

COVID-19 Provider Update
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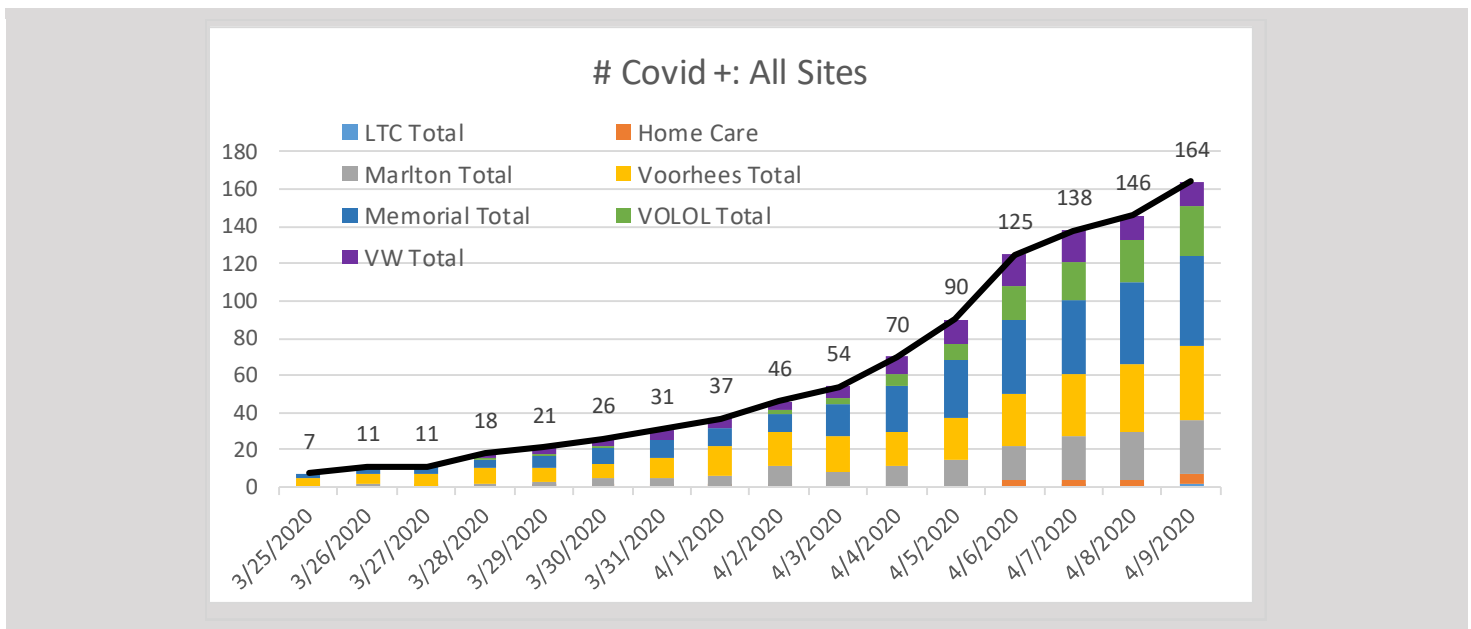
By the Numbers

The following charts reflect the latest figures for statewide, regional and Virtua-site cases of COVID-19 and related response efforts.

NEW JERSEY		VIRTUA HEALTH	
New Cases	3,590	Total Cases	164 (+18)
Total Cases	51,027	Rule Outs/Patients Under Investigation (PUIs)	56 (-10)
New Deaths	196	COVID % of Census	28%
Total Lives Lost	1,700		
Recovered	206		

Dashboard and Snapshot of Data

As you see from the tables and graphs, the number of COVID-19 patients is increasing in New Jersey. We will continue to provide transparency into the impact on Virtua, as the information helps us manage decisions around staffing, PPE, supplies, capacity, and other important resources. It is important to note that we expect COVID-19 patients to increase and rule outs to decline in the near future, as we are getting more rapid test results from our labs. Currently, COVID-19 + and rule outs comprise 28% of our inpatient census.



Will You Be a Light?

To help bring messages of hope and solidarity as we struggle with the COVID-19 pandemic, we’re encouraging people across South Jersey and beyond to light up the night through our “Be a Light” initiative.

We're asking people to place a light — or many lights — to shine outside their home in support of first responders, health care workers, and all others affected.

"Whether it's a lamp in a window, a string of bulbs on a porch, or a driveway lined with luminaria, these lights will brighten everyone's life. The more people who participate, the brighter we will all shine," noted Chrisie Scott, Virtua's senior VP and chief marketing officer.

We also encourage you to light up social media with photos of your lights, accompanied by these hashtags: #BeALight, #UniteTheNight, and #HereForGood. In addition, if you tag @VirtuaHealth, we will be able to share your post.

"Let's show our solidarity and lift up all of our first responders, health care heroes, and neighbors through this crisis," she urged. "Let's light up the night every night to remind each other of brighter days ahead."

We Are Gratefully Accepting Video Baby Monitors

With COVID-19 cases on the rise, and social distancing the only weapon to fight the pandemic, health care workers are becoming increasingly creative. With the goal of limiting risky interactions with patients, while preserving equipment already in short supply in mind, there is a solution that will help go a long way — video baby monitors. By minimizing the number of times our clinicians have to enter an isolation room, baby monitors will still allow us maintain a personal connection with our patients, while having fewer high-risk interactions as well as preserving personal protective equipment.

We will gratefully accept video baby monitors and will put them to excellent use at our surge ICU locations. Please leave your baby monitor donation at any of our Virtua nursing offices. Thank you for your continued support.

Donations Coordination Update

Businesses and community members are continuing to reach out to Virtua, offering ways to support and donate supplies, which now include water, wrapped snacks, and other non-perishable food items. Virtua is happy to accept these donations. If you or someone you know would like to donate these items, please contact Tiffany Bennett from Volunteer Services at 856-520-0169.

Additionally, Virtua is continuing to gratefully accept donations of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) — masks, face shields, gowns, and gloves — all of which are essential to delivering care for those with suspected or confirmed COVID-19. Visit foundation.virtua.org/coronavirus/supplies for additional details.

We've established a direct email to assist with triaging donations as we call upon our community of supporters for donations of the medical supplies listed above. For safety, these items must be unopened/unused. We gratefully will accept curbside drop-off at 20 W. Stow Road, in Marlton. Please send any questions about PPE donations to COVIDhelp@virtua.org.

Also, in response to monetary gestures of generosity, we have set up a Coronavirus Emergency Fund for online donations. Gifts of all sizes will have tremendous impact as we respond to the virus, and do all we can to meet the growing needs of the community. If you wish to make a gift for this purpose, you may do so by visiting www.GivetoVirtua.org/Coronavirus.