FFCA Fire Service Liaison Officer's Information Dissemination for May 5, 2020

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Current Situation:

*On-going: PPE continues to be an issue; logistic requests for PPE should be **realistic** and not exceed a 10 day burn rate. Use the standard Requisition Request. **Fire Departments to coordinate with their County EM to ensure their PPE needs are clearly understood.**

*Related to the above: The Batelle PPE decon station for cleaning masks is in service at the Hardrock stadium in Miami currently. All health and fire systems who need masks are encouraged to gather their used masks for cleaning and bring or send them by Fed Ex to the site. The process takes 3 days

Continued need and focus for testing with a greater concentration on rural, underserved populations and ALF's.

Developing pre-hurricane season strategies for submission to FEMA. **We're one** month away from the start of the hurricane season.

- Reminder that the Stafford Act incident period will close at some point and reimbursements will modify or cease. Begin considerations and preparations now.
- Consideration in development of a Train the Trainer type course for long term care facilities with mandatory training implementation surrounding infectious disease.
- Planning for two new community-based testing sites; Brevard and Volusia Counties
- Mobile Lab to begin tour tomorrow, with ability to test up to 500 people daily
- On-going: Surgeon General and staff preparation and strategy development for antibody testing, possibly by next week.
- Weather Forecast: An extended dry period started on Saturday and is ongoing. High pressure will remain through Tuesday. Minimum relative humidity could drop to near critical levels, especially in the peninsula. Models show extremely low relative humidity on Wednesday and Thursday this week, which could elevate fire danger.
- COVID-19 cases; 1460 deaths; 445,995 people tested, 36,897 positive, over 50% of those are in SE FL. 529 occurring in long term care facilities. Current positive testing rate remains stable at 8.3%
- Total SEOC Missions: 18,030
- COVID-19 impact to Florida Firefighter Cases, reporting on 33,077 FF's from 262 departments. Positive cases:
 150. Out of Service: 316. Fire Service Liaison Officer Requests Submitted: 22
- On-going: Active Wildfire Report. Currently 54 active wildfires, 3960 acres

If any Fire Chief is seeking information on rumors, issues, or has questions that they are unable to have answered locally, they can email questions or requests to *fireserviceliaison@ffca.org* and our Fire Service Liaison Officer will work to get the information they need. This service will be available to our members beginning March 27, 2020 and will be available 7 days per week. Please use

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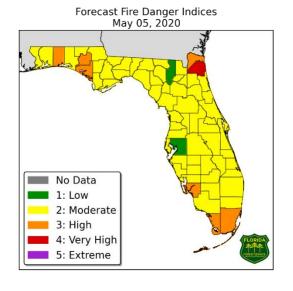
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For Infectious Disease

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- Click here for the PDF ICS 213 form.
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