

# Week in Review

March 29, 2021

## **Continuing Education!**

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

**Overview of vaccine science: existing evidence and lessons from COVID-19**. Join the National Academies as the committee discusses the basic and translational science that underpins influenza vaccine research and development. Topics to be discussed include an overview of vaccine platforms, the effects of repeat immunization, and a summary of progress being made towards a universal influenza vaccine. The experts will also focus their discussion on lessons learned from COVID-19 and apply these principles to influenza vaccine development processes.

Tuesday, March 30, 2021 from 3:00 – 6:00pm ET Register <u>here</u>

#### **COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Information**

Want to administer the COVID-19 vaccine? Find out how here: <u>https://coronavirus.delaware.gov/vaccine/vaccine-information-for-medical-providers/</u>

#### 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/index.html</u>

Confirmed Cases -

Delaware		Within 50 United States		Worldwide Cases	
Total	94,062	Total	30,262,593	Total	127,258,173
Deaths	1,544	Deaths	549,335	Deaths	2,785,286

Delaware (https://myhealthycommunity.dhss.delaware.gov/locations/state)

- NCC 54,815; KC 15,393; SC 23,651
- Hospitalizations: 128, critical: 13
- Delaware Specific COVID-Vaccine Information (de.gov/covidvaccine)
- Delaware Vaccine Release Tracker (MyHealthyCommunity)
  - Delaware is currently vaccinating persons aged 50 years and older, persons aged 16-64 with high and moderate risk factors, non-paid/family

caregivers of eligible 16-64 year-olds, frontline and other essential employees

• As of 3/28/2021, Delaware has administered 433,516 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine (152,054 are fully vaccinated)

United States

- COVID-19 <u>vaccines</u> may not produce sufficient antibody response in transplant patients
- Evidence that novel coronavirus infects the mouth's cells (NIH)
- How COVID-19 affects the brain (JAMA)
- Impact of the influenza vaccine on COVID-19 infection rates and severity (AJIC)
- US vaccination campaign gains steam as White House speeds shipments

World

- <u>Antiviral drugs</u> tilorone, quinacrine, and pyronaridine potentially effective against COVID-19
- WHO report says animals likely source of COVID

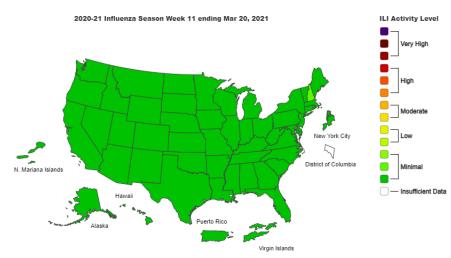


# 2020-2021 Flu Season

#### Week 11 (March 14 - 20, 2021)

#### **United States**

Seasonal influenza activity in the United States remains lower than usual for this time of year. ILI activity levels may be impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and should be interpreted with caution.



#### Delaware (Sporadic)

There have been 21 laboratory confirmed cases of influenza in Delaware so far this season.

Location	This Week	2020-2021 Season
Statewide	0	21
New Castle	1	4
Kent	0	13
Sussex	0	4
Hospitalizations	0	1
Deaths	0	1

#### Flu News

# EMERGING **INFECTIOUS DISEASES**<sup>®</sup>

April 2021 – Volume 27, Number 4 – High-Consequence Pathogens https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid

# WHO Disease Outbreak News (https://www.who.int/emergencies/disease-

outbreak-news)

3/26: Global Update - Circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 2

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

- Listeria Hispanic-style fresh and soft cheeses -
- Salmonella Small Turtles

## **Travel Notices**

- March
  - COVID-19, Very High Isle of Man
  - o COVID-19, High Guam, Azerbaijan, Japan, Equatorial Guinea, Sudan
  - o COVID-19, Moderate Iceland, Thailand, Uganda, Mauritania, Trinidad and Tobago, Rwanda, Northern Mariana Islands, Benin
  - o COVID-19, Low Grenada, the Faroe Islands, Bhutan, Uganda
  - COVID-19, Unknown Pitcairn Islands
  - 0 Ebola – Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guinea
  - Monkeypox Democratic Republic of the Congo 0

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#### In other news...

- Avian influenza events in Germany: no sign of ending
- CDC affirms extended support in DRC, Guinea to eradicate Ebola
- Equine herpes outbreak in Europe

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