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CORONAVIRUS

UPDATE

CDC

COVID-19 Update, 4\28

April 28, 2020 | [ARKMED.org/covid19](https://www.arkmed.org/covid19)

Status Update as of 4\28, from ADH Website:

[View the ADH COVID-19 Dashboard here.](#)

It will be updated four times a day.

- Confirmed cumulative cases in Arkansas - 3111
- Active cases - 2006
- Recovered patients - 1053
- Deaths - 52
- Patients in the hospital - 104
- Patients on ventilators - 20
- Healthcare workers - This number was not released today.

Antibody Testing Primer

With multiple versions of serum antibody test kits being promoted around the state, the Arkansas Department of Health wants to remind physicians that they do not support these test kits.

Largest Case Increase Locations: ADH Explains

We received a question this week about the location of new cases of COVID-19 and what the epidemiological studies were showing. Below is a response from Austin Porter III, DrPH, MPH, from the Arkansas Department of Health:

When looking at the PH regions, we are seeing about a 19% increase in the NW, NE, and Central regions. I have listed the counties in these regions with more than 10 cases and have had more than 30% increase in cases since the 21st.

- Craighead: 38.6%; 61 cases on the 26th
- Greene: 55.6%; 14 cases
- Lawrence: 51.9%; 41 cases
- Poinsett: 50%; 12 cases
- Conway: 100%; 10 cases
- Washington: 30.5%; 77 cases

Except for the Central region, the age group that has experienced the greatest growth in cases was among the 45-64 year-olds (~28% increase for both NW and NE). The Central region is seeing the greatest growth among 18-24 year-olds (37%), but they only account for 41 cases. The growth among the elderly (65+) in the NW and NE regions was about 13%; and 24% in the Central region.

Elective Surgery Call with ADH, Tomorrow



Wednesday, April 29
12 - 1 p.m.
866-708-7832
Conference
Code: 9689226215

AMS is hosting a conference call for all interested physicians to hear and discuss the state's plan to resume elective surgeries.

Dr. James Bledsoe from the Arkansas Department of Health will be available to answer your questions.

PPE Requests



If your clinic does not have PPE and is unable to obtain what you need from your normal supplier, [complete the online form](#).

Telemedicine



View the latest information from insurance carriers, HIPAA, and other sources on telemedicine during the COVID-19 crisis at [ARKMED.org/telemedicine](https://www.arkmed.org/telemedicine)

Financial Help



We've compiled all of the financial resources that you may need for your clinic or practice during the COVID-19 crisis at <https://www.arkmed.org/financial-assistance-during-covid-19/>.

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Got Questions? Let Us Help.

The Arkansas Medical Society is here to serve our physician members and their medical teams. On our website, we have a place that you can send us questions or share what you're experiencing. Visit [ARKMED.org/covid19](https://www.arkmed.org/covid19) and click on the Got Questions box. We will respond to your question as soon as possible. Thank you for your hard work and together we will make it through this crisis.

For more AMS COVID-19 Resources, visit [ARKMED.org/covid19](https://www.arkmed.org/covid19).

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