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April 2, 2020
Technology Notes

1) All participants will be muted upon joining the call. If you dialed in or out, unmute by pressing #6 to ask a question (and press *6 to mute).

Presenters: Please avoid the use of speakerphone and make sure your computer speaker is muted if you dialed in via phone.

2) To ask or respond to a question using the Chat box, type your question and click the icon or press Enter to send.
Overview

- Situation update
  - Surveillance
  - Testing update
  - Important announcements
  - Other information/resources/follow-up

- Sharing practice strategies: view from Addison Co.
  - Pediatric Primary Care, Porter Medical Center – Monica Benjamin, APRN
  - Rainbow Pediatrics– Tawnya Kiernan, MD FAAP

- Question and answer

[Please note: the COVID-19 situation continues to evolve very rapidly – so the information we’re providing today may change quickly]

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Situation Update

- Surveillance – current COVID activity in Vermont:
  - Positive test results*: 321
  - Total tests conducted: 4,495
  - Deaths*: 16
  - People being monitored: 153
  - People who have completed monitoring: 645

[Graph showing number of new and cumulative Vermont COVID-19 cases]

Vermont Case Count – April 1, 2020

Testing in Vermont

- Survey sent to Family Medicine & PCIM yesterday
- VDH seeking input on testing site utilization, wait times and distance to travel for test
  - (E.g.) Do you have a test center close enough to use?
  - Are there wait times at the test sites to your knowledge?
- GIS mapping under way (will share map with tonight’s reminder e-mail)
TODAY: MEDIA BRIEFING ON STATE’S MODELING OF COVID-19 SPREAD

What: Overview of the State’s modeling on the potential rates of growth of COVID-19.

When: Thursday, April 2 at 2:00 p.m.

Where: most VT TV and radio stations live broadcast

Who: Department of Financial Regulation Commissioner Michael Pieciak; Department of Health Commissioner Mark Levine, MD; Agency of Human Services Secretary Mike Smith; and Department of Public Safety Commissioner Michael Schirling
New Information/Resources

- **Webinar TONIGHT:** Thursday, April 2\textsuperscript{nd} at 7 PM
- Conducted by the Pediatric Management Institute: The Business Impact Of COVID-19 On Pediatric Practices
- **Presenters:**
  - PMI's Paulie Vanchiere
  - PCC's Chip Hart (Vermont)
- **Topics:** financial and operational issues related to COVID-19 in pediatric practice
- Information/registration link in last night’s email
- No personal experience with quality – recommended by AAP national.
Follow-Up

- Clarification of HAN re: OnCall for Vermont (Medical Reserve Corps) – information from Dr. Harry Chen (VDH lead on this issue):
  - Request **not** intended for hospital and long-term care staff
  - PCPs should assess availability based on indiv. circumstances (business/economic, current practice ops, age/medical conditions)
  - Likely a 2-3 week commitment (but unknown at this time)
  - Entirely voluntary, and you may decline if asked
  - Planning communication to all licensing boards with critical information
Follow-Up

- School food availability (thank you, Michelle Shepard)
  - Eligible schools (those that meet low income requirements) can deliver food to all students.
  - Previously ineligible schools may reapply to the USDA for this designation.
  - Important to know which area schools are eligible & help families to access service even if previously w/o free/reduced lunch.

- BCBSVT
  - Planning communication to members re: impt. to remain w/PCP. Premiums: call BCBSVT call center to arrange individual payment plan. SEE AMA coding resource.

- VT Medicaid: providers should seek all potential funding avenues that are open to them, including the Medicaid Retainer and federal support via the CARES Act. Anticipate publishing FAQ tomorrow.
The View from Addison County
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Today’s Chuckle

What’s happening?
Why are all the humans wearing muzzles?
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
  - What do you need – how can we be helpful (specific guidance)?
- VCHIP CHAMP VDH COVID-19 website:
- Next CHAMP call: Friday April 3, 12:15-12:45 (same webinar/call information – invitation to follow)
- Please tune in to VMS call with Commissioner Levine:
  - Next Tuesday, April 7, 12:15-12:45
    - Phone: 1-802-552-8456
    - Conference ID: 993815551