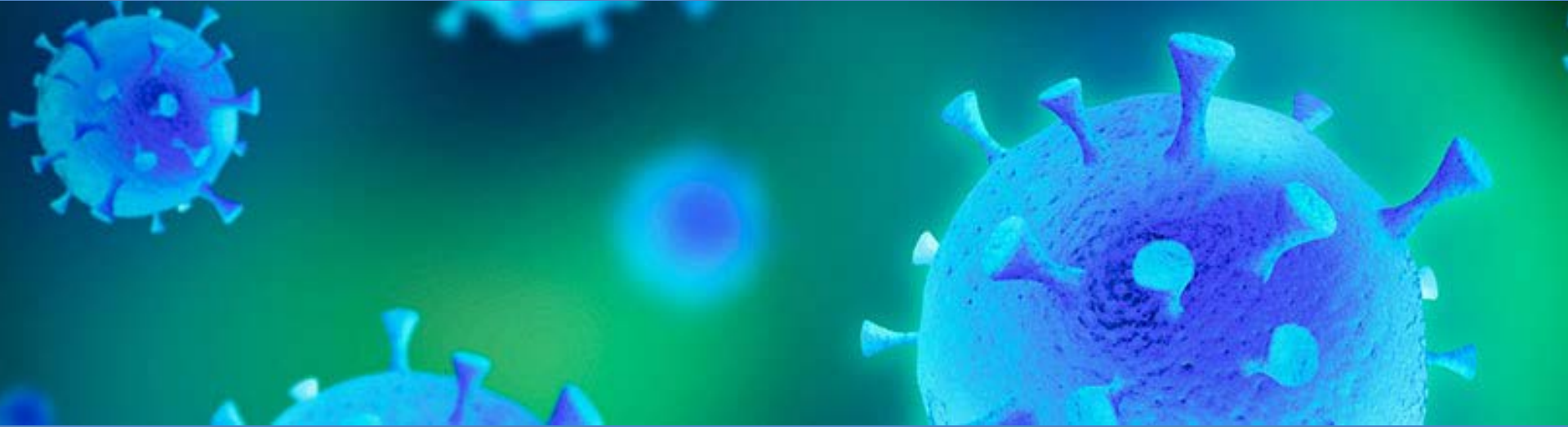


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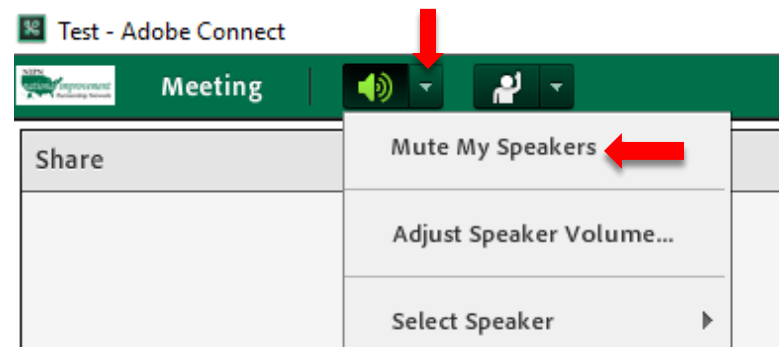
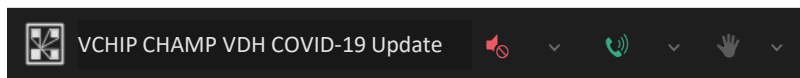
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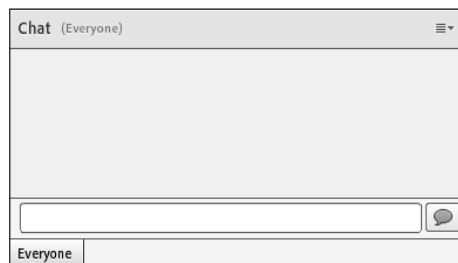
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Objectives

- Situation update
 - ▣ Surveillance
 - ▣ Payment policies: BCBS, Vermont Medicaid
- Sharing practice strategies
 - ▣ American Academy of Pediatrics e-mail 3/19/20 and link to guidance re: well child, sick care and immunizations
 - ▣ North Country Pediatrics (Newport)
- Question and answer
 - ▣ Follow up open questions from 3/19/20
 - ▣ New Questions

Situation Update

- Laboratory testing: VDH lab running approximately 100 samples/day (clinical prioritization: symptomatic HCWs, hosp. pts., LTC residents, incarcerated individuals, “other high-priority groups”).
- Current COVID activity in Vermont:

Positive test results	22
Total tests conducted	667
People being monitored	282
People who have completed monitoring	274

This table is updated daily by 2:00 p.m. Last updated: March 19, 2020

<https://www.healthvermont.gov/response/infectious-disease/2019-novel-coronavirus>

- Testing updates
- Continue submission by calling VDH ID/Epi (**802-863-7240**) to coordinate infec. control/submission/form completion. (UVM CH/MC: internal system)

Situation Update (cont'd.)

Payment policies:

- Blue Cross Blue Shield of Vermont
 - Temporary/Emergency Policy: Telephone Triage
 - Temporary/Emergency Policy: Preventive Medicine by Telemedicine
 - Telemedicine Payment Policy / Corporate Policy
 - Federal Employee Program (FEP) Interim Measure for telehealth provided by non-Teladoc Providers
- Vermont Medicaid
 - Webinar today (now): provider questions on policy –
 - Vermont Medicaid Payments for Telephonic Services Furnished During the Emergency Response to COVID-19 (3/18/20)

Situation Update (cont'd.)

- Vermont Immunization Program
 - Guidance for Practices Closing Temporarily
- WIC: working w/stores to assure authorized formula availability (beware of social media posts promoting homemade infant formula/dilution)
- Child care provider update
- DCF update

Practice Implementation Strategies

North Country Pediatrics, Newport, VT
Alexandra Bannach, MD FAAP



Questions/Discussion

- Q & A Goal: monitor/respond in real time – record/ disseminate later as needed (and/or revisit next day).
- **For additional questions, please e-mail:**
 - vchip.champ@med.uvm.edu
- Next call: **Monday, March 23, 12:15-12:45** (same webinar/call information – invitation to follow)
- Please tune in to VMS call with Commissioner Levine:
Tuesday, March 24, 12:15-12:45
Phone: 1-802-552-8456
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