



Coronavirus Clinical Practice Recommendations for
Virtua Health Affiliated Practices

Updated 3/30/2020



Agenda & Panelists

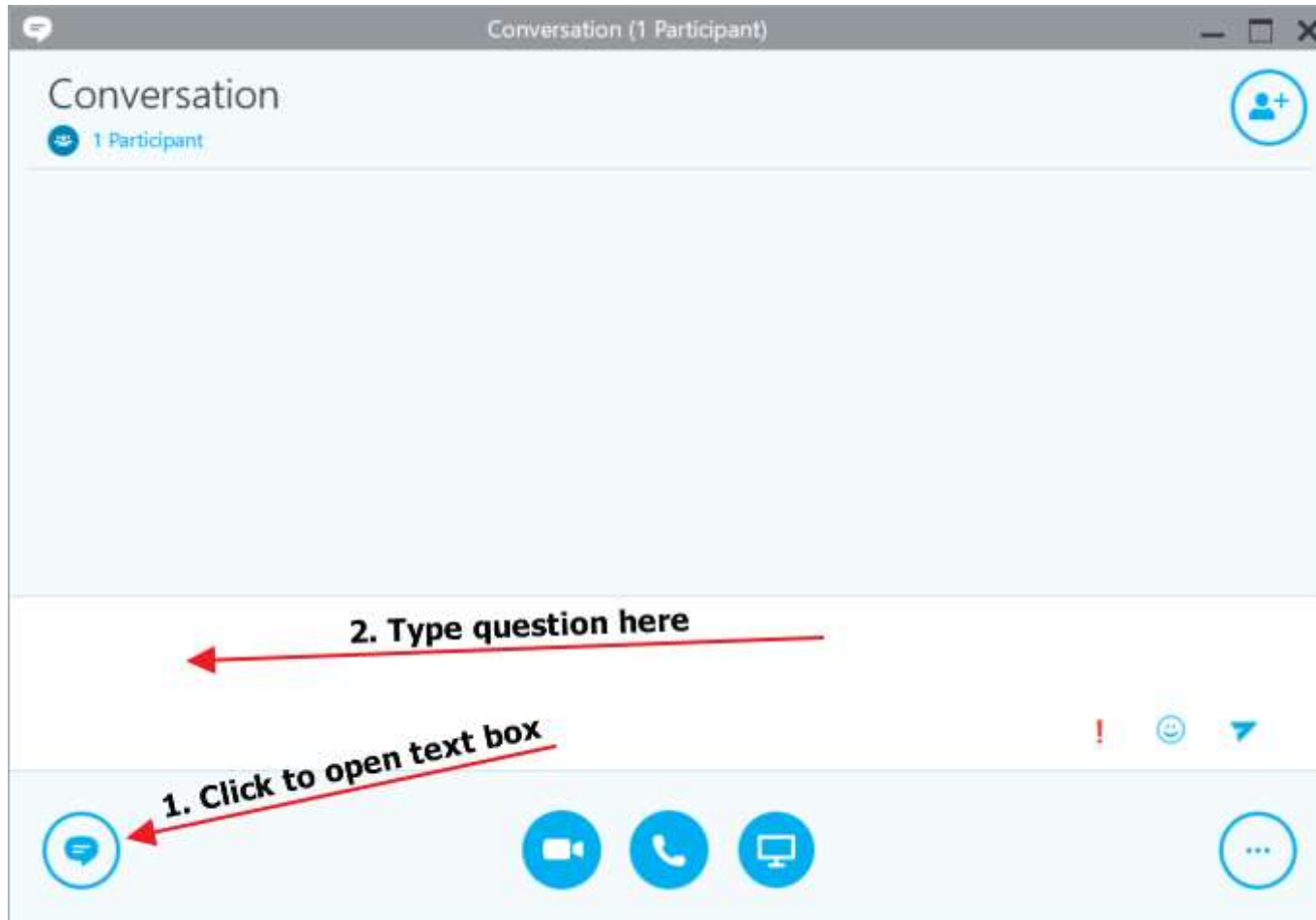
- Introductions
- Current State of Events
- Q & A



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Best Way to Ask a Question



Over the Last Week

Global

Total Confirmed

351,731

720,117

104.7% increase



National

Confirmed per Country/Region

81,496 China

59,138 Italy

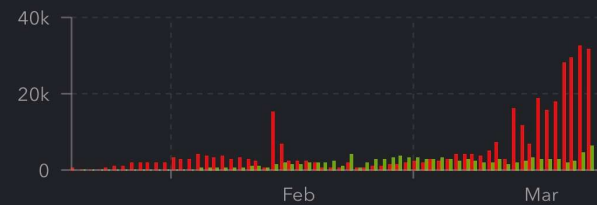
35,241 US

33,089 Spain

26,220 Germany

140,886

300% increase



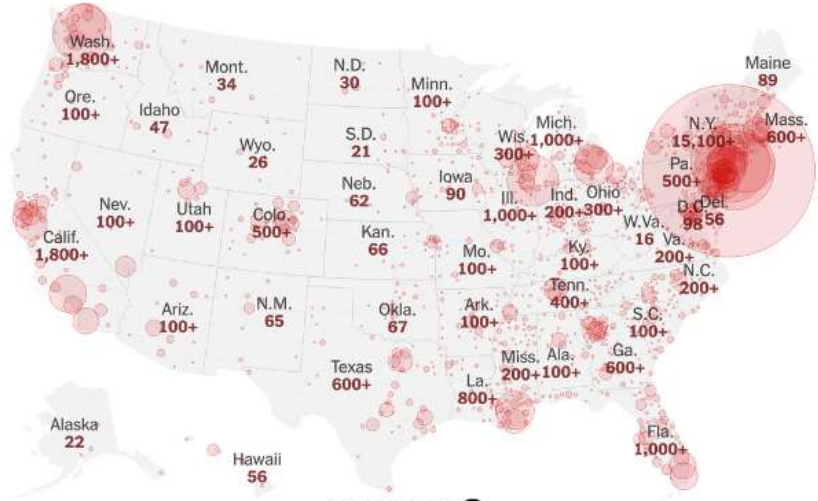
New Confirmed (red dot) New Recovered (green dot)

Over the Last Week

New Jersey, US
Confirmed: **1,914**
Deaths: **21**



13,386 Confirmed Cases 599% increase	161 Deaths 667% increase
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- World Map
- U.S. Cases
- Markets
- Photos

Courtesy of NY Times



Over the Last Week

As of 3/23/2020 at 9:30 AM

56

Confirmed Cases:
26 Cases Burlington Co
22 Cases Camden Co
8 Cases Gloucester Co

As of 3/29/2020 at 8:30 PM

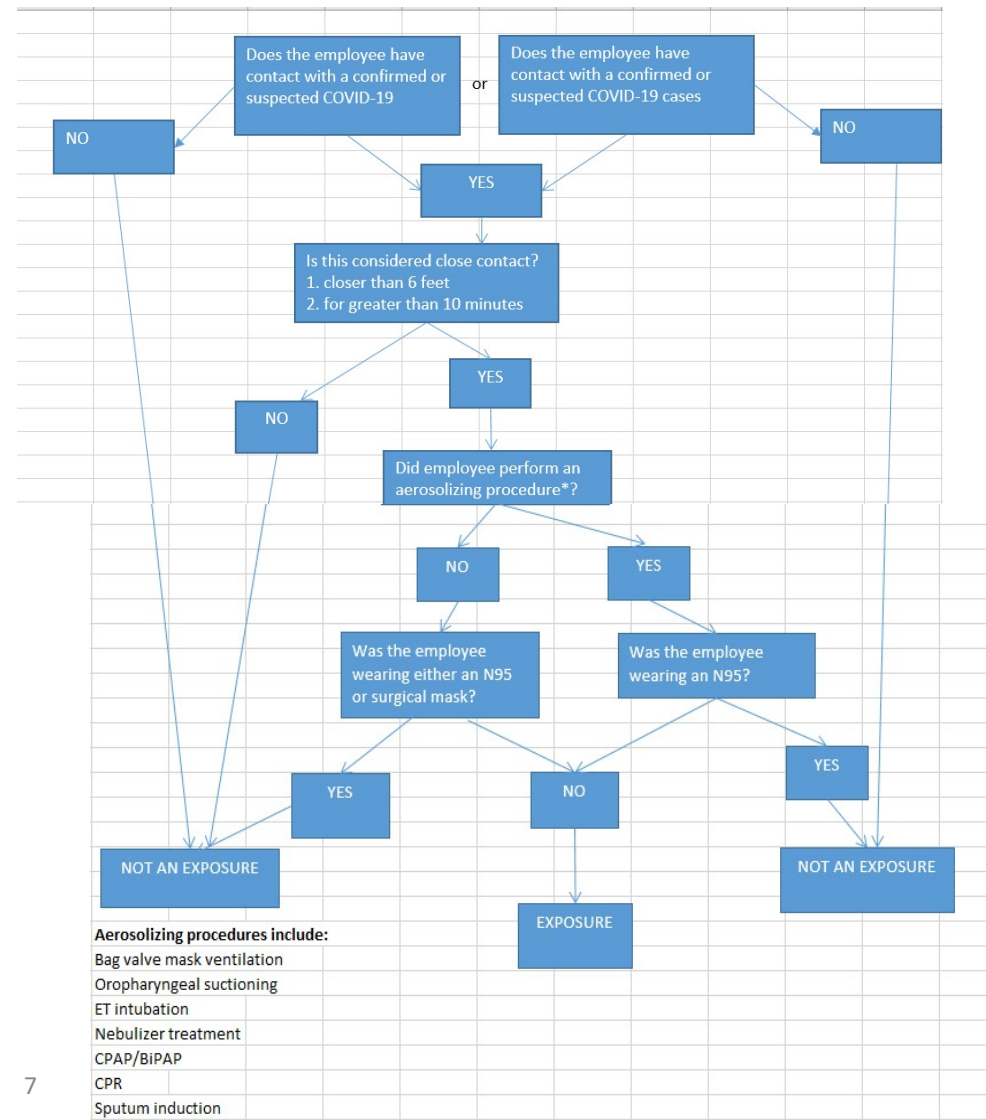
377

Confirmed Cases:
142 Cases Burlington Co
163 Cases Camden Co
72 Cases Gloucester Co

573% increase in regional cases

Identifying an Potential Exposure amongst your Employees

- Key determinant of being a close contact is
 - Closer than 6 feet for greater than 10 minutes
- If + close contact, determine if employee performed an aerosolizing procedure
 - Nasopharyngeal or Oropharyngeal swabbing is **NOT** an aerosolizing procedure



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- Video visit with physician or advanced practice clinician
- Encounter recording into Epic and note routed to PCP
- eVisit providers follow the latest Virtua protocols as posted on Digital411
 - eVisit providers can order COVID testing for appropriate patients at Virtua Drive-Thru Center

Sign In to Virtua eVisits

Covid-19 (Coronavirus) Telemedicine Consultations
Our hours of operations are weekdays from 9am – 9pm
And weekends/holidays from 9am – 5pm

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Available during regularly scheduled practice hours by appointment

If you think you may have a medical emergency, call your doctor or 911 immediately.

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Policy Changes

Virtua Surgical Leadership has decided that we will NOT perform laparoscopic or robotic surgery as of Tuesday, March 31

1. Recommendations may change when immediate widespread rapid turnaround testing becomes more available.
2. All surgical patients should be screened preop using a screening tool. We will implement such screening in our preop areas.
3. For COVID-19 positive, suspected, or at risk untested patients, laparoscopic surgery should not be performed.
4. For known positive COVID-19 tested patients:
 - Urgent surgery should be delayed, if possible, until the infection clears, and alternate strategies should be employed when possible (e.g. antibiotics, percutaneous drainage). If impossible to delay, these surgeries should be performed via laparotomy.
 - Emergency surgeries not amenable to non-surgical management should be performed via laparotomy rather than minimally invasive surgery requiring pneumoperitoneum, using full PPE for all staff in the room.
5. For patients with positive screens but no testing:
 - Emergency and urgent surgeries should be done via laparotomy. If Infection Control recommends enhanced droplet precautions, full PPE should be used for all personnel in the room, if available.
6. For known COVID-19 negative (tested) patients:
 - This is a moot point for now, since we do not have any way of knowing if a patient is COVID-19 negative on the day of surgery. Laparoscopy will be an option when we can identify who is in this group.
7. For untested patients with negative preop screening for all variables
 - Laparoscopy will be an option when we have adequate supplies of N95 masks and full PPE for all OR personnel. It is not an option at the present time



Question and Answer Session



Resources for Virtua Affiliated Clinicians

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Digital 411 Access **Featured Items** **Additional Resources**

- Video Quick Tips and Education
- Tech Support and Requirements
- Report a Problem
- ONEVirtua 2020
- Coronavirus Update



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CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Coronavirus Provider Recommendations

- COVID-19 Algorithm March 24
- Self-Isolation Directions
- Discontinuation of Self-Isolation

Coronavirus Webinar Series

- March 26 Covid Webinar Slides
- March 24 Covid Webinar Slides
- March 19 Covid Webinar Slides
- March 16 Covid Webinar Slides
- March 11_Covid Webinar Slides

Coronavirus Update Newsletters

- COVID-19 Provider Update March 26
- COVID Provider Update March 24
- Coronavirus Provider Update March 20, 2020
- Coronavirus Provider Update March 16, 2020
- Coronavirus Update 11
- Issue 9 - March 19
- Issue 8 - March 18

Medical Staff/Virtua Affiliated Physicians

- Radiology Services March 27
- Dr. Topiel Letter
- Updated Virtua Visitor Guidelines
- PPE request template
- My-EOP directions PDF
- Coronavirus Card: Deaf and Hard of Hearing Patients
- CDC Clean Hands Count
- CDC Handwashing Fact Sheet
- Message from Medical Staff Presidents March 18, 2020

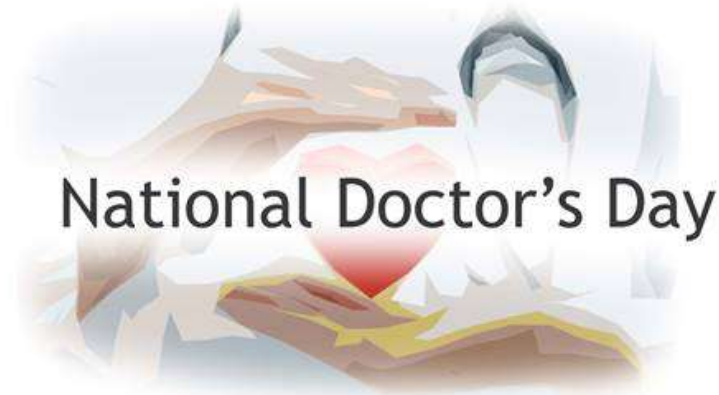
Informational Videos

- Who needs to be tested for COVID-19? (Jennifer Khelil, DO, MBA)
- This is how staying at home and social distancing will flatten the curve. (Tarun Kapoor, MD)
- What you need to know about the coronavirus pandemic and how Virtua Health is preparing. (Dennis Pullin, FACHE)
- My-EOP video instructions
- Message from Dr. Reginald Blaber on March 5
- Talking to Patients and Staff about COVID-19

COVID-19 IT Enhancements

- COVID-19 IT Enhancements
- Provider COVID OnDemand eVisit Workflow

celebrate



National Doctor's Day

There couldn't be a more appropriate time to recognize the people who, at this very moment, are putting themselves in harm's way for the greater good of our communities. The people who put their lives on hold when they get a call in the middle of the night, the people who offer words of encouragement or comfort when we are at our most vulnerable. And the people, without whom, our world would be a much darker place.

