

COVID-19 Guidance Wrap-up Week Ending May 15, 2020

This document provides a recap of guidance and other information. It is a resource to manage the evolving material for health care facilities and professionals as well as those entrusted to postmortem care. It is not meant to serve as an all-inclusive compilation.

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH GUIDANCE PUBLISHED THIS WEEK				
Date	Title	New or Revised	Audience	
5/8/2020	COVID-19 Veterinary Guidance	New	Veterinary Practices	
5/8/2020	2020-09, COVID-19 Prevention Methods for Funeral Directors	Revised	Funeral Directors	
5/9/2020	Guidance on COVID-19 for Health Care Providers	New	Health Care Providers	
5/11/2020	COVID-19 and Treatment Drugs FAQ	Revised	General Public	
5/12/2020	Guidance on Hospital Responses to COVID- 19	Revised	Hospitals	
5/12/2020	COVID-19 Interim Nursing Care Facility Guidance	Revised	Nursing Care Facilities	
5/12/2020	Overview of Long-Term Care Strategy	New	Nursing Care Facilities	
5/12/2020	Summary of Remdesivir Allocation	New	Hospitals	
5/12/2020	List of Hospitals Receiving Remdesivir Allocation	New	Hospitals	
5/14/2020	Contact Tracing Information for Individuals and Groups	New	Those interested in getting involved with contact tracing	

RELEVANT CDC GUIDANCE PUBLISHED RECENTLY		
Title	Audience	
Preventing the Spread of COVID-19 in a	Healthcare settings; long-term care and nursing homes;	
Variety of Settings Throughout Your	correctional and detention facilities; communities,	
Community	schools, and workplaces; those serving homeless	
	populations; tribal communities	

SOME QUESTION(S) RECEIVED RECENTLY			
Question	Answer		
If I live in a county now designated as in the yellow phase of reopening, will I be able to have my routine dental cleaning?	Non-urgent dental procedures, like routine cleanings, should not be conducted now and instead delayed until it's safe. If a dental procedure can't be delayed, dental teams need to wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) to protect patients and themselves.		



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OTHER NOTEWORTHY INFORMATION

- 505 05/06/20 UPD UPDATE: SARS-CoV-2 Laboratory Testing Comparison
- 506 05/11/20 ALT Pediatric Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome
- 507 05/11/20 ALT Restarting Water Systems
- 508 05/12/20 ADV ADVISORY: Test-based Strategies for Preventing Transmission of the Virus that Causes COVID-19 in Skilled Nursing Facilities

FOR MORE INFORMATION				
Source	Address			
Pennsylvania	https://www.health.pa.gov/			
Department of Health				
(DOH)				
Process for Reopening	https://www.governor.pa.gov/process-to-reopen-pennsylvania/			
Pennsylvania				
DOH COVID-19 Info	https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Nursing-			
for Nursing Homes	<u>Homes.aspx</u>			
DOH COVID-19 Info	https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Hospitals.aspx			
for Hospitals				
DOH COVID-19 Info	https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Health-Care-			
for Other Licensed	<u>Facilities.aspx</u>			
Healthcare Facilities				
DOH COVID-19 Info	https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Health-Care-			
for Health Care	<u>Professionals.aspx</u>			
Professionals				
DOH COVID-19 Info	https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Dental-			
for Dental Care	<u>Care.aspx</u>			
DOH COVID-19 Info	https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Coroners.aspx			
for Coroners/Medical				
Examiners				
DOH COVID-19 Info	https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Funeral-			
for Funeral Directors	<u>Directors.aspx</u>			
2020 DOH Health	https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/prep/PA-HAN/Pages/2020-HAN.aspx			
Alerts, Advisories and				
Updates				
Centers for Disease	https://www.cdc.gov/			
Control and				
Prevention				