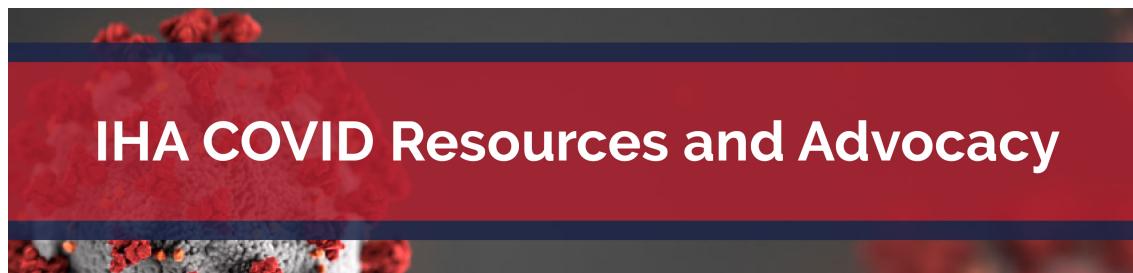


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Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2021

IDPH provides updated vaccination information, public campaign material

The most-recent COVID-19 vaccine information has been posted to the Iowa Department of Public Health's web page, under the [COVID-19 Vaccine Information tab](#). Updated information includes the Vaccine Information Brief 12.29.20 and Vaccine Administration Billing and Reimbursement 12.29.20 documents.

Health care provider questions about the COVID-19 vaccine can be directed to the COVID-19 Vaccine Call Center at 800-831-6293, ext. 1, or emailed to COVID19Vaccine@idph.iowa.gov.

The department also provided materials that hospitals and health departments can use to communicate the safety and value of the vaccine. Campaign materials includes:

- [Press release template](#)
- [Social media graphic No. 1](#)
- [Social media graphic No. 2](#)
- [Social media graphic No. 3](#)
- [Social media graphic No. 4](#)
- [Social media graphic No. 5](#)
- [Social media messages](#)
- [Vaccine administration overview letter from Director Garcia and Dr. Pedati](#)

Positive and negative SARS-CoV-2 results are immediately electronically reportable

According to Iowa code, positive and negative results for SARS-CoV-2 testing – including molecular and antigen detection methods and results for SARS-CoV-2 serological testing detecting antibody – are reportable in Iowa. This designation began Dec. 31, 2020, and will remain in place until Friday, Dec. 31, 2021.

Iowa health care providers and public, private and hospital laboratories must report within one day of the test being performed all SARS-CoV-2 testing results to the Iowa Department of Public Health. Reports must be made electronically through the Iowa Disease Surveillance System or other electronic means as directed by the department.

The department also continued orders for the reporting of four other conditions/infections related to COVID-19:

- Acute flaccid myelitis.
- Candida auris infection or colonization.
- Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae infection or colonization.
- Multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children associated with COVID-19.

The reporting orders are extended through Friday, Dec. 31, 2021. Reports may be made by calling 800-362-2736, or electronically through the Iowa Disease Surveillance System.

IDPH and CDC developing infection control educational materials

[Project Frontline](#) is a joint effort by IDPH and the CDC to give health care workers educational materials about infection control principles. The project's content will be designed so that health care workers can understand and apply infection control principles and protocols regardless of their training or educational backgrounds.

To help guide the development and distribution of [Project Firstline](#), IDPH is asking health care workers to complete a [brief and anonymous survey](#). The information collected will help IDPH target training and educational materials.

Educational opportunity

- [Protecting the Employee: Hospital's Responsibilities During COVID-19](#), 10-11:30 am Wednesday, Jan. 27. During 2020, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration was active in enforcing the responsibility to protect employees by providing appropriate respiratory protections and to provide a place of employment that is free from recognized hazards. This session will discuss these requirements and frequently cited standards violations. Register [HERE](#).



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