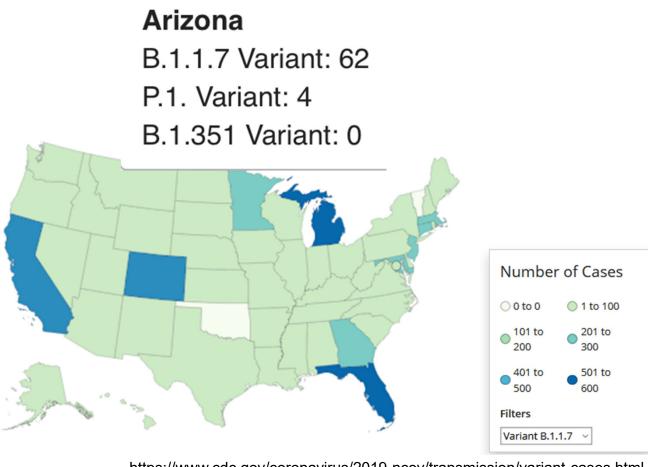


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## Variants in the US

Variant	Reported Cases in US	Number of Jurisdictior with ≥1 Case Reported
B.1.1.7	5,576	51
B.1.351	180	26
P.1	48	15



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https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/transmission/variant-cases.html Innovation Care Partners & HonorHealth – Confidential Information

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### **Emerging Variants in Arizona**

### First cases of Brazilian COVID-19 variant detected in Arizona

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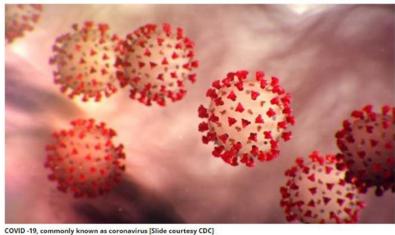
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#### First Cases Of Brazilian COVID-19 Variant **Detected In Arizona**

Ø March 13, 2021 ♣ ADI Staff Reporter





PHOENIX - On Friday, the Arizona Department of Health Services, the Yuma County Public Health Services District, and Translational Genomics Institute (TGen) reported that the P1 COVID-19 mutation, commonly referred to as the Brazilian variant, has been confirmed in three test samples from the state.



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# **PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES**

• Starting March 10, 2021, the following visitation guidance recommends:

#### Indoor Visitation

- Facilities should allow responsible indoor visitation at all times and for all residents, regardless of vaccination status of the resident, or visitor, unless certain scenarios arise that would limit visitation for:
  - Unvaccinated residents if; 1) the COVID-19 county positivity rate is greater than 10 percent; and 2) less than 70 percent of residents in the facility are fully vaccinated

#### Indoor Visitation

- Certain scenarios arise that would limit visitation for:
  - Residents with confirmed COVID-19 infection, whether vaccinated or unvaccinated, until they have met the criteria to discontinue transmission-based precautions; or
  - Residents in quarantine, whether vaccinated or unvaccinated, until they have met criteria for release from quarantine.



- Indoor Visitation During an Outbreak
- While outbreaks increase the risk of COVID-19 transmission, a facility should not restrict visitation for all residents as long as there is evidence that the transmission of COVID-19 is contained to a single area (e.g., unit) of the facility.
  - Facilities should continue to adhere to CMS regulations and guidance for *COVID-19 testing*, including routine staff testing, testing of individuals with symptoms, and outbreak testing



#### Indoor Visitation During an Outbreak

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- When a new case of COVID-19 among residents or staff is identified, a facility should immediately begin outbreak testing and suspend all visitation until at least one round of facility-wide testing is completed.
- Visitation can resume based on the following criteria: -
  - If the first round of outbreak testing reveals no additional COVID-19 cases in other areas (e.g., units) of the facility, then visitation can resume for residents in areas/units with no COVID-19 cases. However, the facility should suspend visitation on the affected unit until the facility meets the criteria to discontinue outbreak testing.
  - If the first round of outbreak testing reveals one or more additional COVID-19 cases in other areas/units of the facility (e.g., new cases in two or more units), then facilities should suspend visitation for all residents (vaccinated and unvaccinated), until the facility meets the criteria to discontinue outbreak testing.

#### Compassionate Care Visits

- Visits for compassionate care, such as an end-of-life situation or a residents in decline or distress should be allowed at all times for any resident (vaccinated or unvaccinated), regardless of the above scenarios. In addition, facilities and visitors should continue all infection prevention and control practices.
- Other CMS instructions
  - Visitors should not be required to be tested or vaccinated (or show proof of such) as a condition of visitation.
  - Federal and state surveyors are not required to be vaccinated and must be permitted entry into facilities unless signs or symptoms of COVID-19 are present.



#### **NEW CDC Guidance for Vaccinated People**

- A person is fully vaccinated if:
  - They completed a COVID-19 vaccine series at least 2 weeks ago
    - $_{\odot}$  For a 2-dose series (Pfizer, Moderna) this means 2 weeks after the 2^{nd} dose
    - $_{\odot}$  For a 1-dose series (Johnson & Johnson/Janssen), this means 2 weeks after the 1st/only dose
- Now people who are fully vaccinated:
  - Can visit with other fully vaccinated people indoors in nonhealthcare settings without wearing masks or practicing physical distancing
  - Can visit with unvaccinated people from one additional household who are not at high risk for severe illness from COVID-19 indoors in non-healthcare settings without wearing masks or practicing physical distancing

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#### **NEW CDC Guidance for Vaccinated People**

- Fully vaccinated people:
  - Do not need to quarantine at home or get tested for COVID-19 after a known exposure to COVID-19 as long as they do not have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 and do not live in a healthcare or congregate setting
  - \*removed the 90-day restriction
  - If fully vaccinated person develops symptoms, stay home, isolate, seek testing
  - Congregate settings: hospitals, hospice facilities, SNFs, ALF, group homes, inpatient physical/addiction rehab facilities, shelters with dormitory facilities, temporary shelters, jails, detention facilities

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#### **NEW CDC Guidance for Vaccinated People**

- People who are fully vaccinated should continue to:
  - Wear a well-fitting mask, physically distance, adhere to other prevention measures when:
    - In public.
    - Around unvaccinated people from more than one household.
    - Visiting with unvaccinated people who are at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.
    - Visiting with unvaccinated people who have an unvaccinated household member who is at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.
  - Avoid medium- or large-sized in-person gatherings.
  - Get tested for COVID-19 if they have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19.
  - Follow all guidance issued by their employer.
  - Follow CDC and health department travel requirements and recommendations.

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#### UPDATED Quarantine Guidance removes 90-day window to be considered fully vaccinated

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#### **Operating Schools During COVID-19 – March 19th**

- Revised physical distancing recommendations to reflect at least 3 feet between students in classrooms and provide clearer guidance when a greater distance (such as 6 feet) is recommended.
- Clarified that ventilation is a component of strategies to clean and maintain healthy facilities.
- Removed recommendation for physical barriers.

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/schools.html



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### **VACCINE UPDATES**



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#### **Moderna Vaccination for Children**

- Moderna to start clinical trials in children 6mo-11yo in Phoenix and other select cities
- Parents interested can go to <u>KidCOVE</u> site for eligibility information or can call 602-368-1928 or 866-913-5454.
- Will receive placebo or doses of 25, 50 or 100 micrograms of the vaccine an adult dose is 100 depending on their age.
- Expected capacity for 6,750 children

https://connect.trialscope.com/studies/0e8fc8e6-5782-46fd-8b03-0994a5ad8b41 https://cronkitenews.azpbs.org/2021/03/16/phoenix-among-u-s-sites-for-modernas-covid-19-vaccine-trials-on-kids

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#### **Medicaid Vaccination Reimbursement**

#### AHCCCS Plans will reimburse for COVID-19 Vaccines

- Initial vaccine administration \$16.94
- Second vaccine administration \$28.39
- Single dose vaccine administration \$28.39
- Must be an ADHS On Boarded Provider
- Must be registered with AHCCCS
- Retroactive for Pfizer to 12/14/20, Moderna to 12/18/20 and Janssen to 02/27/21
- Exception: FQHC's, who are now receiving PPS Rate

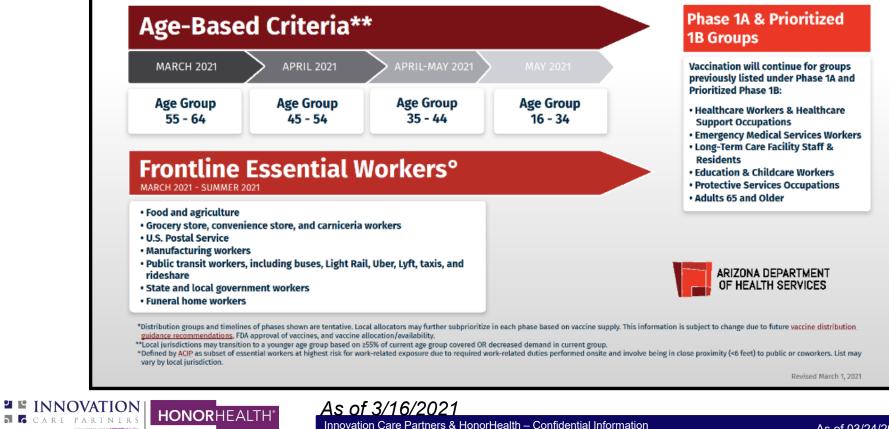
#### **Instructions:**

- Do not bill for the vaccine itself
- Bill for admin fee using the NPI(s) of the ordering and rendering provider
- NDC not required but CPT codes are. They are specific to the manufacturer. See link below



#### Maricopa County aligning with AZDH

#### **Arizona COVID-19 Vaccine Prioritization\***



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#### Maricopa Vaccine Status

#### **COVID-19 Vaccine Doses Administered to Maricopa County Residents**

Doses administered are those that have gone into arms of Maricopa County residents at any vaccine administration site.

All	1,496,907	
1st of 2-Dose Series	916,175	
1st of 1-Dose & 2nd of 2-Dose Series (Series Complete)	575,962	

Maricopa County residents received 30,000 doses of vaccine per day Almost 70% of those vaccinated in Maricopa County are 55 years or older. For the age groups of 55 years and older:

72% of those 75+ have received at least one dose of vaccine.65% of those 65-74 have received at least one dose of vaccine.35% of those 55-64 have received at least one dose of vaccine.



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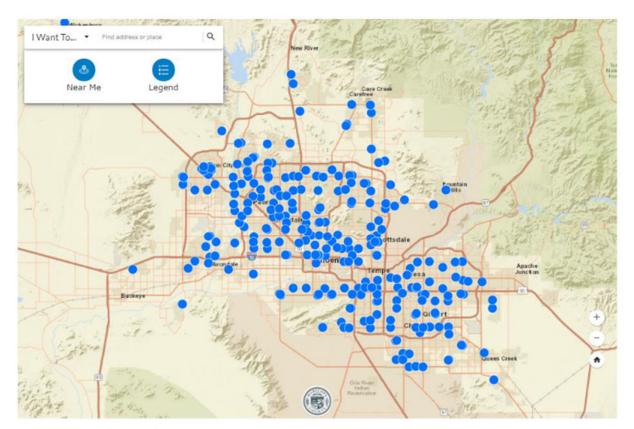
#### Age Groups of People Fully Vaccinated in US

Age Group	Percentage	Count
<18	0.1	48,006
18-29	7.3	3,108,686
30-39	10	4,220,487
40-49	10.6	4,475,854
50-64	19.7	8,340,181
65-74	27.6	11,692,134
75+	24.6	10,418,196



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#### **Maricopa County Vaccine Map**



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https://www.maricopa.gov/5659/COVID-19-Vaccine-Locations

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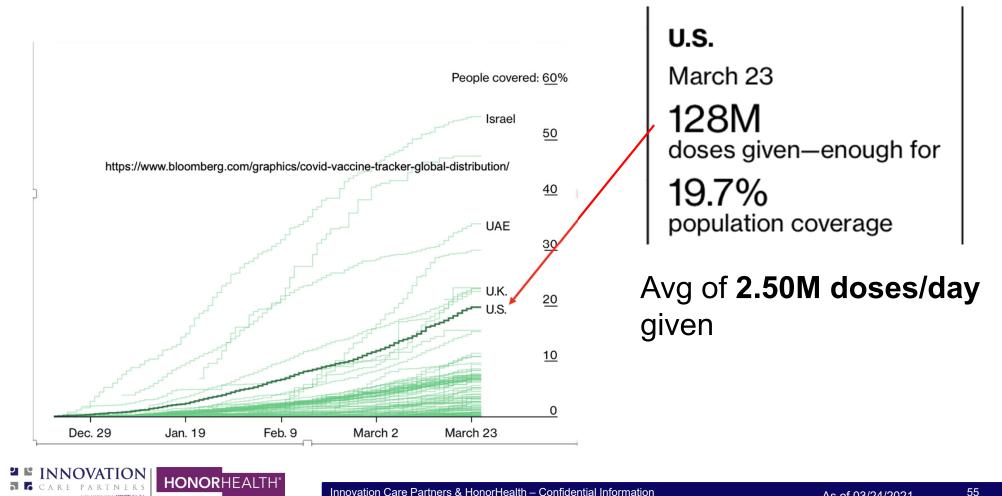
# The **BEST** vaccine is the vaccine you can get!



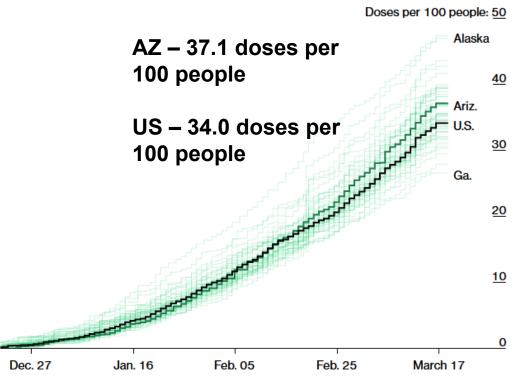
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#### **Global COVID-19 Vaccinations**



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Note: Two doses are needed for full protection with the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, while the J&J shot requires a single dose. Data from Bloomberg's Covid-19 Vaccine Tracker

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AZ - 25% of population vaccinated

-> 14.6% fully vaccinated

# -> 42.4% of 65+ pop fully vaccinated

#### Arizona

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Total LTC Doses Administered: 121,343 People in LTC with at least One Dose: 80,659 People in LTC Fully Vaccinated: 40,192

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#### **MCDPH Johnson & Johnson Vaccine**

- Distribution started the week of 3/10
- Vaccine prioritization for essential frontline workers
  - High risk as their work-related duties must be performed on-site and involve being within 6 feet of coworkers or members of the public
- Arizona's Vaccine and Antiviral Prioritization Advisory Committee (VAPAC) defines these essential workers:
  - Food and agriculture workers
  - Grocery store, convenience store, and carnicerias
  - U.S. Postal Service
  - Public Transit
  - State and local government
  - Funeral homes
  - Manufacturing
- MCDPH is partnering with groups to target these workers

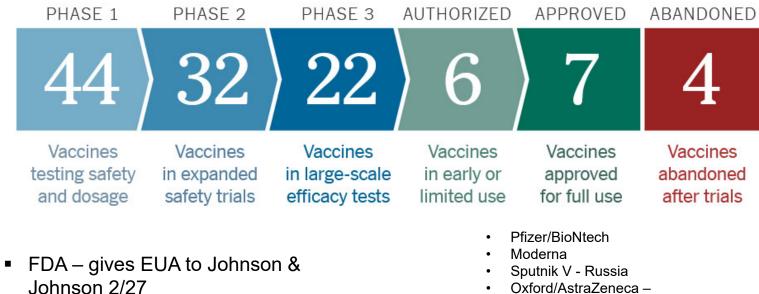
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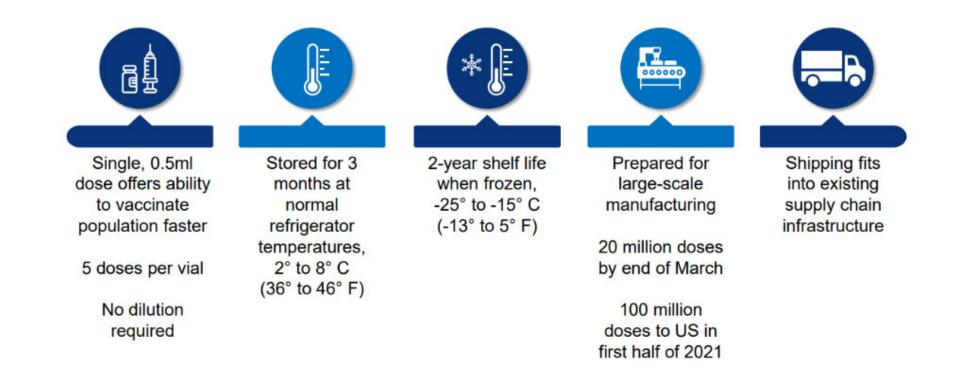
#### **Worldwide Vaccine Status**



UK

- CanSinoBio China
- Johnson & Johnson

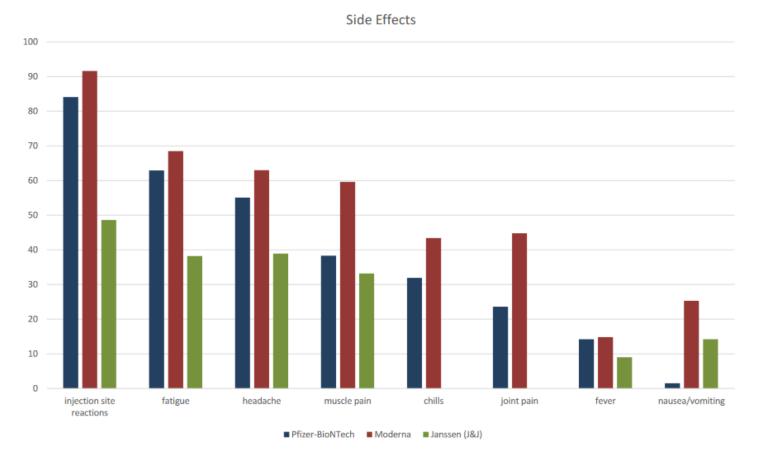
#### Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) Vaccine





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#### Side Effects by Vaccine – fewer with J&J

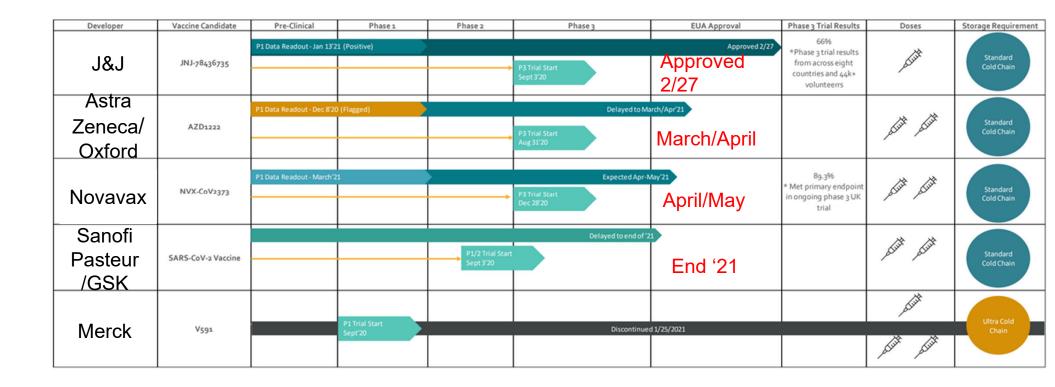


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#### **Operation Warp Speed EUA Tracker**



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#### Novavax

- 96% effective against original ancestral coronavirus
- 86% effective against UK variant
- 55% effective in small South Africa trial on people without HIV, but still fully prevented severe illness (49% in HIV positive)
- Novavax is developing new formulations of vaccine against variants
- Expected to file for authorization in UK in 2nd quarter
- 30,000 person trial in US and Mexico results in April



#### **Death rate 64% higher with UK Variant**

- BMJ study published 3/10/21
- 54,906 matched pairs positive for COVID from 10/1 to 1/29/21
  - Of the total, 367 (0.3%) died -
  - Of those with UK B1.1.7 variant, 227 (0.4%) died
  - Original strain had 141 (0.3%) deaths
- Hazard ratio for death by 28 days after diagnosis was 1.64 with UK variant, 1.32 for original
- Death rate not significantly higher up to 14 days after diagnosis, but rose days 15 to 28
- Caution: Absolute rates still low, study results not generalizable outside UK

**Original strain 2.5** deaths per 1,000

UK strain 4.1 deaths per 1,000

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https://www.cidrap.umn.edu/news-perspective/2021/03/death-rate-64-higher-b117-covid-variant-study-finds Innovation Care Partners & HonorHealth – Confidential Information

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## **HONORHEALTH UPDATES**

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#### **HonorHealth Updates**

#### **Currently In Process:**

- Guidelines for Post-Acute Liaisons to be able to return to hospitals.
- Post-Acute Network will be sent email with instructions when they are in effect.
- Coming in the next few weeks.

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### **GUEST SPEAKER**

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#### Southland

#### Welcome:

- Lori Passine RN, BSN, MBA
- Administrator
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#### **Questions – Type in Q & A Section**

Post-Acute Website: <a href="https://innovationcarepartners.com/postacutecommunications">https://innovationcarepartners.com/postacutecommunications</a>



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- If you have further questions or issues you would like to discuss
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