



COVID-19 Update, 11/11

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Status Update as of 11/10 from ADH Website:

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

- Total cumulative cases in Arkansas - 124,235
- New confirmed cases since 11/10 - 1,424
- Active cases - 7,466
- Recovered patients - 100,684
- Deaths - 2,112
- Patients in the hospital - 810
- Patients on ventilators - 127

New FAIR Health Study Uncovers Relationship between COVID-19 Comorbidities and Mortality

A new study from FAIR Health, in collaboration with the West Health Institute and Marty Makary, MD, MPH, from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, shows the relationship between preexisting comorbidities of COVID-19 and mortality in privately insured patients. The study has been released as a white paper entitled [Risk Factors for COVID-19 Mortality among Privately Insured Patients: A Claims Data Analysis](#). It has been featured prominently in the [New York Times](#), [STAT](#) and [Modern Healthcare](#).

Across all age groups, the top three comorbidity risk factors for death from COVID-19 were, in order from highest to lowest risk, developmental disorders (e.g., developmental disorders of speech and language, developmental disorders of scholastic skills, central auditory processing disorders), lung cancer, and intellectual disabilities and related conditions (e.g., Down syndrome and other chromosomal anomalies; mild, moderate, severe and profound intellectual disabilities; congenital malformations, such as certain disorders that cause microcephaly). As detailed in the white paper, these findings are supported by recent scientific literature.

[Read more here.](#)

CMS: Preparing for the COVID-19 Vaccines

From Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services - To get ready to administer the COVID-19 vaccine when it's available, read the [enrollment section](#) of our [COVID-19 provider toolkit](#) to see if you need to take action now:

- Many Medicare-enrolled providers don't have to take any action until a vaccine is available – make sure your provider-type enrollment is all set
- Some Medicare-enrolled providers must also separately enroll as a

- mass immunizer to administer and bill for COVID-19 vaccines when they're available – find out if you must also enroll as a mass immunizer
- If you're not a Medicare-enrolled provider, you must enroll as a mass immunizer or other Medicare provider type that can bill for administering vaccines

Enrolling over the phone a mass immunizer is easy and quick — call your MAC-specific [enrollment hotline \(PDF\)](#) and give your valid legal business name, national provider identifier, tax identification number, practice location, and state license, if applicable.

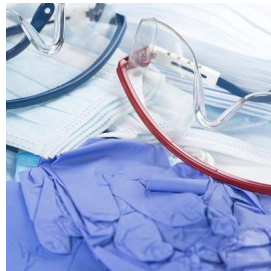
[Read more here.](#)

Take our PPE Survey

AMS would like to determine the extent to which the private PPE supply chains are opening back up. Please take a minute to let us know what you can and cannot purchase.

[Click here to take our one-minute survey](#)

PPE



View our information on personal protective equipment at [ARKMED.org/ppe](https://www.arkmed.org/ppe) or visit arkansasready.com/ppe for Arkansas PPE vendors.

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 Resources



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/>.

Join our COVID-19 Mailing List

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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