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**Date:** Friday, June 19, 2020 10:54:50 AM

**Jill Hunsaker Ryan - CDPHE has declined this invitation.**

## **CDC COVID-19: Public Health Touchbase - Hot Spots Contributors**

**When** Thu Jun 25, 2020 12pm – 1pm Mountain Time - Denver

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This week's topic: Planning for a Community of Practice: Correctional Facilities will be postponed to a later date.

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AGENDA – LTC Community of Practice  
Thursday, June 11, 2020 2 – 3 p.m. EDT  
Bridgeline: [REDACTED]

COVID-19: Public Health Discussions on Contributors to Hot Spots; Establishing Communities of Practice to Support STLT Outbreak Response

National Call with STLT Public Health Partners to Mitigate and Respond to COVID-19 Outbreaks within LTC Settings

Invited Participants: STLT Epidemiologists, Preparedness Directors, Laboratorians, and Professional Partner Organizations.

1. Welcome and Introduction: Chris Kosmos, Division Director, DSLR

Purpose: Support STLT partners in developing outbreak response strategies to address counties with emerging increasing incidence of COVID-19 cases or “hot spots” through weekly national technical assistance calls. These calls will include science-based mitigation strategies, lessons learned, and state-to-state information sharing. Each week’s call will focus on a different topic including outbreak response in migrant farm worker settings, meat and poultry processing facilities, correctional facilities, and long-term care facilities, among others. These weekly calls will augment CDC deployments to states and support broader dissemination of tools, mitigation strategies, and lessons learned.

2. Background: Joe Perz, DHQP

3. Overview of CDC Activities: On-site and Remote TA for LTC Preparedness and Response: Peggy Honein, HD Senior Advisor and Ryan Fagan, MD, DHQP

4. CDC Lessons Learned: Nimalie Stone, MD DHQP, and Bryan Christensen, DHQP

5. State Sharing/Discussion: Responding to Outbreaks of COVID-19 in LTC Settings, Including Successes and Lessons Learned

\* HAI Coordinators:

- i. Sara Podczervinski, WA
- ii. Erica Washington, LA
- iii. Jeanne Negley, GA
- iv. Erin Epton, MD CA

6. Open Discussion

7. Next Steps: Chris and Peggy

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Good Morning,

I hope you all are staying safe and well.

Below is our daily memo on developments related to the COVID-19 response as well as implementation and oversight of the CARES Act. I have also included our Q1 memo (attached) on federal legislative and regulatory action that is non-COVID-19 related.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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May 4, 2020

The debate over the future direction of Washington's coronavirus response is increasingly falling along traditional party lines. Democrats are seeking to prime the nation's economic engine through nearly US\$1 trillion in new aid for state, territorial and municipal governments. Republicans are countering by calling for fewer taxes, regulations and lawsuits. Presently, no significant COVID-19 legislation is moving in either chamber of the United States Congress.

The director of President Donald Trump's National Economic Council, Larry Kudlow, said Sunday that a "pause" moment has been reached in what has been an effort to pump trillions of dollars into the US economy as it struggles under the weight of the pandemic. Kudlow's comments, made to CNN, came just days after the Trump-appointed chairman of the Federal Reserve Board said trillions of dollars in additional spending by Congress will be necessary to prevent the nation's economy from further cratering.

The US Senate will convene in person today for work on "policy and nominees in the COVID-19, national security, oversight, and judicial areas." The US House of Representatives is tentatively planning to return to Washington next week, as House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) continues work behind the scenes on an as-yet unseen "CARES 2" coronavirus response package.

Republicans in Washington have used the "pause" to roll out an escalating series of conditions they say will have to be met to secure their support for the next pandemic response bill. Republican congressional leaders last week announced they will only agree to the hundreds of billions in additional state and local aid sought by Democrats if the money is accompanied by measures to shield enterprises and workers from litigation as the economy reopens. Sunday evening, President Trump added an additional "red line," saying he will not sign another relief bill unless it includes tax relief for businesses and consumers to support economic growth.

*POLITICO's* Nancy Cook, citing interviews with senior administration officials, reports that the White House "is preparing a proposal for tax and regulatory changes to boost the economy that it tentatively plans to release at the end of this week."

"White House aides [have] seriously discussed expanding the business-expense deduction or allowing businesses to write off new investment such as equipment costs, [and] a new tax credit to incentivize companies to return manufacturing to the US," Cook notes, adding that further stimulus cash payments to individuals may also be part of the White House plan.

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## Tax and Economic Development Updates

With more than 30 million jobless claims over the last six weeks – and a jobless rate that could top 20-percent in this Friday's jobs report for the month of April – lawmakers are continuing to look for ways to provide much-needed financial assistance to the millions of Americans impacted by the current economic crisis. For example, last week, Senate Committee on Finance Ranking Member Ron Wyden (D-OR) – along with nearly 40 of his colleagues – sent a [letter](#) to Senate leadership urging them to expand the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and Child Tax Credit (CTC) as part of the federal government's ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Specifically, these lawmakers are seeking to fill gaps in the EITC and CTC "that leave out the youngest adult workers, workers not raising children in the home, and the lowest-income families." According to Senator Wyden, expanding the EITC would benefit five million American workers, while changes to the CTC would benefit 26 million children. Notably, these proposals build on the [Working Families Tax Relief Act](#), which was introduced in advance of Tax Day 2019 in an effort to "give millions more Americans a foothold in the middle class." House Committee on Ways and Means Chairman Richard Neal (D-MA) is also reported to be exploring similar policies and plans to seek their inclusion as part of the next round of negotiations.

As small businesses struggle to adapt to the current challenges facing Main Street, many are taking advantage of the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). The Small Business Administration (SBA) has released an [updated report](#) on PPP loans approved from April 27, 2020, through May 1, 2020. According to the SBA, they have approved as part of this second round of lending more than 2.2 million PPP loans with a total value of over US\$175 billion. The report also provides that more than 70% of the loans were for less than US\$50,000, with the average loan size just shy of US\$80,000. While information about individual PPP loans is not yet available, recall that Senate Committee on Small Business Chairman Marco Rubio (R-FL) has suggested that the SBA "is eventually going to have to release" more detailed information and, "if they don't, we'll make them do it." In addition to its updated report on PPP loans, the SBA has issued [Guidance on Whole Loans Sales of PPP Loans](#) and yesterday updated its [Frequently Asked Questions](#) (Questions 40-42), which address issues related to loan forgiveness, borrower certifications, and nonprofit hospitals.

As we reported over the weekend, it appears that various lawmakers and stakeholders are beginning to take issue with Internal Revenue Service (IRS) guidance implementing various tax policies enacted in response to COVID-19. One example relates to agency [guidance](#) providing that employers are not permitted to claim the employee retention tax credit for health care expenses paid on behalf of their employees if they are not also paying other wages. In response to this guidance, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce has sent a [letter](#) to Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin urging the IRS to allow employers that have continued to provide health care benefits to furloughed employees to be eligible for the tax credit. According to the Chamber, "[p]unishing employers who have continued to provide furloughed employees health care benefits during a global pandemic is simply poor public policy." Looking ahead, it is clear that tax policy will continue to be a key piece of the federal government's COVID-19 response, as President Trump last night made clear during his virtual town hall that "[w]e're not doing anything [more] without a payroll tax cut." In fact, reports suggest that by as early week's end, the President could outline a number of tax policy priorities he would like to pursue to aid in America's economic recovery, which could potentially include changes to how businesses depreciate their property as well as a new tax credit to encourage increased domestic manufacturing.

Finally, recall that on April 30, after receiving over 2,200 comment letters, the Federal Reserve published two updated term sheets and one new term sheet for its Main Street Lending Program (MSLP), along with [Frequently Asked Questions](#) that may from time to time be updated. The MSLP is intended to provide support for small and mid-sized businesses through four-year term loans (Main Street Loans) from eligible lenders to eligible US businesses, which together with their affiliates, have up to 15,000 employees or revenues of up to US\$5 billion. The Federal Reserve has clarified that the affiliation rules applied by the SBA to determine eligibility under the PPP will also apply with regard to certain eligibility criteria under the MSLP. While we have put together an in-depth [analysis](#) of the program, it is important to note that every entity's approach to the MSLP should be based on its individual facts and circumstances. As such, our [financial services team](#) stands ready and able to assist with interpreting some of the ambiguities and open questions in the governing rules for the program.

## Health Updates

As we reported on Saturday, President Trump [announced](#) on Friday evening his intent to nominate Jason Weida, an Assistant United States Attorney in Boston, to be Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). In April, the HHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released a [report](#) that found hospitals in crisis as COVID-19 diagnoses were increasing; President Trump accused Christi Grimm, Principal Deputy Inspector General, of having political motives for releasing the report. On Saturday, Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Ranking Member Patty Murray (D-WA) released a statement, previewing the Senate's confirmation process: "We all know the President hasn't told people the truth about this virus or his Administration's response, and late last night, he moved to replace an independent government official who did. The President cannot be above oversight, no matter how he denies, attacks, and fights against it. His nominee must not get through the Senate without ironclad commitments to continue, without any political interference, the investigations that are currently underway."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released a report titled "[Public Health Response to the Initiation and Spread of Pandemic COVID-19 in the United States, February 24 – April 21, 2020](#)." The report states that various factors led to an accelerated spread of the coronavirus from February to March of this year, including "continued travel-associated importations, large gatherings, introductions into high-risk workplaces and densely populated areas, and cryptic transmission resulting from limited testing and asymptomatic and presymptomatic spread. Targeted and communitywide mitigation efforts were needed to slow transmission." The report authors explain that the identification and recognitions of the factors identified in the report associated with increased spread during the early months of the pandemic can assist future decision-making across the United States as locations continue to respond to the COVID-19 emergency.



Last night, President Trump [stated](#) a COVID-19 vaccine should be ready by the end of this year, though the public health advisors of his administration have insisted the timeline will be longer and reach into 2021. *POLITICO* reports that many are worried the United States will have limited access to a cure if it is developed by another country, due to President Trump's international actions, including his recent move to withhold funding from the World Health Organization. President Trump has dismissed this notion. "I just want to get a vaccine that works. I really don't care. If it's another country, I'll take my hat off to them," he said.

President Trump also [discussed](#) the antimalarial drug hydroxychloroquine last night, referencing the drug in a political context. He stated, "The Democrats – the radical left, whatever you want – would rather see people, I'm going to be very nice. I'm not going to say 'die.' I'm going to say, would rather see people not get well, because they think I'm going to get credit if, you know, hydroxychloroquine works." As we previously reported, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) [issued](#) a [Drug Safety Communication](#) cautioning against the use of hydroxychloroquine or chloroquine as a treatment for the coronavirus outside of a hospital setting or clinical trial, as there is a risk of serious and potentially life-threatening heart rhythm problems in patients when the drugs are administered. Members of President Trump's team have disagreed over the use of hydroxychloroquine as a treatment for the coronavirus. President Trump had repeatedly expressed enthusiasm for hydroxychloroquine during press briefings earlier this year, and the FDA posted chloroquine phosphate and hydroxychloroquine sulfate tablets to its drug shortages [website](#), attributing the action to a surge in demand. The International Society of Antimicrobial Chemotherapy has now [questioned](#) a French study published in a society-run journal that suggested the drug could be beneficial for COVID-19 patients.

The FDA has updated its [COVID-19 Response At-A-Glance Summary](#), providing news on major FDA activities and new facts and figures. Established in mid-April, FDA revises this Summary on a regular basis. The summary describes (and links to) FDA's major activities involving COVID-19 response, including those focused on medical products and equipment, therapeutics, vaccines, fraudulent products, food safety and supply and inspection and importation.

## Trade Updates

During a town hall hosted by Fox News Sunday night, President Trump suggested that new tariffs against China might be possible in response to the coronavirus pandemic. As part of the Phase One deal signed by the US and China earlier this year, the latter pledged to purchase US\$200 billion of US products over the next two years, including approximately US\$75 billion in manufactured goods, US\$50 billion worth of energy, US\$40 billion in agriculture products and US\$40 billion in services. Stakeholders have expressed concern that the Chinese government may not be able to meet these commitments given the impacts of the coronavirus pandemic.

During Sunday's appearance, President Trump reiterated his commitment to that agreement, saying "[i]f they don't buy, we'll terminate the deal, very simple." When asked whether he might consider rolling back tariffs on goods from China that remain in place, President Trump reiterated that these tariffs amount to payments from China that are being redirected to farmers hurt by Chinese retaliation. A reporter asked President Trump whether he would use tariffs to punish China for its handling of the ongoing pandemic; while the president did not confirm either way, he called tariffs "the ultimate punishment" and said "[t]ariffs at a minimum are the greatest negotiating tool that we have ever devised and we never used for negotiation." However, experts caution that imposing significant new or increased tariffs in the middle of an economic downturn could have severe negative effects on the already-struggling economy.

Some officials are increasingly stoking anti-China sentiment in Washington – at minimum, criticizing the government of failing to promptly and transparently warn the world during the outbreak's early stages, with some going so far as to lay blame for the contagion on lax practices at a Wuhan laboratory studying coronaviruses (evidence for the latter theory remains limited). Last week, the [Washington Post](#) reported that administration officials are considering how the United States might retaliate against China for its handling of the coronavirus pandemic. Regardless, China policy will almost certainly be a major theme in the November presidential and congressional elections.

## Oversight Updates

Last Friday, the Small Business Administration's Inspector General, Hannibal "Mike" Ware, [said](#) that his office has initiated dozens of investigations into PPP loans. The announcement came following requests for investigations by several lawmakers, including Chairman of the House Committee on Small Business Nydia M. Velázquez (D-NY), Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) and Senators Josh Hawley (R-MO), Elizabeth Warren (D-MA), Sherrod Brown (D-OH) and Benjamin Cardin (D-MD). While the investigations will likely take at least 90 days, consistent with the announcement last week by several IGs, including the SBA's IG, lawmakers will receive "flash reports" on the ongoing investigations to ensure speed and transparency. *POLITICO* reports the SBA IG's first flash report is expected by May 8.

Over the weekend, hotel group Ashford Inc. [announced](#) that it will return the US\$70-million PPP loan it had received. Like other companies that decided to return the funds, Ashford emphasized that it had believed it legally qualified for the loan when it submitted the application and received the funds, but "continuous SBA rule changes and evolving opinions by administration officials have led us to conclude that we may no longer qualify." Companies have until May 7 to return PPP loans if they are unsure they can certify in good faith that "current economic uncertainty" makes the



loans “necessary to support the ongoing operations.” Per Treasury Secretary Mnuchin, PPP loans of US\$2 million or more will be subject to full audits before they are forgiven, and companies may be subject to criminal liability if they wrongfully claimed the funds.

Stimulus payments made under another CARES Act program to medical care providers in the total amount of US\$30 billion are also coming under scrutiny. *Reuters* [reports](#) that stimulus payments were made to companies and individuals facing civil or criminal fraud investigations. The Department of Health and Human Services told *Reuters* that funds were deposited into bank accounts of companies that submitted billings in 2019 to Medicare, unless those companies were already excluded from participating in the program. This practice was criticized by several lawmakers, including Senator Wyden. Katherine Harris, a spokeswoman for the HHS IG, would not comment on any ongoing investigations but noted that the IG’s Office “regularly perform[s] reviews of the department’s administration of programs, including the distribution of funding.” Late on Friday, President Trump [announced](#) his intent to nominate Jason Weida to be the HHS IG. If confirmed by the Senate, Weida will replace Christi Grimm, Principal Deputy IG, who authored the report that found hospitals in crisis as COVID-19 diagnoses were increasing. The President characterized the report as “wrong” and “Another Fake Dossier!”

Yesterday, presumptive Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden and Senator Warren teamed up in an [op-ed](#) titled “There’s no oversight of coronavirus relief — because that’s what Trump wants.” They emphasized the need to shield IGs from retaliation, protecting whistleblowers, transparency and subpoena power for “the Congressional Oversight Commission, which sits beyond Trump’s reach.” They concluded by saying that, if Congress and President Trump’s administration do not “act now,” the Biden administration will, including by appointing an IG “to review every coronavirus relief transaction currently evading serious scrutiny.”

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Good Morning,

I hope you all had a good weekend and Mother's Day.

Below is our daily memo on developments related to the COVID-19 response as well as implementation and oversight of the CARES Act. Attached is our Executive Branch update.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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May 11, 2020

The Democratic leadership of the US House of Representatives continues work on the details of Speaker Nancy Pelosi's (D-CA) sweeping "CARES 2.0" coronavirus relief package, which could reportedly see a public rollout this week. The US Senate is in session again this week and will hold a series of hearings focused on the pandemic, with an eye on shaping the next phase of the federal response. Republican officials in Washington say formal bipartisan negotiations over the next COVID-19 bill have yet to begin, and are likely weeks away.

The size of the proposed CARES 2.0 package has continued to grow as Democratic Members of Congress, disappointed that the last major bill, the [CARES Act](#), originated in the Republican-led Senate rather than in the Democrat-controlled House, have lobbied Speaker Pelosi for the inclusion of their favored ideas and priorities. Some Democratic representatives facing tough reelection battles this fall have argued for a more pragmatic approach. But Speaker Pelosi's desire to give members of her caucus the opportunity to present a bill that showcases their party's comprehensive vision for the coronavirus response effort appears to be carrying the day.

"Neither this bill nor anything resembling it will ever become law," note *POLITICO*'s Jake Sherman and Anna Palmer. "[I]t's a Democratic wish list filled up with all the party's favored policies."

Reports now speculate that the Democratic CARES 2.0 bill will have a price tag in the "trillions," with an infusion of aid to states, territories, counties and municipalities in the range of US\$750-800 billion. Additional cash "stimulus" cash payments to US households are likely to be another major component of the bill, though House Democrats are still tweaking the details of their approach. "[O]ne idea gaining steam is a paycheck-guarantee program that keeps people tied to their employers and health benefits," the [Wall Street Journal](#) reports.

Democratic leaders have not yet announced when the House, which has been out of session since March, will be brought back to Washington, DC for consideration of CARES 2.0.

Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and National Economic Council director Larry Kudlow, speaking this weekend on behalf of the Trump Administration, indicated the president is open to eventual negotiations on another major bipartisan coronavirus response bill, but said action on such a package is not needed immediately. The trillions of dollars pumped into the economy already in recent weeks must be given time to work and so their impact can be assessed and can inform the next round of federal activity, they suggested.

Dr. Anthony Fauci, Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, will testify virtually before the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee in the Senate on Tuesday. Senate hearings are also expected this week on the oversight of COVID-19 response measures and the topic of liability for businesses as the economy reopens. Senator John Cornyn (R-TX), a senior member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, is drafting legislation on the latter subject that is expected to be a touchstone for Republicans in eventual negotiations over the next bipartisan pandemic response measure.

See [here](#) for the latest editions.

## Tax and Economic Development Updates

With CARES 2.0 expected to be revealed soon, momentum appears to be building within the House Democratic Caucus in favor of providing “triggers” that would automatically extend unemployment insurance without the need for additional legislative action. There is also discussion regarding potential changes to the employee retention tax credit (ERTC), which provides a 50% tax credit on up to US\$10,000 in wages paid per employee. In fact, led by Representative Stephanie Murphy (D-FL), a bipartisan group of lawmakers last week introduced a [proposal](#) aimed at strengthening the ERTC. The Jumpstarting Our Businesses’ Success Credit (JOBS Credit) Act of 2020 would make a number of “targeted” improvements to the ERTC “to better fulfill its goal of keeping workers connected to their jobs during this crisis,” including by: (1) increasing the credit percentage from 50% to 80% of qualified wages; (2) increasing the per-employee limitation from US\$10,000 for all calendar quarters to US\$15,000 per calendar quarter (and an aggregate of US\$45,000 for all calendar quarters); and (3) changing the threshold for treatment as a large employer from employers having more than 100 employees to employers having more than 1,500 employees (based on the average number of full-time employees in 2019) or having gross receipts above US\$41.5 million in 2019.

The Small Business Administration (SBA) Office of the Inspector General has released a [report](#), which found that SBA-imposed restrictions on Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans – including a requirement that borrowers use at least 75% of their loan on payroll expenses to qualify for full loan forgiveness – “could result in an unintended burden to the borrowers.” In addition to lawmakers’ concerns about the impact of these requirements, lawmakers also are focused on ensuring that PPP loans remain accessible to minority- and women-owned businesses. In fact, Senators Ben Cardin (D-MD) and Cory Booker (D-NJ) have released a [white paper](#) outlining ways to provide “immediate improvements” to the PPP. Recognizing “that traditionally underserved business owners, including minorities, women, and those in rural areas, have been disproportionately left behind,” the pair of Senators would, among other things: (1) adjust the threshold for Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) and other mission-based, non-profit lenders that have not yet been approved for a loan; (2) set aside at least US\$10 billion for CDFIs that have a “demonstrable record of reaching underserved borrowers and minority depository institutions (MDIs) to support loans to underserved small businesses; and (3) set aside a portion of any additional funding for businesses based upon their employee count to ensure that the smallest businesses are actually able to access PPP funds. Their proposal is yet another indication that additional funding for – and various changes to – the PPP are likely as part of the forthcoming legislative package.

Lawmakers are also continuing to examine tax policy as part of the government response to COVID-19. In a [request](#) to the Treasury Department, Senate Finance Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley (R-IA) and Ranking Member Ron Wyden (D-OR), along with several other key Senators, requested that the Treasury Department provide an extension of the “continuity safe harbor” from four years to five years for energy production tax credit (PTC) and investment tax credit (ITC) projects that began construction in 2016 or 2017. Treasury Secretary Mnuchin took note of the request and has [responded](#) favorably, indicating that the Treasury Department would in fact modify its guidance to extend the safe harbor. Notably, this change comes as Secretary Mnuchin and Energy Secretary Dan Brouillette are reported to be discussing the potential for a lending program to support the domestic oil and gas industry.

## Health Updates

Axios [reports](#) the White House will push themes of “preparedness and confidence” this week, with several events focusing on testing. The administration has made some strides in testing over the past week, though some public health experts stress the United States should establish increased capacity and achieve additional scientific advancements before social distancing guidelines are relaxed further. On Friday evening, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) [issued](#) the first emergency use authorization for a COVID-19 antigen test – a diagnostic test designed for rapid detection of the virus that causes COVID-19 – in laboratories and patient care settings. While the capability to rapidly test for the virus will be highly useful in many environments, FDA cautioned, “[t]here is a higher chance of false negatives, so negative results do not rule out infection.” It suggested pairing antigen tests with polymerase chain reaction tests in order to properly make treatment decisions and prevent possible spread of the virus. Additionally, last week, FDA [authorized](#) the first COVID-19 diagnostic test with the option of using home-collected saliva samples. The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) also [announced](#) it had awarded about US\$583 million to over 1,000 health centers funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to expand COVID-19 testing.

Senate HELP Committee Chairman Lamar Alexander (R-TN) emphasized the need for more testing, contact tracing, treatments and vaccines during his appearance on Sunday’s *Meet the Press*, stating that widespread testing will give Americans the assurances needed to return to work and school. Senators will have a chance to discuss these issues and question administration witnesses on Tuesday, when the Committee will hold a hearing titled “COVID-19: Safely Getting Back to Work and Back to School.” The witness panel is slated to include Director Fauci; Dr. Robert Redfield, Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Dr. Brett Giroir, Assistant Secretary for Health of HHS; and Dr. Stephen Hahn, Commissioner of FDA. Director Fauci, Director Redfield and Commissioner Hahn are all self-

quarantining after coming into contact with a White House staffer who later tested positive for COVID-19. On Sunday, the Committee [said](#) all four witnesses would appear by videoconference due to the circumstances. Later Sunday, due to exposure to a staffer in his office who tested positive for COVID-19, Chairman Alexander [announced](#) he would also self-isolate and chair the hearing remotely from Tennessee.

Hospitals and health systems shut down elective surgeries and other nonessential care as the nation first began to cope with pandemic, leading to significant financial [losses](#) for these entities. On Friday, House Committee on Ways and Means Chairman Richard Neal (D-MA) [wrote](#) to Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Administrator Seema Verma, requesting the agency exercise caution when it provides additional guidance for the return of non-emergent health care delivery. He stated, "If we allow elective procedures without putting in place essential safeguards, we could face significant surges in COVID-19 cases, leading to more hospitalizations, deaths, and unnecessary delays in economic recovery." Chairman Neal expressed his opinion that the CMS notice titled "[Reopening Facilities to Provide Non-emergent Non-COV-19 Healthcare](#)," issued on April 19, gives too much flexibility to health systems and does not appropriately protect patients and staff. He urged the agency not to promote the delivery of comprehensive health care services until it "*reinstates the recently waived patient and staff safety standards and frontline workers are assured the necessary personal protective equipment (PPE) and testing to [...] minimize risk.*" Reports from Capitol Hill indicate the House Democrats' CARES 2.0 package will include additional money for hospitals, though the draft language has yet to be released.

A bipartisan group of 123 House lawmakers sent a [letter](#) to House and Senate leadership on Friday, asking that any future coronavirus relief bill include policies to protect temporarily safety-net hospitals from losing 340B drug discount program eligibility due to the pandemic. The lawmakers explained, "To qualify for the 340B Program, hospitals that participate as Medicare disproportionate share ("DSH") hospitals, free-standing children's and cancer hospitals, sole community hospitals (SHCs), and rural referral centers (RRCs) must maintain a minimum DSH adjustment percentage on their most recently filed Medicare cost report. In addressing the surge of COVID-19 patients, hospitals are increasing bed capacity and shifting care from inpatient beds to outpatient settings to reserve space for the critically ill." Though necessary to address the pandemic, these changes could lead to a shift in payer mix that could reduce a hospital's DSH adjustment percentage and jeopardize its eligibility. The lawmakers also stated that some entities are having trouble sourcing drugs without violating eligibility requirements, due to drug shortages and other challenges associated with the pandemic.

On Saturday, HHS's Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) [released](#) the allocation plan for remdesivir, the antiviral treatment that recently received an emergency use authorization from FDA. Cases of the drug, donated by Gilead Science, Inc. and containing 40 vials of the drug each, will be distributed to the following states: Connecticut (30 cases), Illinois (140 cases), Iowa (10 cases), Maryland (30 cases), Michigan (40 cases) and New Jersey (110 cases). An initial allocation was distributed to the following states last week: Indiana (38 cases), Massachusetts (117 cases), New Jersey (94 cases), New York (565 cases), Rhode Island (30 cases), Tennessee (7 cases) and Virginia (33 cases). The announcement explains, "State health departments will distribute the doses to appropriate hospitals in their states because state and local health departments have the greatest insight into community-level needs in the COVID-19 response, including appropriate distribution of a treatment in limited supply." ASPR expects additional deliveries to all 50 states, territories, the Veterans Health Administration and the Indian Health Service; patients may also access the drug through clinical trials. This distribution news followed a Friday [announcement](#) from the National Institutes of Health, which publicized the beginning of a clinical trial testing a COVID-19 treatment regimen of remdesivir and anti-inflammatory drug baricitinib for safety and efficacy. As we previously reported, some Democratic lawmakers have pressed for answers on the availability and affordability of remdesivir (letters [here](#) and [here](#)).

## Trade Updates

Business groups are urging the administration to consider extending its duty deferral policy. As reported by *POLITICO*, companies are facing significant challenges as they seek to take advantage of the program, which allows businesses to temporarily delay payment on tariffs charged on certain March and April imports. A number of factors have made it difficult for businesses to benefit from duty deferral, namely: (1) entries containing goods subject to certain tariffs are not eligible for the policy, including costly tariffs imports on certain steel/aluminum goods under Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 and against a vast majority of Chinese goods imports under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (meaning companies must process those goods on separate entry documents to allow for deferral of tariffs on eligible goods); (2) companies could not recoup payments that had already been made when the policy was announced on April 19; (3) the announcement was made 48 hours before the next monthly tariffs payment deadline, leaving companies little time to prepare the necessary paperwork; and (4) it only applies to goods entered in March and April. Stakeholders continue to urge the administration to, at minimum, extend the program to May and June imports.

## Oversight Updates

On Friday, the House Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis [urged](#) five public companies to return their US\$10 million plus PPP loans. These companies are EVO Transportation & Energy Services, Inc.; Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc.; MiMedx Group, Inc.; Quantum Corporation; and Universal Stainless & Alloy Products, Inc. The panel

asked the companies to say by May 11 whether they intend to return the loan proceeds. If they do not return the proceeds, the panel is seeking “all documents and communications” between the companies and Treasury/SBA/financial institutions, including their PPP applications. Within hours of the subcommittee’s urging, one of the companies, MiMedx Group, said that it would [return](#) its loan proceeds. On Saturday, another company—EVO Transportation & Energy Services—[stated](#) it will not return its proceeds and will continue to use them for payroll costs.

The Friday request is the panel’s first official action, and in fact, the first official action by any oversight mechanism established by or in relation to the CARES Act. The Congressional Oversight Commission is still missing a Chair; the Special Inspector General Pandemic Response Accountability for Pandemic Recovery at Treasury has not been confirmed by the Senate yet; and the Pandemic Response Accountability Committee has been off to a slow start, following President Trump’s effective removal of the Committee’s Chair. (Glenn Fine became ineligible to serve as the Chair one week after his appointment, when the President removed him from his position as Pentagon’s Acting IG.) The Congressional Oversight Commission’s first report to Congress was due Saturday. In lieu of a report, the four members of the Commission named to date issued a [statement](#) to assure the public that work is underway, “even in the absence of a staff, a budget, and a chairperson.”

Also on Friday, in response to an April 23 request from Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) and Senators Sherrod Brown (D-OH) and Cardin, the SBA’s IG Hannibal “Mike” Ware issued a 40-page flash [report](#) on the SBA’s PPP. While he found that the SBA’s guidance on the PPP was “mostly aligned” with the CARES Act, the report identified several areas in which the SBA’s guidance was lacking, including prioritizing underserved and rural markets, eligibility for forgiveness and deferments.

Also:

- The Office of Special Counsel has [found](#) “reasonable grounds” to investigate whether Dr. Rick Bright was removed from a senior science post for his questioning the use of hydroxychloroquine as a treatment for COVID-19. The Office recommended that the Department of Health and Human Services reinstate Dr. Bright while it investigates his allegations.
- House Intelligence Committee Chairman Adam Schiff (D-CA), Homeland Security Committee Chairman Bennie Thompson (D-MA) and Representative Murphy, co-chairman of the moderate Blue Dog Coalition, [introduced](#) bills to create an independent bipartisan investigative commission in the next relief legislation. The lawmakers want this commission to conduct “an extensive and authoritative study” into the coronavirus response, similar to those conducted in the wake of Pearl Harbor and the September 11th terrorist attacks.

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Thanks, for this! I am forwarding this to Elisabeth Arnales in the Governor's Office who is trying to collect information on this issue.

Can anyone confirm if this is [REDACTED] contact info?

[REDACTED]

Thank you!

On Mon, Jun 8, 2020 at 1:35 PM Rosemary Rodriguez <[REDACTED]> wrote:

I received this on June 4 from Ramona Martinez, a former City of Denver Councilwoman. She and others have been making masks for use in Center, Colorado. She asked me to share this message with people who might be able to help the community of Center. I don't know if these problems have been resolved or not, but I am sharing with you in the event that you might be in a position to help.

My name is Rosemary Rodriguez and I am a retired former state director for Michael Bennet and Denver city councilor. I can be reached at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

I don't have first-hand information about Center but I can work to find out anything that you may need.

RER

***This is the note from the San Luis Valley that was sent to me from [REDACTED] who is one of our Mujeres Valientes Fellows describing the need in Center, Colorado:***

*Hi Lisa and all of you,*

*I am the [REDACTED] at Center Schools as well as a [REDACTED]. I have been working for Center Schools for 28 years and have [REDACTED]. There is a serious disconnect between COVID 19 and the community of Center. As of today, I know and have confirmed 27 cases of COVID 19 since Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup> and yet the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment's data does not reflect this number of cases. I have heard of other cases but I do not know them because I don't know their children or they are single men. I know of 4 more people who have been tested and are waiting for the results. There are over 60 people in quarantine and an additional 10 that are supposed to be in*

quarantine for first hand exposure but have been seen at Walmart, K & J, City Market, and around town without a mask. Another warehouse has been effected because of this disconnect.

My town is in desperate need of education, masks, and understanding of the consequences. Yesterday, our first community member died. I have known this man for many years because [REDACTED]. Another was hospitalized last night. I have been helping with food, supplies, disinfecting wipes, etc from my school supply and personal resources. The school district has applied for additional food grants which will take us through the first week of June for about 87 families. The food bank in town is open sparingly and when people are at work. That is not helpful to us.

The lettuce and spinach camps are of grave concern. I collect clothes and toiletries for the camps and have been there often. The long rooms that have bunkbeds with 16 or so occupants with 4 stall bathroom and common cafeteria room could become a great risk to my town. 40 lettuce workers arrived on Friday; the spinach camp and the 2<sup>nd</sup> lettuce camp workers have not arrived yet. As other migrant workers arrive, they will find housing in places that have 12- 15 people to a building with 1 toilet.

The Valley is not immune to this situation. Center people shop and work in Alamosa and Monte Vista. If they are not educated about the risks, it will spread to the larger communities. I have been told by Town Hall that Center cannot have a stricter requirement unless they get approval from the County and State. If that is truly the case, only education and prevention is going to slow this down in Center.

Probably other people are asking for help in my town, but right now I seem to be the only one asking these questions and wondering where to go next. There are a number of towns [REDACTED] but several are either quarantined or confirmed positives. I have a number of people that I will be contacting to help if resources are found.

Thank you for any information, direction or assistance you can give me. I was going to contact Donald Valdez but I see him on the thread.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] – as an individual

Some of the women in the Latina Leadership Circle are making masks and I have ordered some to send down to Alamosa. I have attached for your read the information that was sent to Fran. Can you send this information out to the Cafecito group? We could use all the help we can get to meet some of the needs. The governors office is aware of the situation, but haven't heard back what if anything they are going to do to help.

Thanks

Ramona

**Ramona E. Martinez**

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Hello,

Please find the attached resource documents to share with your partners. This resource document contains Federal COVID-19 Resources from our Region 8 US Department of Health and Human Services Agencies and from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

A word version is also included for screen readers.

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Best,

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Good Morning,

See below and attached our report of developments related to the COVID-19 response in the U.S.. as well as implementation and oversight of the CARES Act. Also, please find the US Executive Branch Update report attached.

Don't hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Thanks very much,  
Mara



June 17, 2020

President Donald Trump and congressional Republicans are being pressured by anti-establishment organizations to provide no further federal spending in response to the coronavirus. But the president and his team appear poised to move in the opposite direction, having recently revealed plans to put forth a US\$1 trillion national infrastructure spending blueprint in the coming days and signaled that the president would like to sign into law a new bipartisan COVID-19 response measure in the neighborhood of US\$2 trillion, doubling the maximum amount preferred by Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY). The shift by the White House in recent days to a new “go big” posture in advance of bipartisan negotiations on the next consensus measure reflects the urgency Trump’s advisors are feeling to leave no stone unturned in the effort to revive the American economy as the November presidential election moves closer.

Members of Congress, meanwhile, are positioning new bills on topics such as infrastructure and renewable energy to be factors in the upcoming bipartisan COVID-19 talks, even as they simultaneously prepare for action on police reform legislation in reaction to an historic national outcry against racial inequality. Federal Reserve Board Chairman Jerome Powell [told Congress](#) Tuesday that the economic recession triggered by the pandemic lockdown this spring has had a disproportionate impact on American minorities and could result in a deepening of racial income disparities if not reversed through decisive fiscal and monetary policy action.

The Save Our Country Coalition, an entity [formed in April](#) by Washington activists and fundraising icons who would once have been characterized as figures in the “Tea Party” movement, is reported by [The Hill](#) to have sent a letter to President Trump warning that “runaway government spending is the new virus afflicting” the US economy and urging that no further deficit spending be supported by Republicans in reaction to COVID-19. The letter’s signatories include Stephen Moore, a veteran of Washington who at one point was Trump’s pick for a seat on the Federal Reserve Board of Governors. Many of the letter’s signers attacked budget agreements secured by congressional Republicans during the administration of President Barack Obama, but have declined to criticize President Trump in recent years as the federal budget deficit under his watch has exploded, reversing progress made earlier in the decade to reduce the trajectory of debt being incurred by the government.

Renewable energy backers are urging Congress to include measures to support US wind, solar and other clean energy industries in the next coronavirus response measure, a push illuminated yesterday by hearings in both the House and Senate. *Bloomberg* reports:

*“Renewable energy advocates urged . . . Senate and House committees to ensure that clean energy isn’t left out of the next round of economic recovery packages. Thus far, such legislation has avoid helping specific economic sectors, instead focusing more broadly on economic aid to households and small businesses, and addressing the health challenges of the coronavirus.”*

*"The clean energy sector lost more than 620,000 jobs since early March, with energy efficiency and renewable energy job losses making up more than 500,000 of those layoffs, Lisa Jacobson, president of the Business Council for Sustainable Energy, told [a] Senate committee."*

The House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure today will begin consideration of a nearly US\$500 billion surface transportation bill, elements of which could become candidates for inclusion in the upcoming bipartisan COVID-19 response measure. The committee is expected to plow through hundreds of proposed amendments in the first major test of recently-approved House rules that allow committees to debate and vote on legislation virtually, without Members of Congress having to be physically present in the committee chamber. The committee action can be seen [live](#) beginning today at 10:00am EST.

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## Tax and Economic Development Updates

During his testimony yesterday discussing the Federal Reserve's [semiannual monetary policy report](#), Chairman Powell made clear to the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs that "[t]here's a reasonable probability that more will be needed both from you and from the Fed." Chairman Powell also testified: "Recently, some indicators have pointed to a stabilization, and in some areas a modest rebound, in economic activity. With an easing of restrictions on mobility and commerce and the extension of federal loans and grants, some businesses are opening up, while stimulus checks and unemployment benefits are supporting household incomes and spending . . . . That said, the levels of output and employment remain far below their pre-pandemic levels, and significant uncertainty remains about the timing and strength of the recovery . . . . Until the public is confident that the disease is contained, a full recovery is unlikely." Chairman Powell also hinted at the need for continued support for workers during the ongoing period of expected higher-than-normal unemployment, as well as additional aid for state and local governments, as some of the policies he views as necessary as part of continued economic recovery efforts. We expect to hear similar testimony and may learn additional details about the Federal Reserve's position during Chairman Powell's testimony today before the House Committee on Financial Services.

At the same time, the Federal Reserve is receiving some pushback against certain policies implemented in response to the ongoing economic downturn, as well as its calls for continued federal stimulus measures. For example, Senator Pat Toomey (R-PA) is raising concerns about the Federal Reserve's decision to update its US\$250 billion Secondary Market Corporate Credit Facility to – effective yesterday – begin purchasing corporate bonds with a portfolio based on an index of the entire US\$9.6 trillion bond market. According to Senator Toomey, the decision "run[s] the risk that we diminish price signals that we get from the corporate bond market, which can be extremely important in enabling us to detect problems." Chairman Powell addressed these concerns by pointing out that "[i]f market function continues to improve, then we're happy to slow or even stop the purchases, and if it goes the other way, we'll increase." While Chairman Powell acknowledged that "[m]arket function has improved really substantially," he also suggested that the central bank "want[s] to be there if things turn bad in the economy or if things go in a negative direction." To that end, a group of conservative deficit hawks – led by the Free Market Coalition, "a grassroots organization made up of members of the business community, manufacturers, and concerned citizens that are committed to promoting free markets, reducing the scope and size of big government, and growing American business and manufacturing" – sent a [letter](#) to President Trump and Senate Majority Leader McConnell "urg[ing]" that the multi-trillions of dollars of federal government debt spending in the wake of the Coronavirus come to a stop. There is no limit to worthy causes, but there is a limit to other people's money." While White House Economic Advisor Larry Kudlow responded that the Administration is "still assessing the whole situation" and that "[e]verything is pre-decisional right now," Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) is advocating that several upcoming deadlines – including the June 30 deadline for Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) applications, the expiration of the eviction moratorium and various deadlines related to state budgets – necessitate that Congress take action on another COVID-19 relief package before July 4.

According to reports, Representative Jennifer Wexton (D-VA), along with more than 30 Members of Congress, today is expected to send a letter to Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and Small Business Administration (SBA) Administrator Jovita Carranza requesting that they "immediately disclose information on all [PPP] loans for businesses with multiple employees." This letter follows a [letter](#) led by House Majority Whip James Clyburn (D-SC) to a number of major financial institutions requesting that they release information about their PPP lending process, expressing "significant concerns" that "the two-tiered system that some banks reportedly developed for wealthy clients may have diverted PPP funds intended for vulnerable small business owners in underserved and rural markets." Notably, the push for PPP loan information may grow even stronger as it has come to light that at least four Members of Congress have benefited from the program. We may learn more about this and other PPP issues during today's House Committee on Small Business hearing focused on "loan forgiveness and other challenges" related to the small business lending program. For example, the National Association of Realtors is expected to include in its [testimony](#) a call for automatic forgiveness for PPP loans under US\$150,000. Note that yesterday, the Internal Revenue Service released an [interim final rule](#) allowing PPP loan recipients to spend up to US\$46,154 per individual on payroll costs – including certain benefits to employees, though not owners – over the extended 24-week covered period and qualify for loan forgiveness. Additionally, this morning, the SBA released a three-page "EZ" [loan forgiveness form](#), which requires fewer calculations and less documentation than the full application, for loan recipients that are self-employed, have no employees or that did not reduce salaries by more than 25%.

A few additional tax and economic development regulatory updates related to the COVID-19-induced economic downturn:

- The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has released its most-recent [quarterly banking profile](#), which indicates that bank profits fell by nearly 70% in Q1 2020.
- Senator Diane Feinstein (D-CA) has sent a [letter](#) to federal mortgage regulators urging that they "issue guidance to mortgage servicers requiring uniform and comprehensive consumer disclosures that clearly explain all federal mortgage forbearance options available during the coronavirus pandemic."
- The Securities and Exchange Commission has issued a [temporary conditional exemption](#) from broker registration for registered municipal advisors to address disruption in the municipal securities markets as a result of COVID-10, which permits registered municipal advisors to solicit banks, their wholly-owned

subsidiaries that are engaged in commercial lending and financing activities and credit unions in connection with direct placements of securities issued by their municipal issuer clients.

## Health Updates

A large-scale initiative, dubbed "Operation Warp Speed" (OWS), aims to deliver 300 million doses of a safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine by January 2021. The joint effort between the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Department of Defense is part of the administration's greater goal to accelerate vaccines, therapeutics and diagnostics, and was appropriated nearly US\$10 billion in the CARES Act. This [HHS Fact Sheet](#) explains that the accelerated timeframe is possible in part because "protocols for the demonstration of safety and efficacy are being aligned, which will allow the trials to proceed more quickly, and the protocols for the trials will be overseen by the federal government, as opposed to traditional public-private partnerships." HHS announced on May 15 that 14 likely vaccine candidates had been chosen from over 100 currently in development. Under the OWS plan, that number will be narrowed down to seven of the "most promising" vaccines, which will then go through early-stage clinical trials. From that point, three-to-five of the most hopeful candidates will undergo testing in large-scale randomized trials. The distribution methodology would be tiered and prioritize the elderly and the needs of the essential workforce.

A promising development for COVID-19 drug treatment came out of the United Kingdom on Tuesday. A [study](#) conducted by the University of Oxford through the Randomised Evaluation of COVid-19 thERapY (RECOVERY) drug trial program concluded that the anti-inflammation steroid dexamethasone reduced deaths by one-third for patients on ventilators and one-fifth for patients on oxygen. While there is no evidence the drug improves the health of mildly ill patients and the study has not yet been peer-reviewed, its results are being heralded as a significant breakthrough.

The House Committee on Energy and Commerce [announced](#) a blockbuster lineup of witnesses for its hearing next Wednesday titled "Oversight of the Trump Administration's Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic." National Institute for Allergy and Infectious Diseases Director Anthony Fauci, Assistant Secretary for Health Admiral Brett P. Giroir, Food and Drug Administration Commissioner Stephen Hahn, and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Director Robert Redfield are all slated to appear. In the committee's press release, Chairman Frank Pallone (D-NJ) said, "there have been a lot of unfortunate missteps in the Trump Administration's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. This hearing will provide us an opportunity to hear from key Administration health officials about what is working, what still needs to be improved and what more Congress can do to help."

## Trade Updates

The US, Mexico, and Canada have agreed to further extend restrictions on non-essential passenger travel until July 21. The restrictions, which do not apply to goods trade, have been in place since late March. The US-Mexico-Canada Agreement, the successor to the North American Free Trade Agreement, will enter into force in two weeks, on July 1. Yesterday, Customs and Border Protection unveiled [updated interim implementing instructions](#) to help companies prepare for entry into force.

## Oversight Updates

The House Committee on Oversight and Reform's Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis has [launched](#) an investigation into the coronavirus crisis in nursing homes. The panel sent letters to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) – the federal agency that oversees nursing homes – and the five largest for-profit nursing home companies. This announcement follows reports that over 40,000 residents died in nursing home facilities, and a June 11 briefing, during which the panel heard testimony on the lack of sufficient testing, personal protective equipment and staffing. The panel [faulted](#) CMS for providing inadequate guidance and oversight, and largely deferring to states, local governments and the nursing homes themselves. The lawmakers requested information from CMS and the nursing homes covering the period from January 1, 2020 to the present.

In the meantime, the Republican members of the Select Subcommittee sent [letters](#) to five Democratic governors who instituted policies that allowed nursing homes to take in COVID-positive patients as part of their pandemic response. The lawmakers asked the governors to explain their "lethal" decisions and to provide information. Additionally, three Republican senators, Senators Ted Cruz (TX), Rick Scott (FL) and Ron Johnson (WI), sent [letters](#) to all governors requesting information on how their states have allocated CARES Act funds and those from other federal coronavirus response measures.

Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH), ranking member of the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, and Senate Minority Leader Schumer sent a [letter](#) to the Special Inspector General for Pandemic Recovery, Brian Miller, reminding him of the assurances of impartiality and independence that he gave to Congress during his confirmation hearing in May. The senators reiterated their earlier concerns about Miller's ability to hold the Administration accountable for any misconduct or abuses, considering his prior work in the White House Counsel's office, about which concern "has grown as President Trump continues to dismiss other inspectors general." They emphasized that Miller's duty is to the American people, not the President, and urged him to get his office up and running as soon as possible. If Miller encounters any problems in performing his duties, the senators said that he must report them to Congress.

Additionally:

- HHS has [updated](#) its FAQs on the CARES Act reporting requirements, explaining that providers that have received emergency relief funds do not need to submit a quarterly report to the department or the Pandemic Response Accountability Committee (PRAC), the new council of existing inspectors general created under the act. The department confirmed that the statutory reporting requirement is met by its public release of the data.
- Another person was [charged](#) with fraud related to the PPP. The owner and operator of several information technology companies in the Chicago area allegedly made false statements to a financial institution, fraudulently seeking more than US\$400,000 in PPP loans. Unlike many other people charged with PPP-related fraud, who had no employees, this defendant overstated his company's payroll expenses.
- After initially [siding](#) with Treasury Secretary Mnuchin on his claim last week that the names and amounts of

PPP borrowers are “confidential” and “proprietary” information, Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL), chair of the Senate Committee on Small Business, said yesterday that there will be disclosure, at least regarding the recipients of large loans, and that discussions are underway now on the release of information regarding the recipients of smaller loans.

- [POLITICO](#) reports that at least four members of Congress have received PPP loans and “there are almost certainly more.”
- Another CARES Act program, the Paycheck Protection Program Liquidity Facility, launched by the Federal Reserve to extend credit to financial institutions that originate PPP loans, may also be scrutinized like the better known SBA and Treasury program. [Wall Street on Parade](#) reports that, of the US\$57 billion of Fed loans to financial institutions, 9%, or US\$5.3 billion, went to a small New Jersey bank, Cross River Bank. This loan amount represents more than twice the bank’s total assets as of March 30.
- Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), ranking member of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, wrote a [letter](#) to Federal Reserve Chair Powell and three other regulators requesting that they clarify mortgage relief options. The senator’s letter follows a report by the Inspector General for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, which found that banks and servicers provided borrowers with incomplete and inconsistent information on CARES Act mortgage relief options.
- As noted above, the House Committee on Energy and Commerce will hold a [hearing](#) on June 23 titled “Oversight of the Trump Administration’s Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.”

## State Updates

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**Cc:** [Nugent - CDPHE, Mike](#); [Herlihy - CDPHE, Rachel](#); [Lilian Coll](#); [Jill Hunsaker Ryan - CDPHE](#); [Scott Bookman - CDPHE](#); [Sarah Tuneberg - CDPHE](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Note on the need in Alamosa  
**Date:** Monday, May 25, 2020 6:34:38 PM

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Thanks so much, Kerri! I thought you all might already be on it. Please feel free to reach out if you identify needs that we could help fill from an extra resource/support standpoint, and thank you for working so well with that region.

Deborah

On Mon, May 25, 2020 at 6:29 PM Brown - CDPHE, Kerri <[kerri.brown@state.co.us](mailto:kerri.brown@state.co.us)> wrote:

Hi all,

We had a call with the counties in that region on Thursday and already have another call set up with them for tomorrow. We plan on continuing regular check in calls with them. Since the SLV was just transitioned to our epi team last week the purpose of the calls is to figure out their needs, assist them with outbreaks, provide testing resources, provide community and educational resources and epi support. I can update this group after our call tomorrow.

Thank you,  
Kerri

On Mon, May 25, 2020 at 6:12 PM Monaghan - CDPHE, Deborah

<[deborah.monaghan@state.co.us](mailto:deborah.monaghan@state.co.us)> wrote:

I sure can, Mike. I'd also want to be sure the epi team serving that area is also looped in, so I'm adding Kerri too. Happy to hop on a call with Della but also want to be sure I know what is already happening. Kerri, I am thinking you and Lilian Coll could help us understand the need and if setting up a call with Della and your teams may be helpful?

Thanks all,  
Deborah

On Mon, May 25, 2020 at 5:16 PM Nugent - CDPHE, Mike <[mike.nugent@state.co.us](mailto:mike.nugent@state.co.us)> wrote:

Hi Deborah,  
Please see below. Would you be willing to reach out to the Alamosa PH Director and see if they'd like to check-in with our team? Thx, Mike

Mike Nugent  
Chief Operating Officer



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On Mon, May 25, 2020 at 4:42 PM Hunsaker Ryan - CDPHE, Jill  
<[jill.hunsakerryan@state.co.us](mailto:jill.hunsakerryan@state.co.us)> wrote:

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Thanks,  
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<[rachel.herlihy@state.co.us](mailto:rachel.herlihy@state.co.us)> wrote:

FYI

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Subject: Re: Note on the need in Alamosa

To: Herlihy - CDPHE, Rachel <[rachel.herlihy@state.co.us](mailto:rachel.herlihy@state.co.us)>

Cc: Lindsey Webb - CDPHE <[lindsey.webb@state.co.us](mailto:lindsey.webb@state.co.us)>, Rachel Jervis - CDPHE

<[rachel.jervis@state.co.us](mailto:rachel.jervis@state.co.us)>, Bookman - CDPHE, Scott

<[scott.bookman@state.co.us](mailto:scott.bookman@state.co.us)>

This letter has been circulating widely in public health, education, and other circles - it's hit my inbox several times in the last week or two from different sources. Center school is actually Saguache County, but things are pretty bad all around the Valley. The Town of Center lives in Rio Grande, Alamosa, and Saguache Counties. Right now two of the six counties in the valley don't have PH directors (Rio Grande County fired theirs, Saguache County quit).

CDPHE epi teams are supporting them with increased testing supplies, outbreak management, and whatever else we can do. They are one of the regions that will get a CDCF field epi as soon as that process moves forward. Public health is partnering with the FQHC to increase testing in the town of Center and the potato warehouses. We have sent them additional swabs and will continue to provide supplies as needed.

(The discrepancy in data she notes is likely just the reporting lag - SLV website updates on a different schedule than we do)

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<[rachel.herlihy@state.co.us](mailto:rachel.herlihy@state.co.us)> wrote:

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To: Jill Hunsaker Ryan - CDPHE <[jill.hunsakerryan@state.co.us](mailto:jill.hunsakerryan@state.co.us)>, Kacey Wulff - GOVOffice <[kacey.wulff@state.co.us](mailto:kacey.wulff@state.co.us)>, Rachel Herlihy - CDPHE <[rachel.herlihy@state.co.us](mailto:rachel.herlihy@state.co.us)>

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**Subject:** ELC Enhancing Detection funding: Purchase Order and Scope of Work  
**Date:** Friday, June 19, 2020 6:12:15 PM  
**Attachments:** [ELC Enhancing Detection COVID Funds - SOW for LPHAs.pdf](#)  
[CDPHE Containment Strategies and Resources Overview - updated 6.17.2020.pdf](#)

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Dear LPHA Directors and Communicable Disease Partners:

This email serves as notification of your fully executed CDPHE ELC Enhancing Detection COVID purchase order. The recipients of this email are LPHA Directors and LPHA Communicable Disease Partners. Please forward this correspondence to your contracting and programmatic personnel as needed.

Please access your agency's purchase order (PO) in this Google folder: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1wQ4cd4LVPmDFLuN61MFCsEP6rwEn1hoA>

The associated scope of work is attached to this email, along with a document that provides an overview of the CDPHE COVID-19 containment strategies and resources.

CDPHE will process fixed monthly payments to each receiving agency. These payments are made based upon the completion of the deliverables in the attached statement of work. Supporting documentation for all expenditures must be maintained and may be requested to verify compliance is met with funding requirements.

CDPHE will be emailing information next week with details about the post-award call, where we will review the scope of work, deliverables, and fiscal details. In the meantime, if you have questions about your PO, please contact [jamison.lee@state.co.us](mailto:jamison.lee@state.co.us). If you have questions about the scope of work, please contact [nicole.comstock@state.co.us](mailto:nicole.comstock@state.co.us).

Thank you for your continued work on the COVID response.

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**Subject:** Re: Slides from yesterday  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 17, 2020 11:20:16 AM  
**Attachments:** [CDPHE Containment Strategy.pdf](#)

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Absolutely! Slides attached. Let me know if I can be of support or help as you're planning all of this!

On Wed, Jun 17, 2020 at 10:28 AM Jason Vahling <[jvahling@broomfield.org](mailto:jvahling@broomfield.org)> wrote:

Hi Sarah,

First of all, great job yesterday presenting the statewide containment plan. It was very well received by our team and how our efforts align with CDPHE.

Say, can you send me your slide deck? I am preparing a local presentation on our CC on how we are blending and braiding our CARES DOLA and CARES CDPHE funding with ELC funding for local containment.

Keep up the good work,  
Jason



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