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Agenda

• Epidemiology Report
• Operational Updates
• Questions
Epidemiology Report – Dr. Cherie Drenzek – graphs as of 11/05/2020

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<td>8,126</td>
<td>32,217</td>
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Antigen Positive Cases: 31,257

Probable Deaths: 452

COVID-19 Testing

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<td>3,672,160</td>
<td>24,882</td>
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<td>Number of Positive Tests</td>
<td>344,574</td>
<td>1,868</td>
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<td>9.4%</td>
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## Epidemiology Report – Dr. Cherie Drenzek – graphs as of 12/03/2020


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<td>8,879</td>
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**Antigen Positive Cases**

- **54,625**

**Probable Deaths**

- **769**

### COVID-19 Testing

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<td>Number of Positive Tests</td>
<td>406,225</td>
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<td>9.2%</td>
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Cases Over Time (By date of onset)
Reported cases per 100,000 people last 14 days - as of 12/03/2020

**Georgia - December 03**
- Cases (last 2 weeks): 37,261
- Cases per 100k (last 2 weeks): 344
- Cases (total): 433,353
- Cases per 100k (total): 4000
- Population: 10,833,472
Emerging counties of interest represent counties with $\geq 5\%$ increase in COVID syndrome/ILI syndrome (if $\geq 5$ visits) AND $\geq 5\%$ increase in cases (if $\geq 5$ cases) OR $\geq 25\%$ change in cases AND $>10$ cases during most recent week.
Counties with High Transmission Indicators, by County of Residence

10/17 to 10/30

11/14 to 11/27

Counties of High Transmission Indicators represent Counties with [14-day cases rate is > 100 cases/100,000 county residents (> 5 cases during this period)] AND [14-day average % positive PCR tests > 10% (> 20 total tests performed during this period)]
Phase 1a Vaccinations of Healthcare Workers

Initial Phase 1a Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), as of December 3, 2020:

ACIP recommended that, when a COVID-19 vaccine is authorized by FDA and recommended by ACIP, both 1) health care personnel and 2) residents of long-term care facilities (LTCFs) be offered vaccination in the initial phase of the COVID-19 vaccination program (Phase 1a).

Next Steps:

- EMS, under current ACIP recommendations, is considered part of Phase 1a.

- Please contact your district public health emergency preparedness section for information regarding first responder vaccination planning.
Health Districts

- https://dph.georgia.gov/about-dph/contact-dph/public-health-districts
Calculated COVID-19 Syndrome – 3/10/2020 – 12/04/2020, AL, FL, GA
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EMS Operational Updates
Reminders

• As of 12/04/2020:
  o 2,942 (-270 in last month) Medics without email addresses!

• Renewal season is here!
  o 15,615 still to renew

• Agencies MUST have current rosters.

• There is NO excuse for having out-of-date rosters and NO excuse for saying “I didn’t know that medic had expired”
CLIA and BinaxNOW

• CLIA
  o All EMS Agencies are required to have a CLIA Certificate of Waiver
  o “Waived” tests REQUIRE a CLIA Certificate of Waiver

• BinaxNOW
  o [https://dph.georgia.gov/EMS/binaxnow-ems](https://dph.georgia.gov/EMS/binaxnow-ems)
  o Data portal for reporting results is up and running
  o Request an allocation through LMS
Medical Directors

• New State EMS Medical Director
  o Dr. Alex Isakov

• New EMSMDAC Chair
  o Dr. Jim Augustine
Next OEMS Updates

• Epidemiology and Operational Updates
  o Q1 CY2021 updates – 2\textsuperscript{nd} Fridays @ 11am
    □ January 8, 2021
    □ February 12, 2021
    □ March 12, 2021

• Instructor Updates
  o All EMS Initial Education Program Directors should attend
  o Recommended that all Instructor/Coordinators attend as well
  o Friday, 12/11/2020 @ 11am (~1 hour)
  o Q1 CY2021 updates – 4\textsuperscript{th} Friday @ 11am
    □ January 22, 2021
    □ February 26, 2021
    □ March 26, 2021
Questions? And Open Discussion
Thanks for all that you do!

- Be safe
- Be prepared
- Watch your emails