

VCHIP / CHAMP / VDH COVID-19 UPDATES



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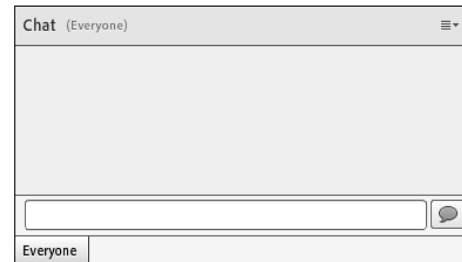
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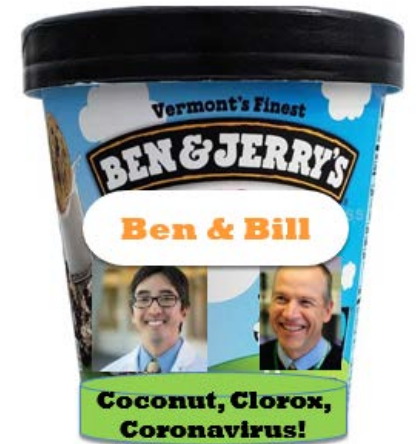
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Overview

- Today is Be A Kid Again Day
 - ▣ National Freezer Pop Day & National Ice Cream Sundae Day
- **REVISED CHAMP-VDH calls: Mon., Wed. & Friday**
- **Note: Governor's Media Briefings now Tues/Fri.**
 - ▣ VMS call with Commissioner Levine now **Thursdays**
- Situation, VDH and AAP, Media Briefing updates
- Practice Issue: **Update on COVID-19 Testing in Vermont**
Shayla Livingston, Public Health Policy Advisor, VDH
- 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

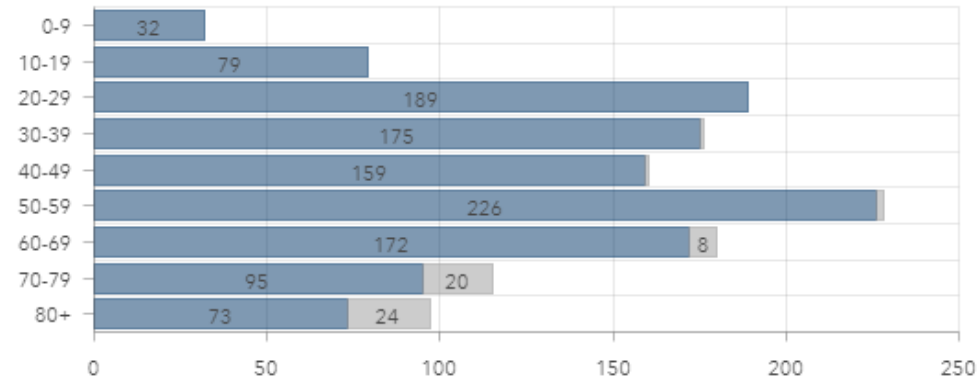
Total Cases	1,256 2 New
Currently Hospitalized	2
Hospitalized Under Investigation	12
Total People Recovered	1,049
Deaths	56
People Tested	71,756
Travelers Monitored	1,761
Contacts Monitored	42
People Completed Monitoring	2,504
Last Updated: 7/8/2020, 11:19:03 AM	

- Pop-up testing sites through July: many “events full” with some openings remaining later in the month.

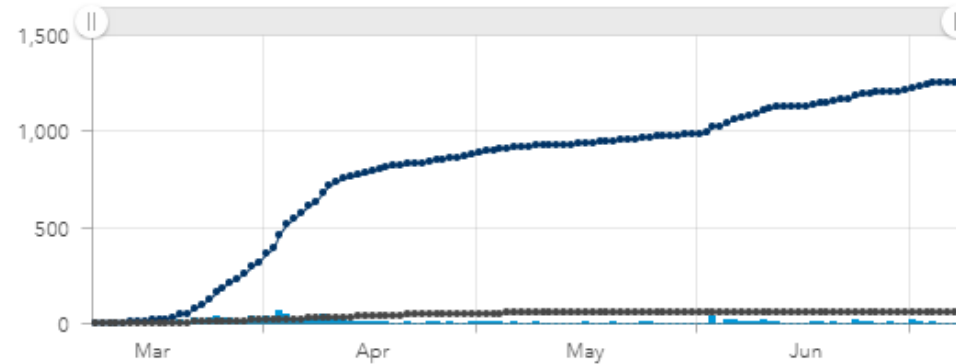
<https://www.healthvermont.gov/response/coronavirus-covid-19/current-activity-vermont#dashboard>

Situation update

COVID-19 **Cases** and Deaths by Age Group



Vermont COVID-19 **New** and **Cumulative** Cases, Cumulative Deaths



Hover over chart to see values, and drag scrollbar at top of chart to zoom into date range

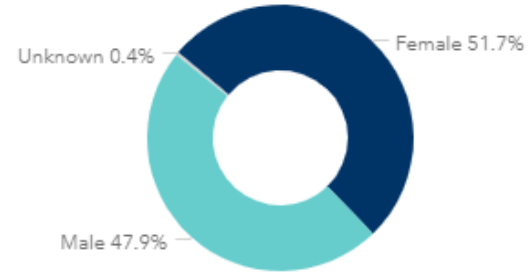


Cases and Deaths by Date and Age

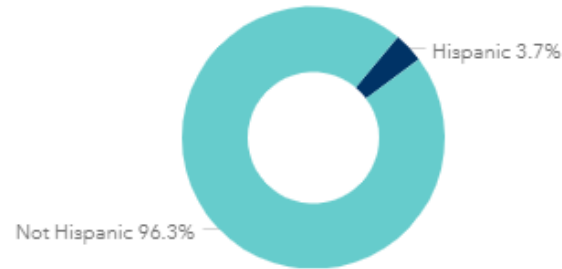


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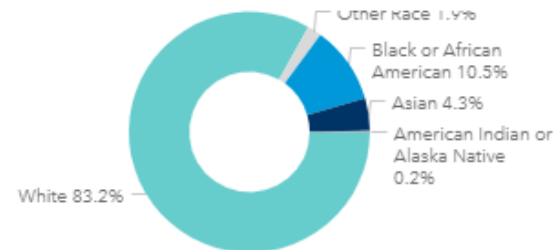
COVID-19 Positive Cases by Sex



COVID-19 Positive Cases by Ethnicity if Known



COVID-19 Positive Cases by Race if Known



Hover over charts to see values



Cases by Sex, Ethnicity and Race



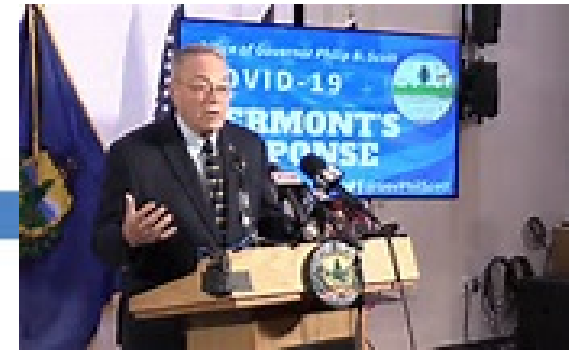
Tuesday Media Briefing (7/7/20)



Governor Scott:

- Working with higher education leaders for several weeks to “welcome back students to campuses in a safe way.”
- Task Force Chair: Richard Schneider, former president, Norwich University
 - ▣ Suresh Garimella, President, University of Vermont
 - ▣ Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont Independent Colleges
 - ▣ Sophie Zdatny, Chancellor, Vermont State Colleges System
- Many unique challenges – will continue to monitor data and rely on health experts.
- “In-person education is critical to teach and train future workers.”
- Commissioner Levine: contact tracing, water safety.

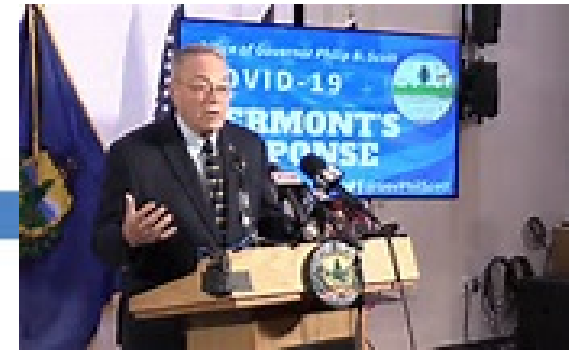
Media Briefing (7/7/20)



Richard Schneider, Task Force Chair:

- Aim: “make Vermont the safest state in which to go to college.”
 - ▣ Goal: avoid sending students home again, as we did in March.
- Primary objective: keep students, faculty and staff **safe**.
- This is the next generation workforce’s “normal” – need to learn this now.
- SEE ACCD RESTART web page: ***Safe & Healthy Return to Campus***
- These are **mandatory minimum guidelines**; schools may be **more** strict
- 3 major themes:
 - ▣ Decrease risk of infected individuals from entering – using effective PH policies.
 - ▣ Decrease transmission through effective PH measures
 - ▣ Quickly identify those w/COVID19, containment process, minimize impact to others.

Media Briefing (7/7/20)



Richard Schneider (cont'd.):

- ❑ Aggressive health screening for students, faculty, staff
- ❑ Reduce # of visitors: on arrival day, NO visitors in dorm systems. May bring 2 visitors, but must adhere to quarantine policies.
- ❑ Sign health/safety contract – will hold students accountable.
 - ❑ UVM: “The Green and Gold Promise”
- ❑ Test all students at beginning of school year and daily health monitoring
- ❑ Reduce density in dining halls (e.g. takeout or scheduled pickup times) – “we have to feed them (safely)!”
- ❑ Reduce density in classrooms – one of hardest issues.
- ❑ Modify academic calendars (e.g., term ends by Thanksgiving)

Vermont Youth Summer Opportunity (*Deadline: 7/10/20*)

Apply at: bit.ly/VTadvisory

SUMMER ADVISORY GROUP

Join other young people to make recommendations for legislation that would create **Vermont's First Elected Statewide Youth Council.**

\$ Youth Advisory members will be paid up to \$200 for their time **\$**

APPLY TODAY!

bit.ly/VTadvisory

Imagine a council made up of young people from all across the state. They come together to discuss important topics, learn skills and most importantly advise the Governor and the General Assembly on policies that impact young people in Vermont.

This Summer Advisory Group will be meeting to shape legislation that will be the founding document for the statewide youth council. The Advisory Group will also be instrumental in determining what the duties and powers are of the council, and discuss strategy on how to move legislation forward

We need your voice in order to make this a reality. Please consider applying today!



JULY 14 3-4:30
(REPRESENTATION & INCLUSION)

JULY 21 3-4:30
(MEMBER SELECTION)

JULY 28 3-4:30
(FOCUS AREAS)

AUGUST 4 3-4:30
(PREPARATION AND SUPPORT)

SEPTEMBER TBD
(COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH)

OCTOBER TBD
(CONNECTING WITH LEGISLATORS)

DATES & TOPICS

Drowning Prevention – July Campaigns

AAP

- Drowning Prevention Toolkit

- <https://www.aap.org/en-us/about-the-aap/aap-press-room/campaigns/drowning-prevention/Pages/default.aspx>

- Includes info- and social media graphics (calling all Tweetiatricians!)

VDH campaign

- SEE VDH FB page throughout July (partnering with SafeKids)

- “Water watchers”: <https://www.safekids.org/infographic/facts-about-kids-and-danger-drowning>

Drowning Prevention Resources

Infographics



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Pool Safety

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Water Safety Tips for New Parents

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Infographic
Water Safety When Your Child Is
Crawling

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Water Safety When Your Child Is
Walking

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Water Safety When You Have a Curious Toddler

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Water Safety for Teens

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Practice Issues



Update on COVID-19 Testing in Vermont

Shayla Livingston, Public Health Policy Advisor

Testing Team, Health Operations Center, VDH



TESTING FOR COVID-19

IF YOU:	HERE'S HOW TO GET TESTED
have symptoms of COVID-19 	contact your health care provider to ask about a test
are in quarantine because of travel guidance	contact your health care provider to ask about a test on or after day 7 of quarantine
are in quarantine because you are a close contact of someone with COVID-19 	contact your health care provider to ask about a test on or after day 7 of quarantine
need a test to prepare for a medical procedure	arrange a test through the health care provider who is doing your procedure
have no symptoms and are not in quarantine	register at a community-based site or a pop-up location (see below)

All Things Testing Updates

- Anterior Nares test kit access/ordering updates
- Update on commercial testing
 - ▣ Walmart
 - ▣ ClearChoice
 - ▣ Pharmacies
 - ▣ Urgent Care
 - ▣ Other sites?
- Cost of testing

All Things Testing: Gaps

- How to get Out of State Visitors tested?
- How are results shared ?
 - ▣ Update on communication

Topics We Are Following

- School and college/university reopening guidance and progress
- AAP-VT Task Force on Race and Health Equity
- Immunization strategies/policy: catch-up, flu, COVID-19 (?)
- Health care “restart” details, incl. telehealth/telephone coverage
 - ▣ Federal and state plans for COVID-19 financial relief
- MIS-C (Multi-System Inflammatory Syndrome in Children)
- Summer camps/other recreational activities
- OneCare Vermont all-payer model adjustments

Questions/Discussion

- Q & A Goal: monitor/respond in real time; record/disseminate/revisit later as needed.
- **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:**
https://www.med.uvm.edu/vchip/projects/vchip_champ_vdh_covid-19_updates
- Next CHAMP call: **Friday, July 10, 12:15-12:45** (current schedule: Mon/Wed/Friday)
- Please tune in to VMS call with Commissioner Levine:
Now on THURSDAYS: July 9, 12:30-1:00 p.m. – NEW (Zoom) platform & call information:
- **Join Zoom Meeting:**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86726253105?pwd=VkVuNTJlZFQ2R3diSVdqdJlJ2ZG4yQT09>
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