

## Week in Review December 21, 2020

# **Continuing Education!**

http://www.immunizedelaware.org/for-professionals/continuing-education-events/

#### 2020 Communicable Disease Summit

Enduring education for the 2020 Summit is available! **3.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits**<sup>™</sup> will be available until February 9, 2021!

#### Views on the Flu: Maximizing Vaccine Opportunities in the COVID-19 Era

This Independent Medscape Educational Webinar is now available for physician registration at <u>https://www.medscape.org/viewarticle/937531</u>. Presenters Kenneth Alexander, MD, PhD and Rachel Caskey, MD, MAAP identify and discuss effective strategies to maximize influenza vaccination in clinical practice during the COVID-19 pandemic and to improve clinicans' knowledge as it relates to influenza vaccination. The webinar will be active until 9/18/21 and is accredited for 0.5 continuing education credits, points, and contact hours (see site for details).

## 2019 Novel Coronavirus:

CDC Situation Summary: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

**COVIDView:** A weekly surveillance summary of US COVID-19 activity: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/covid-data/covidview.html</u> (*Note: due to new reporting procedures, CDC data may be out of date*)

Confirmed Cases -

Within 50 United States		Worldwide Cases	
Total	17,848,395	Total	76,928,774
Deaths	317,684	Deaths	1,695,307
Recovered	10,622,082	Recovered	43,383,434

Delaware (https://de.gov/coronavirus)

- Cases: 50,616 (NCC 29,126; KC 7,910; SC 13,460)
- Hospitalizations: 410, critical: 66, deaths: 862
- Delaware Specific COVID-Vaccine Information (de.gov/covidvaccine)
- DPH Announces arrival of 7,800 doses of the Pfizer vaccine (DPH)

United States

 Investigational COVID-19 therapeutics to be evaluated in large clinical trials (<u>NIH</u>)

- Moderna vaccine is highly protective against COVID-19, the FDA finds (<u>NYT</u>)
- NIH observational study of coronavirus infection and multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children begins (<u>NIH</u>)

- Poll: Americans are growing less reluctant to take COVID-19 Vaccine (<u>NPR</u>) World

- Exclusive: Kids catch and spread coronavirus half as much as adults, Iceland study finds (<u>Science</u>)
- More EU nations ban travel from UK, fearing virus variant (USNews)
- South Africa says new strain driving resurgence (USNews)

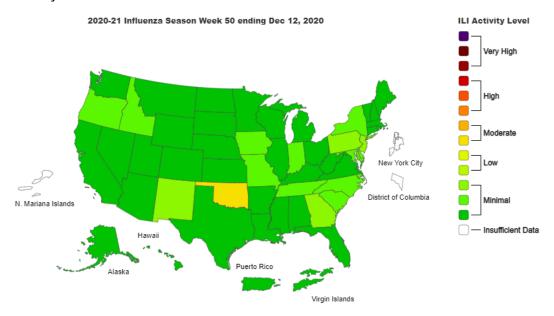


# 2020-2021 Flu Season

#### Week 50 (December 6 - 12, 2020)

#### **United States**

Seasonal influenza activity in the United States remains lower than usual for this time of year.



#### **Delaware (Sporadic)**

There have been zero laboratory confirmed cases of influenza in Delaware this week.

Location	This Week	2020-2021 Season
Statewide	0	3
New Castle	0	0
Kent	0	2

Sussex	0	1
Subtype		
A/2009 H1N1	0	0
A/2012 H3N2	0	0
A/no subtype	0	0
Co-infection	0	0
B/Yamagata	0	0
B/Victoria	0	0
B/no subtype	0	3
Hospitalizations	0	0
Deaths	0	0

### Flu Clinics

Delaware Division of Public Health Flu Clinics can be found by visiting <u>flu.delaware.gov</u>, or checking out the information below. <u>Beebe</u> and <u>Tidal</u> <u>Health</u> are also holding their own clinics.

This week:

- Adams, Hudson, Milford, Porter, Shipley, and Williams State Service Centers, by appointment only, Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.
- TidalHealth Immediate Care (Walk-in)
  - o 100 Rawlins Dr., Seaford (302-536-5415)
  - o 503 W. Market St., Georgetown (302-856-7099)
  - o 30549 Sussex Hwy., Laurel (302-715-5214)

# EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES®

**December 2020** – Volume 26, Number 12 – Zoonotic Infections <u>https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid</u>

WHO Disease Outbreak News (www.who.int/csr/don/en/)

- 12/03: SARS-CoV-2 Mink-Associated Variant Strain - Denmark

CDC Current Outbreak List (https://www.cdc.gov/outbreaks/index.html)

Travel Notices

- December

- Mauritania Rift Valley Fever
- COVID-19 Very High: Dominican Republic, Equatorial Guinea, Kosovo, Guinea-Bissau, Senegal, Uruguay
- o COVID-19 Moderate: Hong Kong, Mongolia, Rwanda, Turks and Caicos
- COVID-19 Low: Equatorial Guinea

# From the Immunization Action Coalition





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ACIP's Interim Recommendation on Allocating COVID-19 Vaccine (<u>Special Edition</u>) FDA Issues EUA for Pfizer-BioNTech mRNA Vaccine (<u>Special Edition</u>) Ask the Experts: <u>October 2020</u>

## In other news...

- A parasitic infection that can turn fatal with administration of corticosteroids (WHO)
- Naegleria fowleri study: PAM incidence remained stable (ONR)
- Parana state reports second H1N2v influenza case (ONR)

If you have something you would like to see added to the ICD's Week in Review, please e-mail <u>ksmith@delamed.org</u>.