

# Georgia OEMS Update – COVID-19

David Newton / Friday, 4/17/2020



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## Agenda

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- Reminders
- COVID-19 Notifications to First Responders
- Battelle Decontamination System
- EMS Education Programs
- Questions

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## Reminders

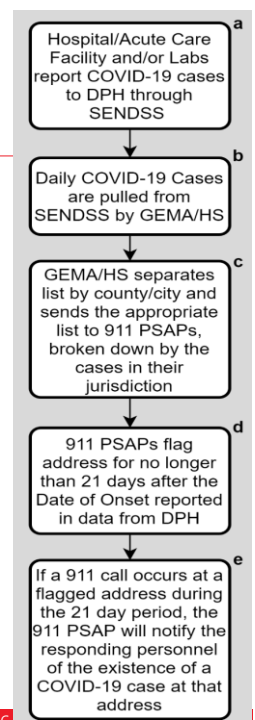
- OEMS Updates on our website – [www.ems.ga.gov](http://www.ems.ga.gov)
  - Not all updates are emailed out – some are posted on the OEMS COVID-19 page
- All licensed personnel need to log into LMS and put in their email address
- Agencies must update rosters and Key Personnel
- PPE
  - Requests
  - Conservation methods
  - Agencies should have a plan in place if SNS supplies are not available

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## COVID-19 Notifications to First Responders

- Two parts
  - Prospective
    - Testing data is received by DPH
    - Daily cases are pulled and sent to 911 PSAPs (GEMA/HS)
    - 911 PSAPs create flag for address
    - 911 call at a flagged address
  - Retrospective
    - Hospitalized Patients vs. Non-hospitalized patients
    - Regional EMS Staff notifications to First Responder Agencies



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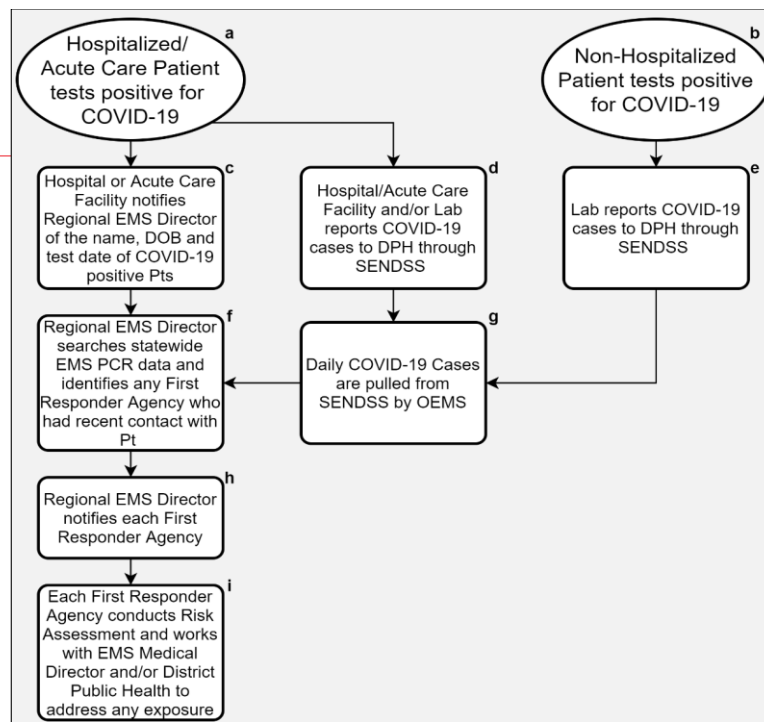
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## NOTE

- COVID-19 IS in your community
- Every person in your community has NOT been tested (some have, but not all)
- There are delays in testing results being reported to DPH (patient waits to get tested, lab waits to send data, etc.)
- List will contain only the addresses of those who have been tested and the data reported to DPH
- Do NOT let this list be a false sense of security – take precautions on ALL calls
- 911 PSAPs should continue to ask the COVID-19 screening questions for all requested responses

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## Website

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- <https://dph.georgia.gov/EMS/oems-covid-19>

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(includes notes from 3/20, 3/27, 4/3 and 4/10)



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## For this to work...

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- All EMS Agencies must submit data on ALL calls
- MUST have the correct:
  - Patient First Name
  - Patient Last Name
  - Patient Date of Birth

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## Notifications to agencies

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- Cases are tied to the district where the patient lives – but we are searching against where the calls are run
- Will come by encrypted email from one of the Regional EMS staff (may be from a different region)
- You may get multiple notifications per day

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## Battelle Decontamination System

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- You should have received an email regarding this
- <https://dph.georgia.gov/EMS/oems-covid-19>

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Requesting PPE Resources (Updated 3/28/2020) 

Information for Licensed EMS Personnel (Updated 3/27/2020) 

Information for Public Safety Agencies (EMS, Fire, Law Enforcement) (Updated 4/16/2020) 

Information for EMS Initial Education Programs (Updated 4/17/2020) 

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## Information for EMS Initial Education Programs (Updated 4/17/2020)

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- For the latest guidance on what modifications to EMS initial education programs are permitted during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, click [HERE](#). This document includes the information shared on the WebEx on Wednesday, 4/15/2020.
- **NOTE: Any cohort graduating on or after 5/1/2020 should use the 2020 version of the EMT, AEMT, or Paramedic File Review Forms, respectively. The new file review forms are required for all cohorts graduating on or after 6/1/2020. These will be posted on the Office of EMS and Trauma webpage by Monday, 4/19/2020.**

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## Questions?

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- Stay healthy and stay safe!