

DICON Weekly Digest: 1/11/2021

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NEW DICON Program:

DICON is pleased to announce a new service: the [DICON Remote Surveillance Program](#). This program will allow for remote, comprehensive surveillance activities for HAIs, epidemiologically significant organisms, and submission of data to NHSN. Contact your local DICON IP liaison for further information on how we can assist with remote surveillance services.

COVID-19 Tracker & Statistics:

Duke University Dashboard (updated weekly) [here](#).

UNC Health Dashboard (updated daily) [here](#).

NC DPH Dashboard (updated daily) [here](#).

SC DPH Dashboard (updated daily) [here](#).

GA DPH Dashboard (updated weekly) [here](#).

VA DPH Dashboard (updated daily) [here](#).

WV DPH Dashboard (updated daily) [here](#).

FL DPH Dashboard (updated daily) [here](#).

Johns Hopkins Global Dashboard (updated daily) [here](#).

COVID-19 Guidance & Resources:

DICON website [here](#).

CDC website [here](#).

COVID-19 Vaccine Tracker:

NYT Vaccine Tracker [here](#).

CDC:

- Current HAI Progress Report: [2019 National and State Healthcare-Associated Infections Progress Report](#)
- Current issue of [MMWR](#) with highlighted articles:
 - [Allergic Reactions Including Anaphylaxis after Receipt of the First Dose of Pfizer-BioTech COVID-19 Vaccine](#)
 - [Performance of an Antigen-Based Test for Asymptomatic and Symptomatic SARS-CoV-2 Testing at Two University Campuses — Wisconsin, September–October 2020](#)

FDA:

- [FDA warns of false-negative risk from Curative's SARS-Cov-2 test](#)
- [FDA updates device shortage list during COVID-19 public health emergency](#)

APIC:

- [APIC Statement Re: New COVID-19 Strain](#)
- New! [COVID-19 Eye Protection Factsheet](#)

Interesting Literature for Infection Prevention:

- Prevention Strategist Winter 2020: [Unmasking the Mask](#)
- [The Erosion of Public Trust and SARS-CoV-2 Vaccines— More Action is Needed](#)
- [COVID-19 Conspiracies and Beyond: How Physicians Can Deal With Patients' Misinformation](#)
- [Misguided Use of Hydroxychloroquine for COVID-19: The Infusion of Politics Into Science](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Acceptance: We Need to Start Now](#)
- [Unexpected lessons from the COVID-19 lockdowns in France: Low impact of school opening on common communicable pediatric airborne diseases](#)
- [SARS-CoV-2 immunity and reinfection](#)
- [Risk Factors Associated With All-Cause 30-Day Mortality in Nursing Home Residents With COVID-19](#)
- [Genetic Variants of SARS-CoV-2—What Do They Mean?](#)
- [Problems With Paying People to Be Vaccinated Against COVID-19](#)

Do you have a suggestion for a new FAQ, position statement, or newsletter?

Reach out [here](#) or discuss with your DICON IP liaison.