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 Georgia OEMS Update – Epidemiology and Operations

OEMS / Friday, 08/13/2021

Agenda

- Epidemiology Report
- EMS Updates
- Upcoming meetings
- Questions
COVID-19 Epidemiology Report

Dr. Cherie Drenzek

Epidemiology Report – Dr. Cherie Drenzek – graphs as of 08/12/2021

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<th>Confirmed Cases</th>
<th>Confirmed Deaths</th>
<th>Hospitalizations</th>
<th>ICU Admissions</th>
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<td>977,482</td>
<td>18,942</td>
<td>68,640</td>
<td>11,598</td>
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Antigen Positive Cases | Probable Deaths |
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COVID-19 Testing

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<th>Total PCR/Molecular</th>
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<th>Total Antigen</th>
<th>Total Antibody (Serology)</th>
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<td>9,782,536</td>
<td>31,860</td>
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<td>Number of Positive Tests</td>
<td>951,616</td>
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<td>% Positive</td>
<td>9.7%</td>
<td>17.5%</td>
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Cases Over Time (By date of report)

Confirmed Deaths by Date of Report
Reported cases per 100,000 people last 14 days - as of 08/12/2021

Georgia - August 12
Cases (last 2 weeks): 48,209
Cases per 100k (last 2 weeks): 445
Cases (total): 977,482
Cases per 100k (total): 9,022.8
Population: 10,833,472
Questions for Dr. Drenzek

- Epidemiology

County Indicator Reports – Reminder

- [https://dph.georgia.gov/county-indicator-reports](https://dph.georgia.gov/county-indicator-reports)
Calculated COVID-19 Syndrome – 3/10/2020 – 8/12/2021, AL, FL, GA

Current PPE Process

• Qualifying entities (healthcare facilities and first responders) should follow the process below:

1. Requests for emergency resupply of PPE must go through county EMAs using the State’s WebEOC resource request process, which must include the following information:
   o Official and complete facility/agency name;
   o The full physical address, including zip code, for delivery;
   o The number of days remaining on-hand for the individual item(s); and
   o List of vendors the requestor attempted to acquire PPE through

2. Emergency resupply of PPE is defined as an entity running out of PPE within 72 hours. DPH will ship a one-time limited set of PPE to entities that fall into that category, along with a copy of the current PPE vendor list.
New Place for Version 2 Data

Coming by 1/1/2022

- Data set will be added to Report Writer in GEMSIS Elite
- Vault will be used to access records for printing/downloading
- All record access in vault has audit tracking – you will be able to see every time someone accesses a record
You don’t have to do anything right now!

- This is just informational for you

GEMSIS (V2) Not available after 12/31/2021
V2 Data Going Forward

- Report Writer
  - GEMSIS Elite (will be a new data set)
- Search for, view, print, download PCRs
  - GEMSIS Vault
    - Streamlined interface
Trip Reports

Kelly Joiner

• Must be at hospital before the crew leaves
  o If the hospital has full ePCR electronically (may need to ask them this), then quick report not needed
  o Otherwise, a physical Quick Report needs to be left at the hospital for continuity of care
Binax Cards

• Still available – request through LMS initially
• 6-month expiration date extension past printed expiration date
• Need more? Let us know
Wall Times

Call Volume (2/28-8/11)

Patient Offload Times

Call to Unit Enroute
## 911 Calls, Ground Ambulance, 2019-now

### Call to Unit En Route

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<th>Neds</th>
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Statewide Diversion and Wall Times Task Force

- Ad-hoc Task Force to bring EMS, Hospitals, Regulators, Physicians, Associations, etc. to the table together to discuss:
  - EMS transports to alternative destinations
  - Interfacility transports and hospital discharge transports
  - Legal and liability concerns
  - Local and regional diversion plans
  - Communications and outreach needs

- Will work expeditiously to identify viable solutions regarding the recent increase in EMS patient offload times and diversion issues at Georgia’s hospitals

- This Task Force is not meant to place blame on any entity within the healthcare spectrum – instead, this Task Force is meant to foster coordination, communication, and collaboration

Statutorily Mandated Training

Richard Rhodes
O.C.G.A. § 31-11-55.2. Administration of hydrocortisone sodium succinate intramuscular by emergency medical services personnel; training; reporting; immunity

- Passed during 2021 legislative session
- Requires all EMS Personnel to:
  - "obtain appropriate training on congenital adrenal hyperplasia, and all paramedics shall obtain appropriate training regarding administration of hydrocortisone sodium succinate as set forth in the rules and regulations of the Department of Public Health"

Statutorily Mandated Training for CAH

- OEMST is currently creating training
- Will be on TRAIN Georgia
  - FREE
  - ~30 minutes or less
  - Will be posted by October 1, 2021
- Required of all EMS Personnel
Upcoming Meetings/Trainings

- OEMS Educational Update on Fri, 8/27/2021 @ 11am
- OEMS Epidemiology and Operational Update POLL
  - Every 2 weeks
  - Monthly
  - Every 2 months
  - Quarterly
Questions? And Open Discussion

Thanks for all that you do!

• Be safe
• Be prepared
• Watch your emails