

## **White House Call with State, Local, and Tribal Association on 3/12/2020 Follow up email - resources**

As a reminder, the best resource for up-to-date information and guidance is [www.coronavirus.gov](http://www.coronavirus.gov). Please also see CDC's recently released [Framework for Mitigation](#) outlining non-pharmaceutical interventions to help slow transmission of the virus in communities.

## **State, Local, Tribal Associations Call on COVID-19 Summary**

Today, 23 State, local and tribal associations joined today's call. Please see each association's website for information on their COVID-19 efforts.

### **National Governors Association (NGA)**

- [www.NGA.org](http://www.NGA.org)

### **National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL)**

- NCSL Covid-19 resource page: <https://www.ncsl.org/research/health/ncsl-coronavirus-covid-19-resources.aspx>
- NCSL tracking page on state legislation: <https://www.ncsl.org/research/health/state-action-on-coronavirus-covid-19.aspx>

### **American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)**

- <https://www.transportation.org/>

### **US Conference of Mayors**

- <https://www.usmayors.org/>

### **National League of Cities (NLC)**

- <https://www.nlc.org/>

### **National Association of Counties (NACo)**

- <https://www.naco.org/resources/coronavirus>

### **National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG)**

- <https://www.naag.org/>

### **Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)**

- <https://www.astho.org/>

### **Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO)**

- <https://ccsso.org/>

### **National Emergency Management Association (NEMA)**

- <https://www.nemaweb.org/>

### **National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS)**

- <https://www.nass.org/>

**National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)**

- <http://www.ncai.org/>

**International City/County Management Association (ICMA)**

- <https://icma.org/>

**International Association of Fire Chiefs**

- <https://www.iafc.org/>

**National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA)**

- <https://www.nasda.org/>

**National Association of State Workforce Agencies (NASWA)**

- <https://www.naswa.org/>

**National Association of County Engineers (NACE)**

- <https://www.countyengineers.org/>

**National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC)**

- <https://content.naic.org/>

**National Council of Urban Indian Health (NCUIH)**

- <https://www.ncuih.org/index>

**National Sheriffs Association (NSA)**

- <https://www.sheriffs.org/>

**National Lieutenant Governors Association (NLGA)**

- <https://nlga.us/>

**The Council of State Governments (CSG)**

- <https://www.csg.org/>

**United South and Eastern Tribes (USET) Sovereignty Protection Fund**

- <https://www.usetinc.org/uset-sovereignty-protection-fund/>

## **Recent Announcements**

**Presidential Proclamation To Protect the Homeland from Travel-Related Coronavirus Spread**

On Thursday, March 12, President Donald J. Trump signed a [Presidential Proclamation](#), which suspends the entry of most foreign nationals who have been in certain European countries at any point during the 14 days prior to their scheduled arrival to the United States. These countries, known as the Schengen Area, include: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. *This does not apply to legal permanent residents, (generally) immediate family members of U.S. citizens, and other individuals who are identified in the proclamation.*

## **SBA To Provide Disaster Loans for Small Businesses Impacted by Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

On Thursday, March 12, SBA Administrator Jovita Carranza issued the following statement: “The President took bold, decisive action to make our 30 million small businesses more resilient to Coronavirus-related economic disruptions. Small businesses are vital economic engines in every community and state, and they have helped make our economy the strongest in the world. Our Agency will work directly with state Governors to provide targeted, low-interest disaster recovery loans to small businesses that have been severely impacted by the situation. Additionally, the SBA continues to assist small businesses with counseling and navigating their own preparedness plans through our network of 68 District Offices and numerous Resource Partners located around the country. The SBA will continue to provide every small business with the most effective and customer-focused response possible during these times of uncertainty.” SBA’s Economic Injury Disaster Loans offer up to \$2 million in assistance for a small business. These loans can provide vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing. More information can be found [here](#).

## **CDC to Award Over \$560 Million to State & Local Jurisdictions in Support of COVID-19 Response**

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is announcing another upcoming action by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to provide resources to state and local jurisdictions in support of our nation’s response to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The \$8.3 billion dollar Supplemental passed by Congress included [statutory language](#) which prescribed the exact formula for disbursing the money: states will receive 90% of their [2019 CDC PHEP grants](#). This marks the first tranche of funding to states from the \$8.3 billion supplemental. Your state health officers are receiving a letter today from CDC outlining what is needed to receive the funding, essentially they need to submit a spend plan and they will receive guidance on what that spend plan should contain. More [here](#).

## **CDC Releases Mitigation Framework for States, Localities, and Communities**

Protect yourself and your community from getting and spreading respiratory illnesses like coronavirus disease 2019. Everyone has a role to play in getting ready and staying healthy. CDC is aggressively responding to the global outbreak of COVID-19 and community spread in the United States. CDC’s all of community approach is focused to slow the transmission of COVID-19, reduce illness and death, while minimizing social and economic impacts. Framework includes: (i) Local Factors to Consider for Determining Mitigation Strategies, (ii) Community mitigation strategies by setting and by level of community transmission or impact of COVID-19, and (iii) Potential mitigation strategies for public health functions. More [here](#).

## **White House Coronavirus Task Force Announces Community Mitigation Strategies for Seattle-King, Pierce, and Snohomish C, WA Santa Clara, CA and New Rochelle, NY**

The White House Coronavirus Task Force has recommended community mitigation strategies for Seattle, Washington and Santa Clara County, California due to widespread transmission of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). These mitigation activities are designed to address the effects of COVID-19 on areas that are experiencing community spread. You can find the guidance for Seattle, Washington and Santa Clara, California [here](#). The Task Force also announced community mitigation strategies for New Rochelle, New York, which can be viewed [here](#).

## **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Nursing Home Guidance**

As you know, nursing homes and their residents are vulnerable populations for COVID-19. This week, CMS released updated guidance for infection control and prevention of COVID-19 in Nursing Homes which can be found [here](#) (3/9). The Press Release can be found [here](#) and all CMS guidance related to COVID-19 can be found [here](#).

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## COVID-19: Background & Additional Information



### **Background**

Under the leadership of President Trump and Vice President Pence, the full weight of the U.S. Government is working to protect the health and safety of the American people. Since the beginning of the outbreak, President Trump has taken unprecedented steps – including prudent travel restrictions and an early containment strategy – to protect the health of Americans in response to the coronavirus. In January, the President formed a Coronavirus Task Force, led by Vice President Mike Pence and comprised of subject-matter experts, to organize a whole-of-government response ([President Donald J. Trump Has Taken Unprecedented Steps to Respond To the Coronavirus and Protect the Health and Safety of Americans](#)). The Coronavirus Task Force and broader Administration have and will continue to work with State-Local-Tribal officials and private sector and non-profit partners in preparing for and responding to the Coronavirus. ***It is important to note that at this time, the risk to the average American remains low. All agencies are working aggressively to monitor this continuously evolving situation and to keep our partners and the public informed.***

### **Up-To-Date Information**

- The most up-to-date information and guidance can be found via the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Coronavirus Disease 2019 website ([here](#))
- HHS/CDC Community Framework for Mitigation ([here](#))
- Guidance for families, businesses, schools and others ([here](#)).
- The Coronavirus Task Force holds frequent national briefings which can be viewed live ([here](#))
- You are also encouraged to follow HHS, CDC, and other agency social media channels for up-to-date information.

### **What You Need To Know**

- What You Should Know - How COVID-19 Spreads, Symptoms, etc. ([here](#))

- Situation Summary ([here](#))
- Travel Information ([here](#))
- Preventing COVID-10 Spread in Communities ([here](#))
- Higher Risk & Special Populations ([here](#))
- Healthcare Professionals ([here](#))
- Resources for Healthcare Facilities ([here](#))
- Resources for Health Departments ([here](#))
- Laboratories ([here](#))
- Communication Resources ([here](#))

## **Agency Resources and Contact Information**

Below, please find agency-by-agency information, guidance, and contact information.

**Resources** – Below, please find agency-by-agency resources and guidance.

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services ([here](#))
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid ([here](#))
- U.S. Food & Drug Administration ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of Education ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of Agriculture ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of Labor ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of State ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs ([here](#))
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of the Interior ([here](#))
- U.S. Election Assistance Commission ([here](#))

**Contact Information** – Below, please find contact information for our Intergovernmental Affairs colleagues across the federal family. As State and local elected officials, they are your primary points of contact.

- U.S. Department of Health & Human Services: Darcie Johnston (Phone – 202-690-1058 / Email – [darcie.johnston@hhs.gov](mailto:darcie.johnston@hhs.gov))
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security: Cherie Short (Phone – 202-893-2941 / Email – [cherie.short@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:cherie.short@hq.dhs.gov))
- U.S. Department of State: Bill Killion (Phone – 202-647-7595 / Email – [killionw@state.gov](mailto:killionw@state.gov))
- U.S. Department of Transportation: Sean Poole (Office – 202-597-5109 / Cell – 202-366-3132 / Email – [sean.poole@dot.gov](mailto:sean.poole@dot.gov))
- U.S. Department of Education: Susan Falconer (Phone – 202-320-6837 / Email – [susan.falconer@ed.gov](mailto:susan.falconer@ed.gov))
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs: Thayer Verschoor (Phone – 202-461-7385 / Email – [Thayer.verschoor@va.gov](mailto:Thayer.verschoor@va.gov))
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: Britt Carter (Phone – 202-440-0728 / Email – [carter.brittanys@epa.gov](mailto:carter.brittanys@epa.gov))
- U.S. Small Business Administration: Ryan Lambert (Phone – 202-615-6570 / Email – [ryan.lambert@sba.gov](mailto:ryan.lambert@sba.gov))
- U.S. Department of Agriculture: Lillie Brady (Phone – 202-845-3872 / Email - [lillie.brady@usda.gov](mailto:lillie.brady@usda.gov))

## **Local Preparedness Tips**

- Response is locally executed, state managed, and federally supported.
- Ensuring clear, open lines of communication with the public and making information and guidance readily available.
- Proactively sharing and disseminating *verified and accurate* guidance and information such as HHS/CDC [guidance for families, businesses, and schools](#).
- Reviewing Federal guidance such as the HHS/CDC [Community Mitigation Framework](#).
- Coordinating with State and local health authorities.
- Reviewing local preparedness plans and strategies.

## **Recent Task Force Actions**

Below, please find pertinent updates on pertinent Administrations actions.

- Task Force Briefings (briefings are held on a frequent basis and can be viewed live [here](#))
  - March 10: [Video](#)
  - March 9: [Video](#)
  - March 6: [Video](#)
  - March 4: [Video](#)
  - March 2: [Video](#)
  - February 29: [Video](#)
- Remarks by President Trump and Vice President Pence at a Coronavirus Briefing with Health Insurers (March 10) ([transcript/video](#))
- Readout from the Vice President's Discussion with our Nation's Governors on COVID-19 Coordination & Preparedness (March 9) ([readout](#))
- Remarks by Vice President Pence in a Coronavirus Briefing with Cruise Line Executives and Port Directors (March 7) ([transcript](#))
- Remarks by President Trump After Tour of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (March 5) ([transcript](#))
- President Trump Signs the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020 (March 6) ([transcript/video](#))
- President Trump and Vice President Pence attend Coronavirus Briefing with Airline CEOs (March 4) ([transcript/video](#))
- Vice President Pence meets with Long-Term, Post-Acute and Palliative Care Provider Executives (March 4) ([transcript](#))
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Announces Actions to Address Spread of Coronavirus (March 4) (more [here](#))
- President Trump Visits the National Institutes of Health and attends Roundtable Briefing (March 3) ([transcript](#))
- Vice President Pence attends Coronavirus Briefing with Diagnostic Lab CEOs (March 4) ([transcript/video](#))
- Readout from the Vice President's Discussion with our Nation's Governors on COVID-19 Coordination & Preparedness ([readout](#))