

Hospice and Palliative Care Resources for the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)



NHPCO COVID-19 Update – 04/23/21

NHPCO has created this update for hospice and palliative care providers to share recent news and helpful links. Please note, these Updates are published when there is helpful news to share.

**" Your present circumstances don't determine where you can go;
they merely determine where you start." – Nido Qubein**

Provider Update

Vaccine Access, Vaccine Hesitancy: Challenges to Herd Immunity

For the United States to achieve robust community protection from Covid-19, 75% to 85% of the population will need to be vaccinated, and yet only about 60% of adults say they intend to get a shot. Improving vaccination rates will require addressing vaccine hesitancy and bringing more vaccination sites into neighborhoods. Visit the [Hastings Center website](#) to learn more.

British Variant More Contagious

Science Daily reports, "A new study at Tel Aviv University found that the British variant (termed: B.1.1.7) of Covid-19 is 45% more contagious than the original virus."

3 in 10 Health-care Workers Consider Leaving the Profession

A [Washington Post-Kaiser Family Foundation poll](#) finds that, a year into the pandemic, roughly 3 in 10 health-care workers have weighed leaving their profession. More than half say they are burned out. And about 6 in 10 say stress from the pandemic has harmed their mental health.

Chiropractor First Person Charged Under COVID-19 False Claims Law

A US district court will decide whether a chiropractor who is charged with 10 counts of making false marketing claims related to COVID-19 will be the first person convicted under a new federal law. Visit the [Medscape website](#) to learn more.

Resources

Preparedness Resources: Acute Care Delivery at Home

The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange (TRACIE) released an [Acute Care Delivery at Home](#) tip sheet. Learn about the characteristics of various types of acute care delivery at home programs, including [CMS Acute Hospital Care at Home](#) waivers.

More Information:

- [ASPR TRACIE](#) fact sheet
- [ASPR TRACIE COVID-19 Resources](#) webpage

CDC's COVID-19 Weekly Partner Calls

CDC invites representatives from community-based organizations, local government, the private sector, academia, and the general public to learn more about how they can help slow the spread of COVID-19 in their communities. Each week they feature experts from different parts of CDC's COVID-19 response to deep dive into specific topics, helping you learn more about the latest scientific findings, guidance for operations, information resources, and answering your COVID-19 questions. Find the partner calls on the [CDC website](#).

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