

**HICS FORM 202: INCIDENT OBJECTIVES**



<b>1. Incident Name:</b> Hospital and Clinic Call RE: COVID-19	<b>2. Operational Period:</b> May 8, 1100-1200	<b>3. Incident Location:</b> Teleconference
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**5. Attendees:** Hospital Representatives and Clinic Representatives

TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Call to Order	Called to order by Aimee Wollman Nesseth, Program Coordinator
Challenges/Issues	<p><b>Happy Early Mother’s Day</b></p> <p><b>EMResource</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thank you to everyone who is entering data daily on EMResource! This does help us stay up to date on current trends. You will see that all hospitals in the State have answered the Badger Bounce Back metric questions. The three Healthcare Metric questions on the BBB dashboard will change to “green” today.</li> </ul> <p><b>ASPR Survey:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reminder that Aimee needs to have your responses to this survey by next Wednesday. Please work with your hospital Incident Command teams to brain storm about the survey questions. It may be that you will NOT be requesting additional funds. That’s fine. Again, the answers will be summarized by region when uploaded to the Federal data site.</li> </ul> <p><b>PPE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aimee wasn’t sure if she had mentioned that the County Emergency Manager surveys will be coming out every other week instead of every week. Most hospitals have not been requesting PPE through this process yet, but be aware that the process has changed.</li> <li><b>Question:</b> Is the PPE being received from the SNS or State Cache to be used for surgical cases? Some of the initial supplies from the SNS supply was expired and clearly marked “not for surgical use”. Randy Books wasn’t sure, will ask the SEOC. <b>Answer:</b> Yes, PPE that is suitable for medical procedures should be conserved for emergency care of COVID-19 patients.</li> </ul> <p><b>Evaluating and Testing: Please continue to promote these testing sites!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>May 8:</b> Pierce and St. Croix, Baldwin, 1100-1900: Robb reported that Pierce and St. Croix took appointments. As of yesterday, they had about 128 appointments for today in Baldwin.</li> <li><b>May 9:</b> Pierce and St. Croix, River Falls, 0900-1600</li> <li><b>May 10,</b> 0800-1700: Dunn and Eau Claire County at Prevea testing site.</li> <li><b>May 11,</b> 1100-1900: Dunn and Eau Claire County at Prevea testing site</li> <li><b>May 13,</b> 1100-1900: Chippewa, Clark and Taylor Counties, Thorp</li> <li><b>May 14,</b> 1100-1900: Chippewa and Rusk Counties, Ladysmith</li> <li><b>May 14,</b> 1100-1900: Sawyer County and LCO, Winter</li> </ul>

- One concern was raised on the State-wide Public Health Officer call regarding the availability of tests for symptomatic patients vs. pre-surgical patients. How do we find the balance? A couple of hospitals reported that this has been a discussion at their local Incident Command. They are watching carefully to be sure to have enough for symptomatic testing. If you haven't had that conversation, please do. Thank you!

**Provider Resources:**

**Updated CDC Guidance: Return to Work Criteria for HCP with Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19**

**Symptomatic HCP with suspected or confirmed COVID-19** (Either strategy is acceptable depending on local circumstances):

**1. Symptom-based strategy.** Exclude from work until:

- At least 3 days (72 hours) have passed **since recovery** defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications **and** improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); **and**,
- At least 10 days have passed **since symptoms first appeared**

**2. Test-based strategy.** Exclude from work until:

- Resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications **and**
- Improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath), **and**
- Negative results of an FDA Emergency Use Authorized COVID-19 molecular assay for detection of SARS-CoV-2 RNA from at least two consecutive respiratory specimens collected  $\geq 24$  hours apart (total of two negative specimens)<sup>[1]</sup>. See [Interim Guidelines for Collecting, Handling, and Testing Clinical Specimens for 2019 Novel Coronavirus \(2019-nCoV\)](#). Of note, there have been reports of prolonged detection of RNA without direct correlation to viral culture.

**Outbreak Page on WI DHS:**

- Discussion regarding current outbreaks and investigations. There is ongoing conversation regarding identifying locations where outbreaks are ongoing. Not sure exactly how that is going to work. More to come.  
<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/investigations.htm>
- Natasha Bentz shared that the Governor's plan is to do testing in every long-term care facility. Still working out the logistics of this plan and how it would happen. Long-term care facilities still have a lot of questions about this as well.

**Resiliency:** Don't forget to take care of yourselves and others! This is a prolonged event that is taking a toll on mental health.

- 3. UW Madison Department of Psychiatry Website: Section specific to Healthcare Workers

<https://www.psychiatry.wisc.edu/covid-19-mental-health-resource-guide-support/>

**Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 1132

**Next Meetings:**

Monday, **May 11 ,2020, 1100-1200** teleconference

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