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1) **All participants will be muted upon joining the call.**
   
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2) To ask or respond to a question using the **Chat** box, type your question and click the ✋ icon or press Enter to send.
New week, new schedule!
- This week: *Monday, Wednesday, Friday*
- Please continue to send us feedback re: the weeks ahead

Situation, VDH and other updates
- Surveillance
- Testing

Today’s Media Briefing

Monday Potpourri

Q & A, Discussion

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

- **No** patients in ICU/on ventilators
- 1,814 total tests conducted 6/6/20
- 7/356 tests reported positive on 6/7 (VDH lab only)
- Ongoing opportunities for testing of asymptomatic persons at pop-up sites – find times/locations & register at: [https://humanresources.vermont.gov/popups](https://humanresources.vermont.gov/popups)

### Total Cases:
- **1,075**

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As of May 16, the total testing numbers decreased by about 1,000 due to a change in reporting data. The "total tests" number no longer includes serology tests (also known as antibody tests) that were being reported by some labs. The "total test" number now only reflects people who were tested for a current COVID-19 infection.

Reminder: "Total People Recovered" based on the number of confirmed positive cases (VT residents & non-VT residents who tested positive in VT; does not include deaths or patients currently hospitalized).
Situation update (cont’d.)

COVID-19 Positive Cases by Sex

- Female: 52.84%
- Male: 46.51%
- Unknown: 0.65%

COVID-19 Positive Cases by Ethnicity if Known

- Not Hispanic: 97.21%
- Hispanic: 2.79%

COVID-19 Positive Cases by Race if Known

- White: 88.57%
- Black or African American: 7.9%
- Asian: 2.03%
- American Indian or Alaska Native: 0.19%

Hover over charts to see values.

Cases by Sex, Ethnicity and Race
Testing

Seeking your feedback:

- It appears that much testing is happening at pop-up sites
- Are FQHCs testing? (VDH receiving some conflicting information on this)
- Are primary care sites testing?
- Are hospitals sites still active?
VDH Updates

- **Updated** – Quarantine, isolation, and self-observation chart
  - Updates: “Do I stay home?” and “Can I go to work” under self-observation, included information about the day 7 testing option, and references the new guidance for traveling to VT, which allows travelers from certain Northeast counties to come to Vermont without quarantining.

- **NEW** handout – “Guidance for Visitors and Returning Travelers”:
  - Summarizes what visitors and travelers should do, and links to the map of counties that qualify.
Resources: Talking about Race
(Thank you, Melissa Kaufold and others!)

- How White Parents Can Talk To Their Kids About Race (NPR):
  https://www.npr.org/2020/06/03/869071246/how-white-parents-can-talk-to-their-kids-about-race

- National Museum of African American History and Culture (Smithsonian)
  https://nmaahc.si.edu/learn/talking-about-race?__s=1sfibvjd3a5988retg10&utm_source=Client%20Newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Blackout+Tuesday

- CNN Town Hall with Sesame Street (Sat., 6/6/20) – Coming Together: Standing Up To Racism

- Special Event: Talking to Children Authentically about Race and Racism
  https://www.pbs.org/parents/talking-about-racism
Governor Scott:

- Recognized weekend protests – commended for standing up for racial justice, doing so peacefully, observing healthy practices.
- Situation in St. Johnsbury last week: parties met and made amends.
- Today’s updates:
  - ACCD to issue GLs today re: **recreational organized sports** – **not** professional, nor college level leagues and teams.
  - Maintain 25-person limit – players, coaches, officials; also applies to crowd size.
  - “Low touch” only: soccer, baseball, softball, lacrosse. Higher contact sports may conduct no/low contact conditioning/skills building drills.
  - June 15 – scrimmages w/in teams; July 1 – games w/in leagues.
  - Maintain distance when possible; encourage FCCs; enhanced hygiene practices.
Commissioner Levine: Winooski Outbreak

- More than 1K tested in Winooski & surrounding communities.
- Uptick in total cases, but positivity rate still very low.
- Now known to include people in Burlington – identified new cases through additional testing opportunities. Analyzing possible links to Winooski and/or unrelated transmission in Burlington.
- As of 6/7/20 evening: 62 cases believed associated w/outbreak (48 in Winooski, 9 in Burlington, 5 in other Chittenden Co. towns)
- 38 adults and 24 children; age range 1 – 64 y.o.; median age 21
  - No known associated hospitalizations or deaths
Daily testing this week in Winooski and Burlington; expect cases to continue to rise.

- Cases contacted by VDH staff; guidance provided (goal of limiting household transmission – but challenges noted). Have also reached all close contacts to date.
- Goal: clear, culturally respectful communication
- Only ~1/5 reported symptoms (due to younger age and/or early detection?)
- Identifying and responding to resident needs, working with city administrations and VT Agency of Human Services.

Q & A: AHS continues to review long-term care and hospital visitation policies.
Monday Potpourri!
CHAMP Surveys Assessing COVID-19 Impact on Practices

- **Goal:** Identify the impact of COVID-19 on practices and preventive services in order to keep delivering call content that’s timely and relevant and to inform priority topic areas for the fall learning session and QI project

- **2 surveys:**
  - **Telehealth for Preventives Services**, including developmental screening & adolescent well visits *sent monthly on the 15th*
  - **Practice Impact**, including PPE, personnel & finances *sent on the 1st and 15th of the month*

Email Avery Rasmussen (avery.rasmussen@med.uvm.edu) if your practice did not receive the survey links and would like to participate.
Upcoming Topics

- Emerging guidance for school re-opening, fall 2020
- Immunization strategies/policy: catch-up, flu, COVID-19
- Refining guidance re: testing of HCWs in practices
- MIS-C (Multi-System Inflammatory Syndrome in Children)
- AAP-VT Task Force
- Continue to follow developments in telehealth/telephone coverage
- Health care “restart” details
- Summer camps/other recreational activities
- OneCare Vermont all-payer model adjustments
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)?


Next CHAMP call: **Wednesday, June 10, 12:15-12:45** (same webinar/call information – invitation to follow)

Please tune in to VMS call with Commissioner Levine:

*Tomorrow, Tuesday, June 9, 12:15-12:45*

Phone: 1-802-552-8456

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