

LaPQC **March 2020** **Coaching Call**

Louisiana Perinatal Quality Collaborative
Reducing Maternal Morbidity Initiative
March 25th, 2020

Roll Call

use the **chat box** to let us know who you are and where you're from.



Agenda

- Reminders
 - Scorecard and monthly report review
 - LaPQC Presentation: COVID-19
 - Questions & discussion
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Reminders

- March Topic Forum call
 - rescheduled to April 27th
- Emails on 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month
- Perinatal-Neonatal QI Conference
 - June 4-5
 - reassessing weekly; final decision in mid-April
- Send contributions and successes!

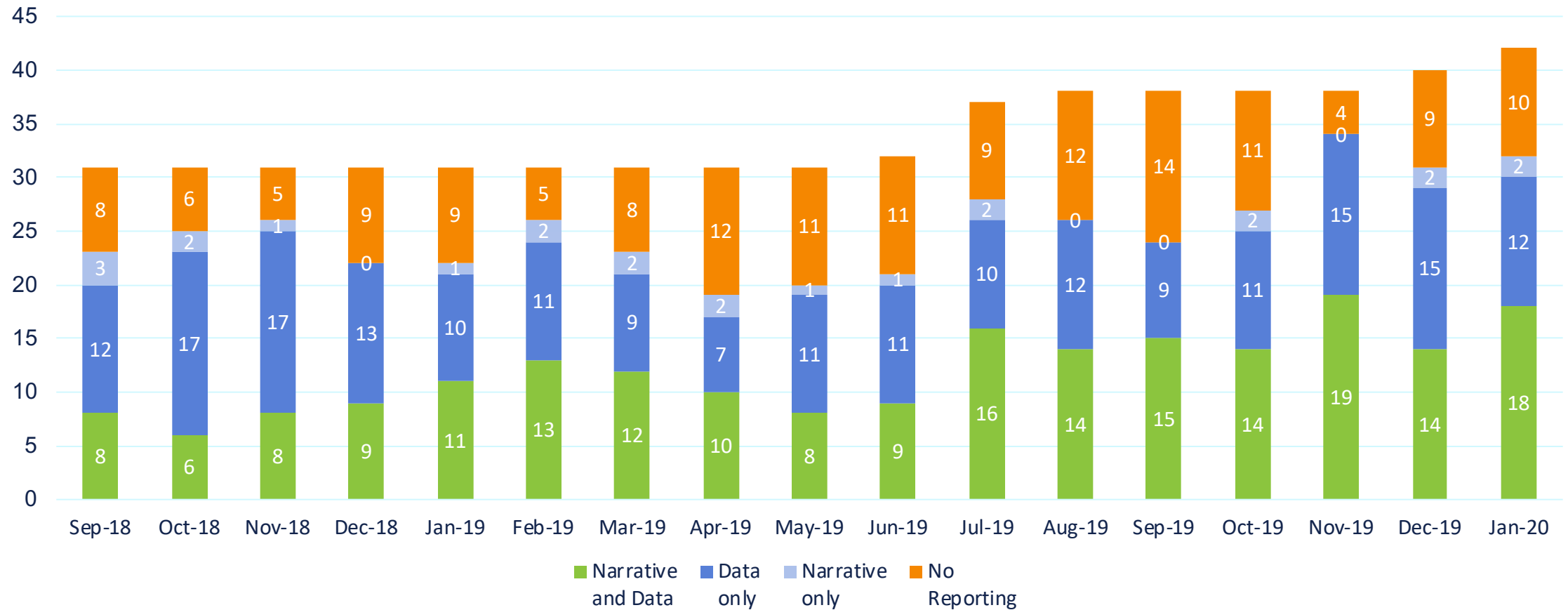




Scorecard and Monthly Report Review

Monthly Reporting

Monthly Reporting Sept 2018-Present



Process Measure Reporting

target measures

balancing measures

	debrief after SMME	OB unit drills	QBL	risk assess	timely treatment of severe HTN	cesarean rate for low risk 1st birth	elective delivery prior to 39 weeks
# of facilities	14	17	21	15	9	13	11
% of facilities	48.4 %	48.4 %	61.3 %	90.0 %	64.5 %	45.2 %	45.2 %

Shout Outs!!


Reporting on all Seven Measures for January:

BR General, North Oaks, O. LSU Shreveport, OLOA, Rapides, Tulane-Lakeside & Willis Knighton South

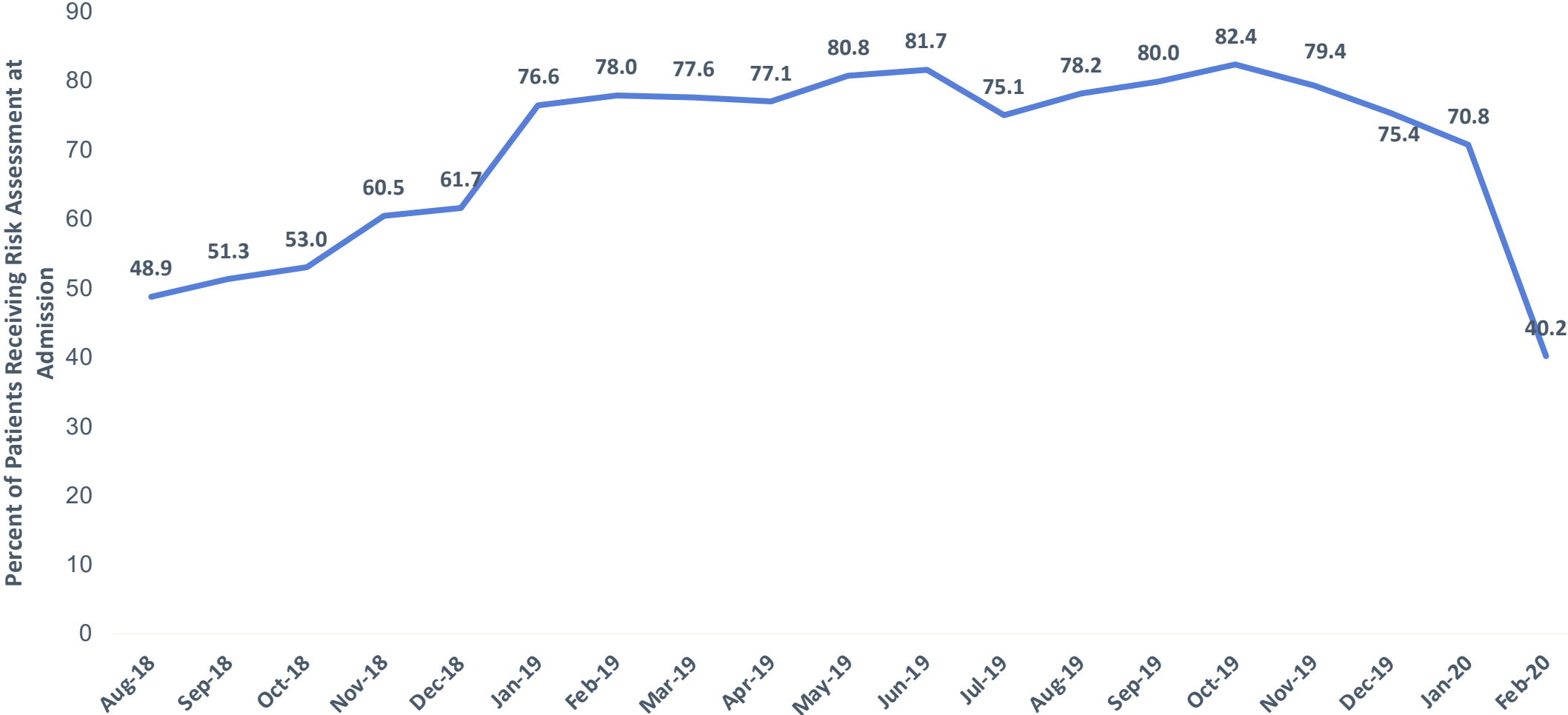
80 % of the teams reported in some way for January!



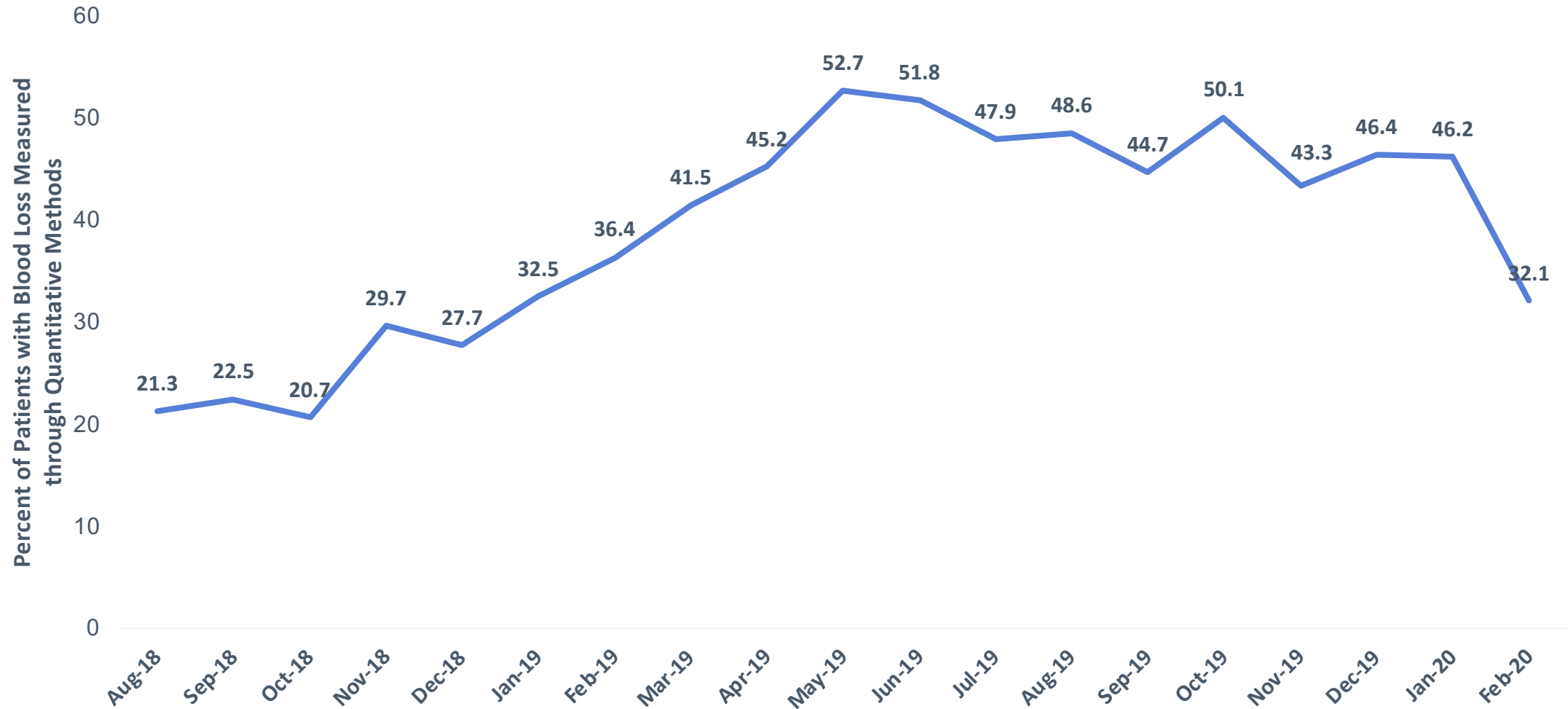
Data by Mother's Day

- Work on updating your data.
 - we know there are time constraints
 - let Amy and Kerrie help
 - Initiative review after May 2020.
 - did we meet our aim?
 - Continued reporting of key process measures.
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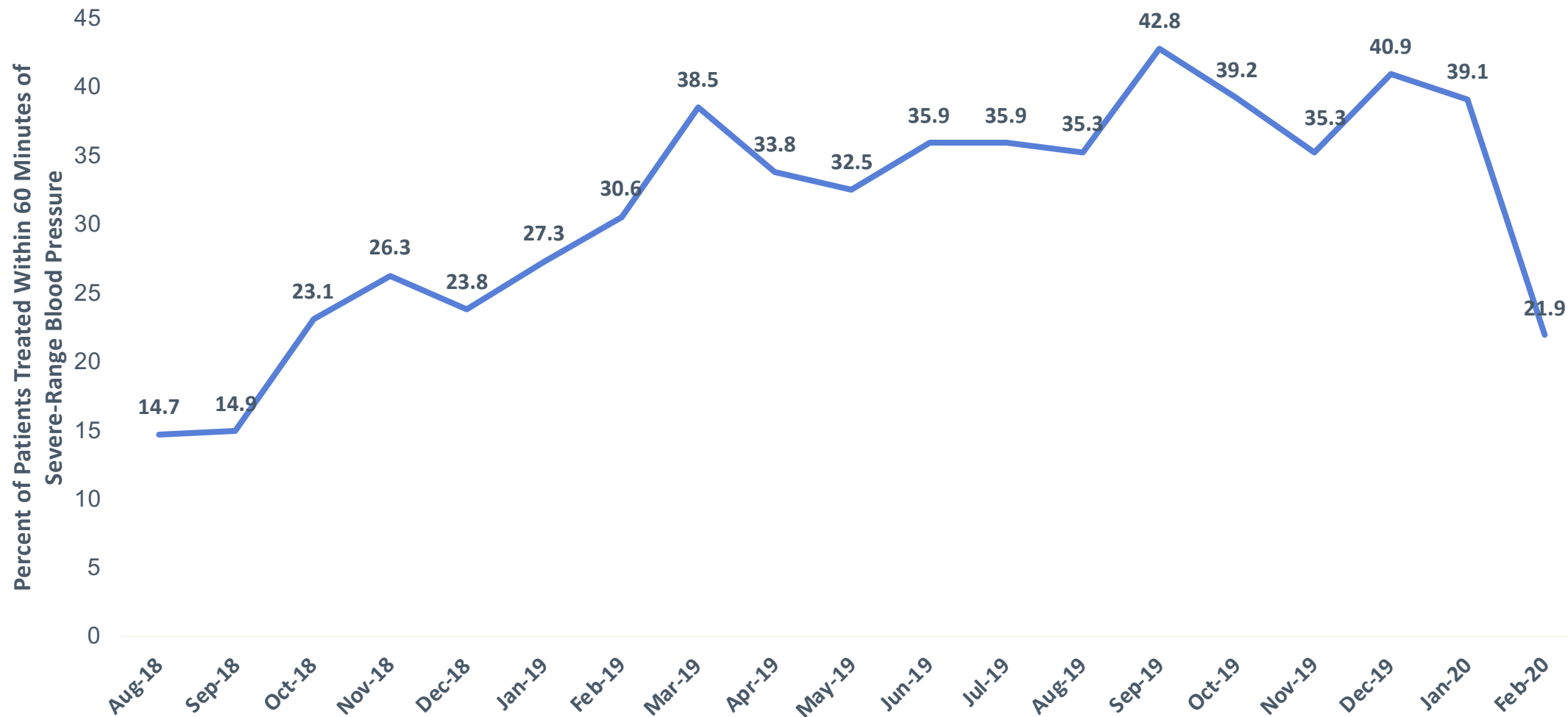
Risk Assessment: Collaborative



QBL: Collaborative



Timely Treatment of HTN: Collaborative






COVID-19

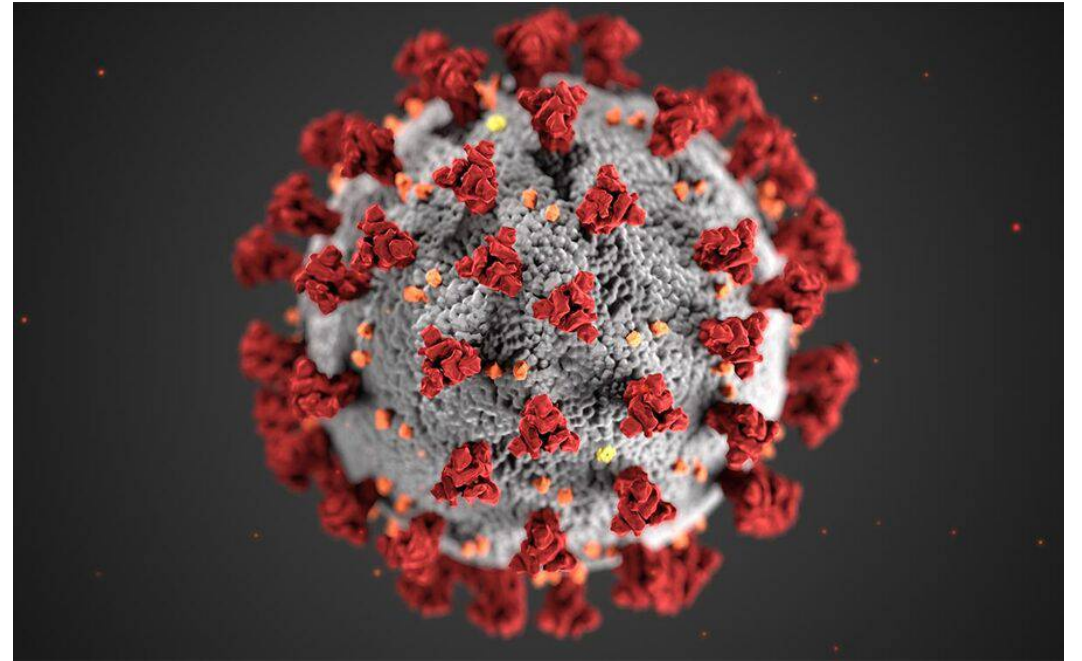
A Changing Landscape

Objectives

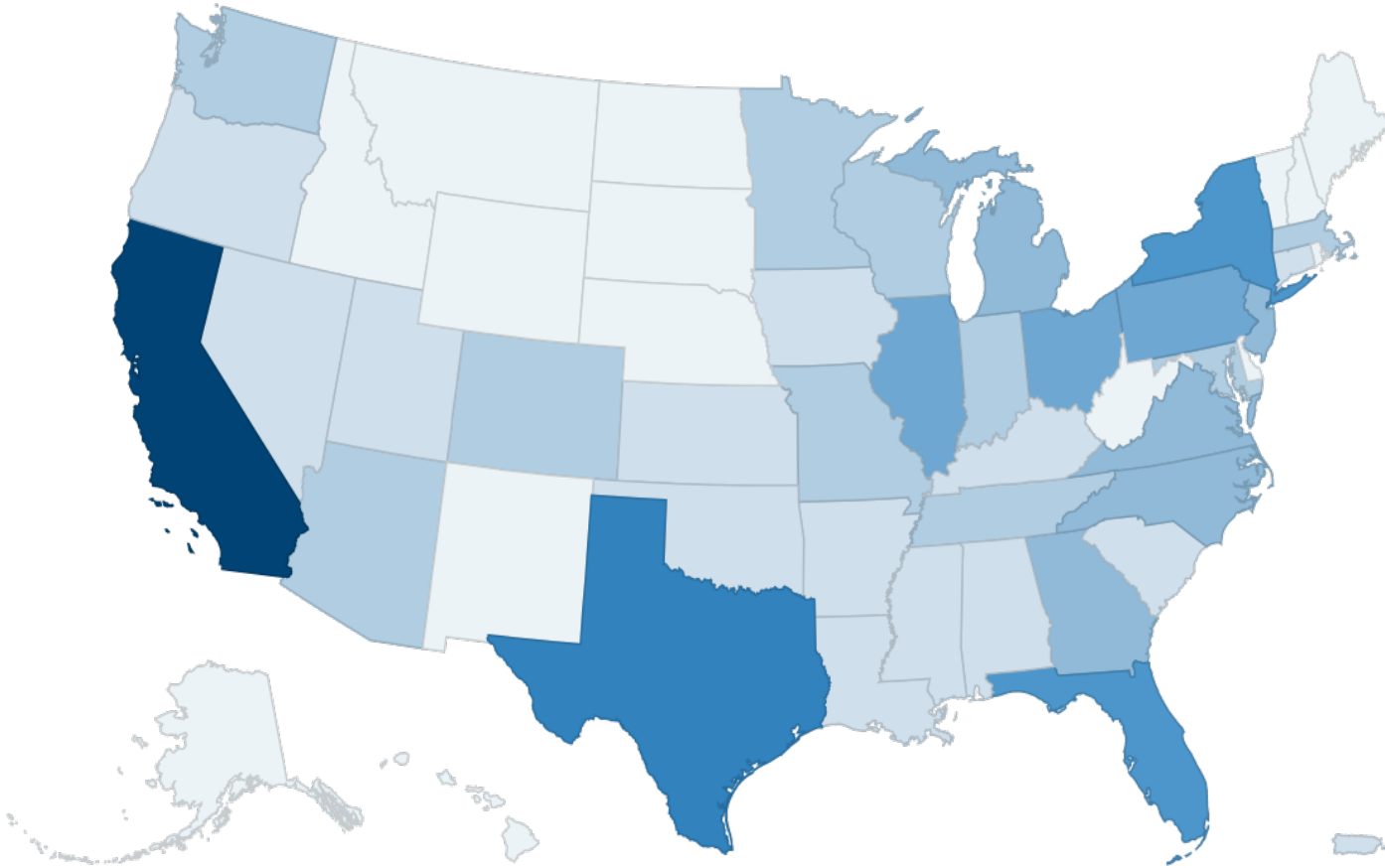
- What is COVID-19?
 - Managing and preventing transmission in pregnant persons.
 - Managing pregnant persons who are positive or presumptive positive.
 - COVID-19 preparedness for hospital staffing.
 - General principles of disaster preparedness.
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What is COVID-19?

- Strain of the coronavirus, discovered in 2019.
- Spread through respiratory droplets and close personal contact.
- Symptoms can appear 2-14 days after exposure.



The Stats as of 3.24.2020



- **United States**

- confirmed: 44,183
- deaths: 544

- **Louisiana**

- confirmed: 1388
- deaths: 46
- Parishes with cases:
43 out of 64

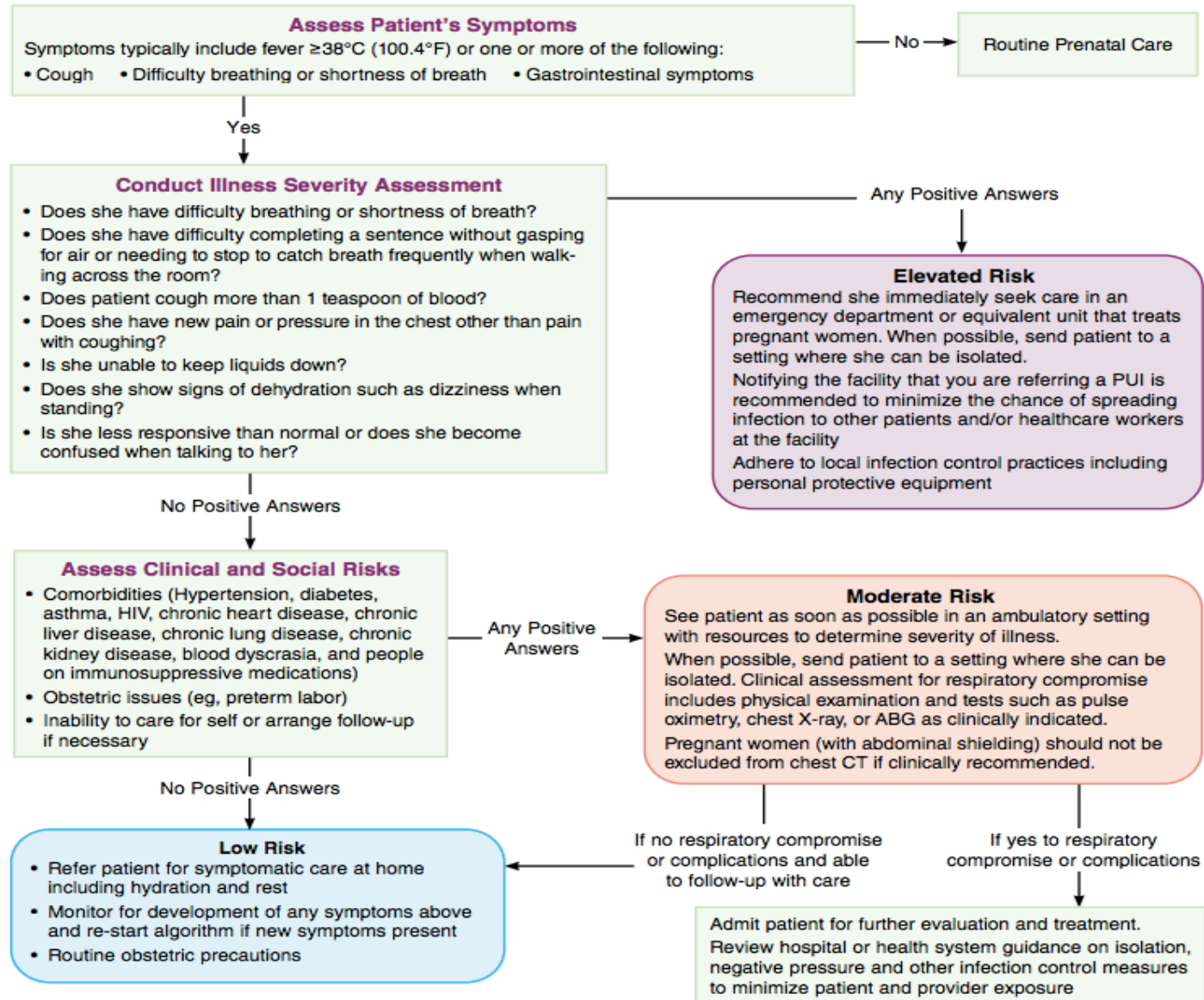
General Prevention and Transmission

- If you feel sick, **stay home** unless you have shortness of breath.
- **Symptoms**: fever, cough, fatigue, shortness of breath
 - **less common**: sore throat, HA, cough with sputum, congestion, rhinorrhea
 - some reports of diarrhea and nausea before fever & congestion
 - pneumonia is most common complication
- Call provider **before** going to office or hospital.

Prevention and Transmission in Obstetric Populations



Outpatient Assessment and Management for Pregnant Women With Suspected or Confirmed Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

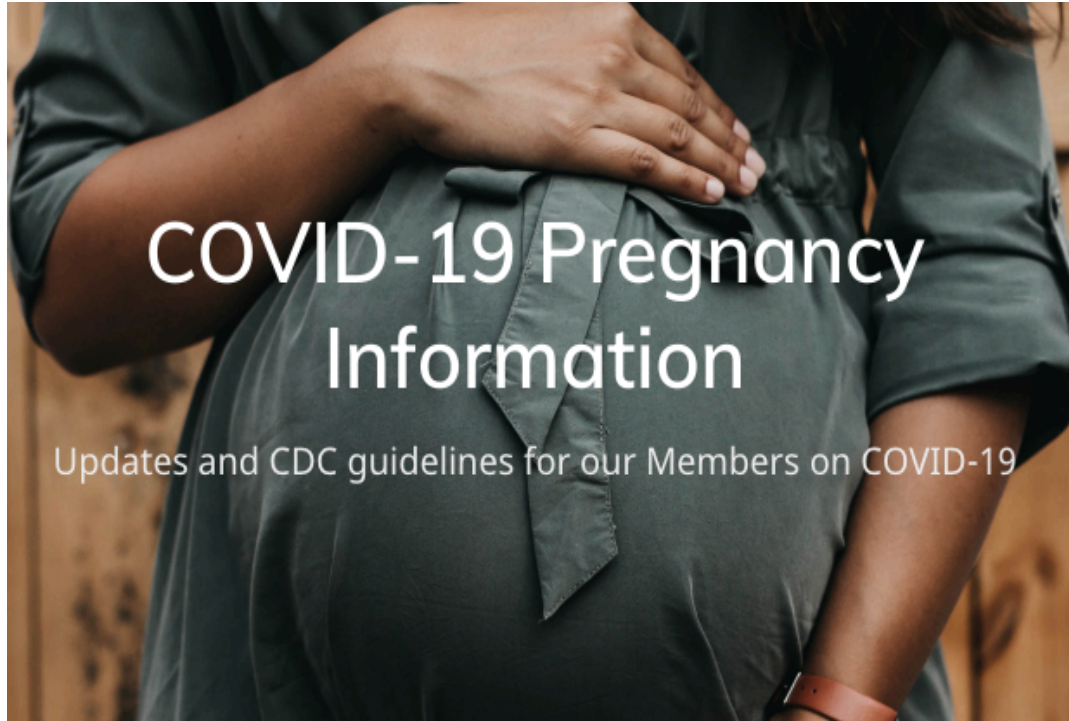


Obstetric Care: Positive or PUI

- Pregnant persons with suspected, probable, or confirmed COVID-19, including those who need to spend time in isolation, should have **access to birthing-centered, respectful care**.
 - mental health care
 - psychosocial support



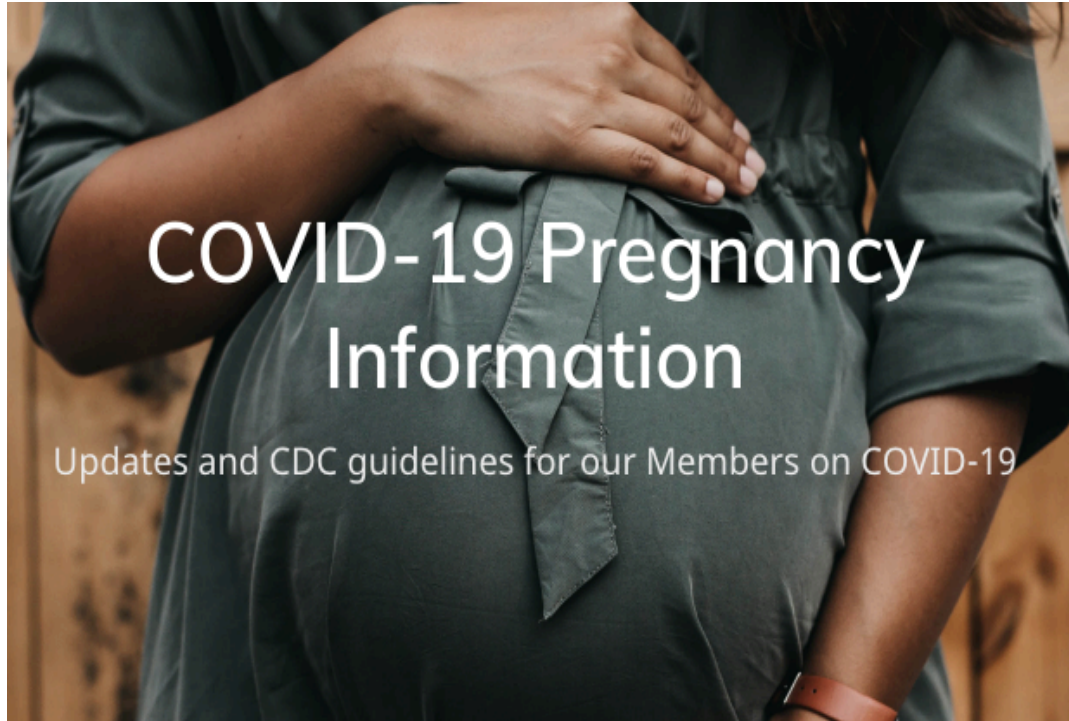
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Antepartum

- Confirmed patients or PUIs should **call ahead** and make notification of arrival.
- Make appropriate **infection control** preparations.
- Consider advice lines and **telehealth** to avoid face-to-face with PUI.

Obstetric Care: Positive or PUI



Intrapartum and Postpartum

- Follow facility infection control practices, consistent with **CDC recommendations**.
- Train personnel to adhere to **PPE requirements**.
- **Infants born** to confirmed persons should be considered PUIs.

Obstetric Care: Positive or PUI

- Risks/benefits of separation should be discussed, though separation is recommended by SMFM.
- Decide on a case-by-case basis.
- If rooming in:
 - physical barriers, physical distancing
 - facemask and handwashing for birth parent to decrease transmission

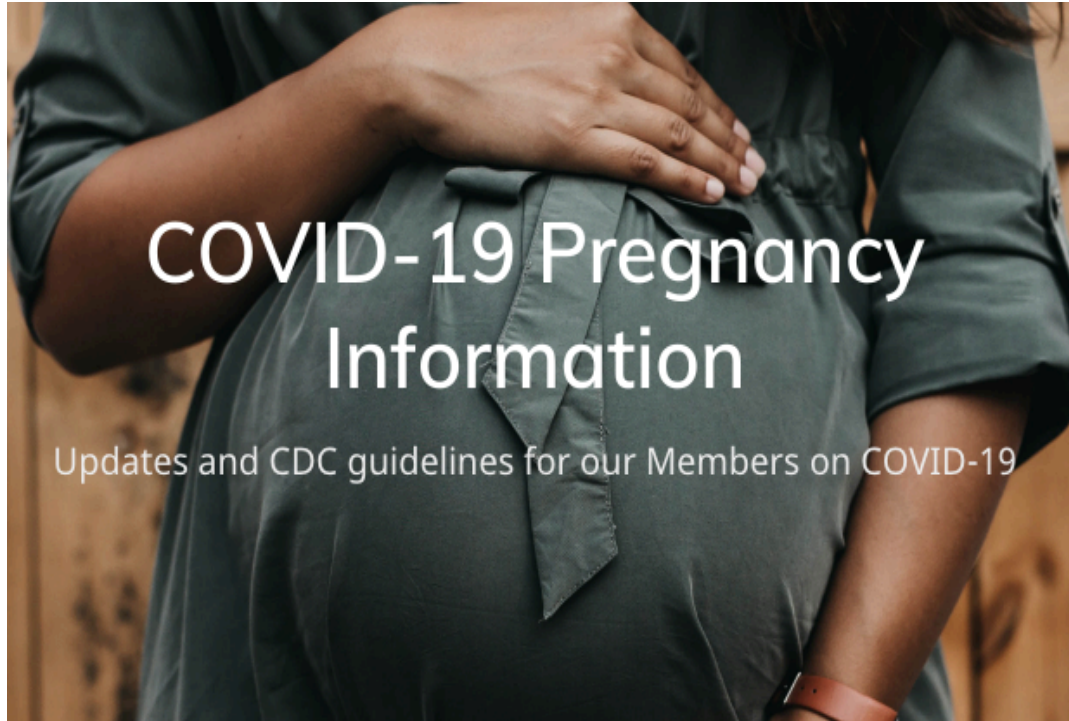


Obstetric Care and Breastfeeding: Positive or PUI



- Unknown if transmission through breastmilk.
- Breastmilk is best source of nutrition for most infants.
- For positive birth parents, decision to breastfeed should be product of shared decision-making.
 - all necessary precautions

Obstetric Care: Positive or PUI



Discharge

- Patients can be discharged when clinically indicated.
- Isolation should be maintained at home.

Baby-Friendly USA

- Onsite assessments through April 17th will be rescheduled.
- All designations and re-designations delayed until July.
- Statement from BFUSA:
 - *“We understand that **deviations in practice may be required** to respond to COVID-19 concerns, and we ask simply that you **clearly document the circumstances in these unique situations.**”*



Women Infants and Children (WIC)

- Most WIC clinics are still open.
- Some WIC clinics are allowing participants to stay in their vehicle for appointments.
- Stay tuned for informational email directly from WIC.
- WIC is updating list of approved grocery stores and hours of operation.
- Online nutrition education classes at WICHealth.org.

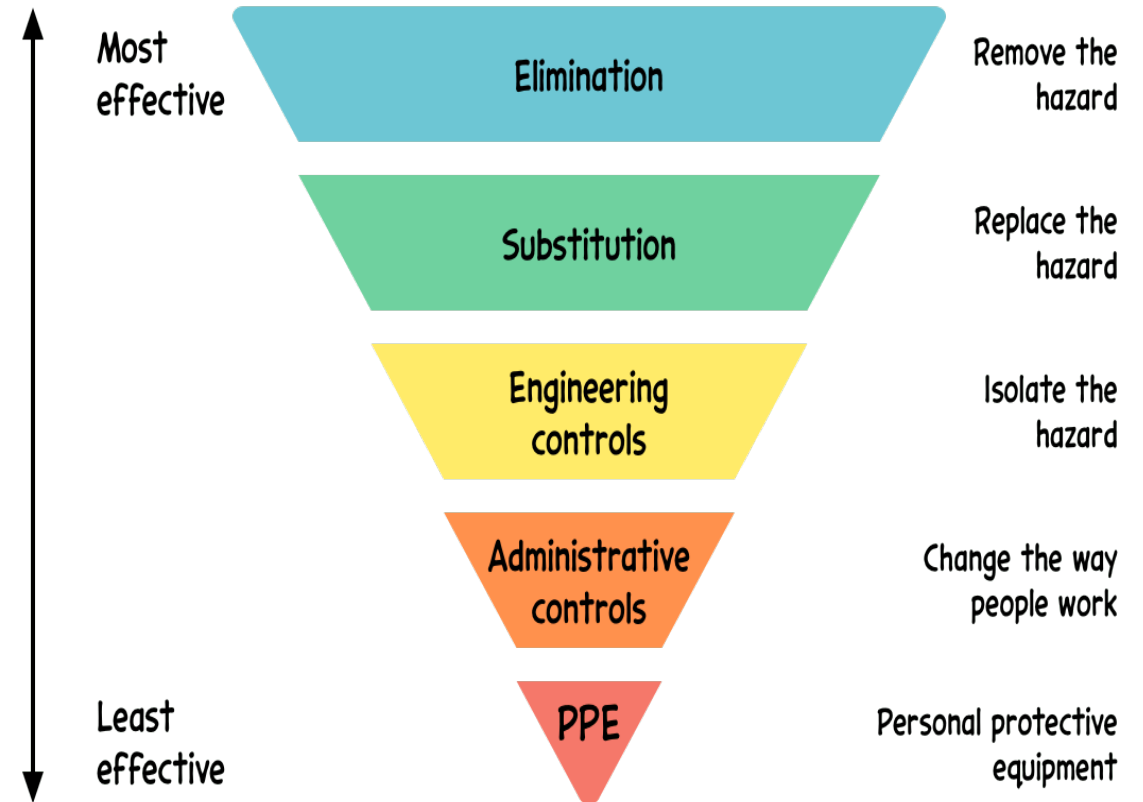


Hospital Preparedness

Engineering Controls – isolate people from the hazard

- use of airborne infection rooms (rooms with negative pressure)
- ventilation systems
- physical barriers (doors and windows)

HIERARCHY OF CONTROLS

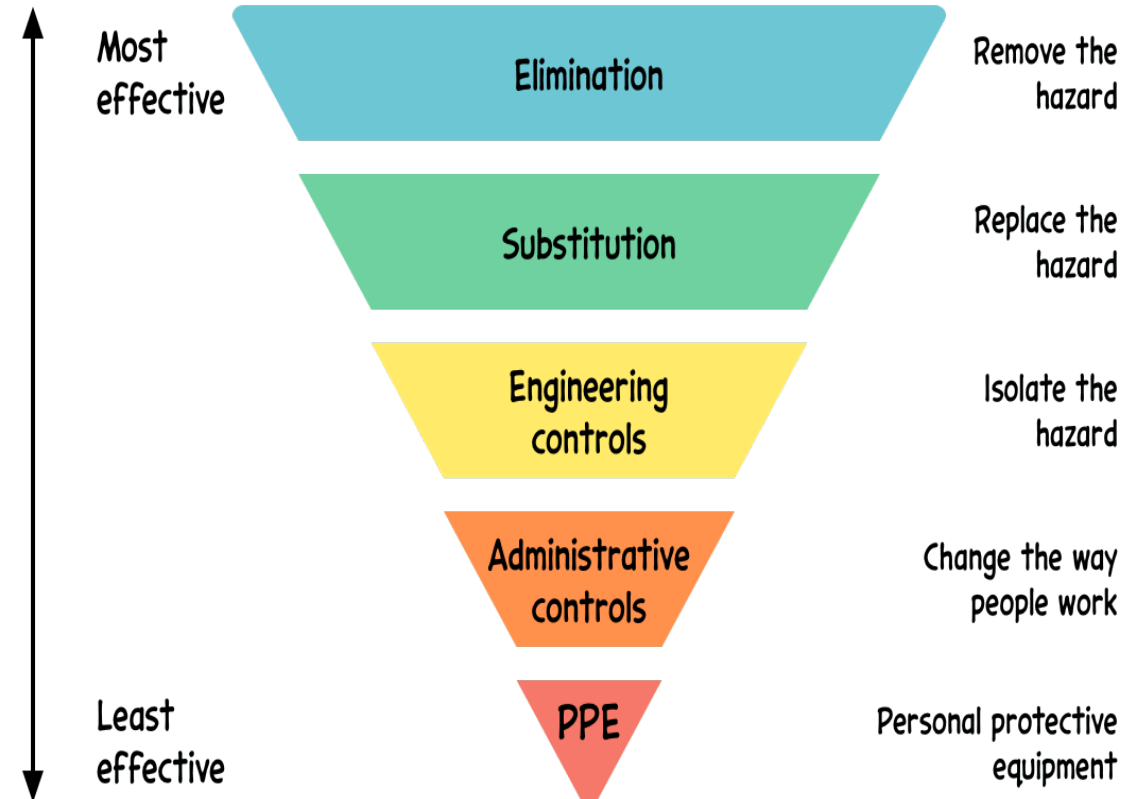


Hospital Preparedness

Administrative Controls – change the way people work

- limit providers not directly involved in patient care
- adhere to recommended work restrictions of exposed staff
- check for signs of illness before reporting
- make contingency plans for absenteeism

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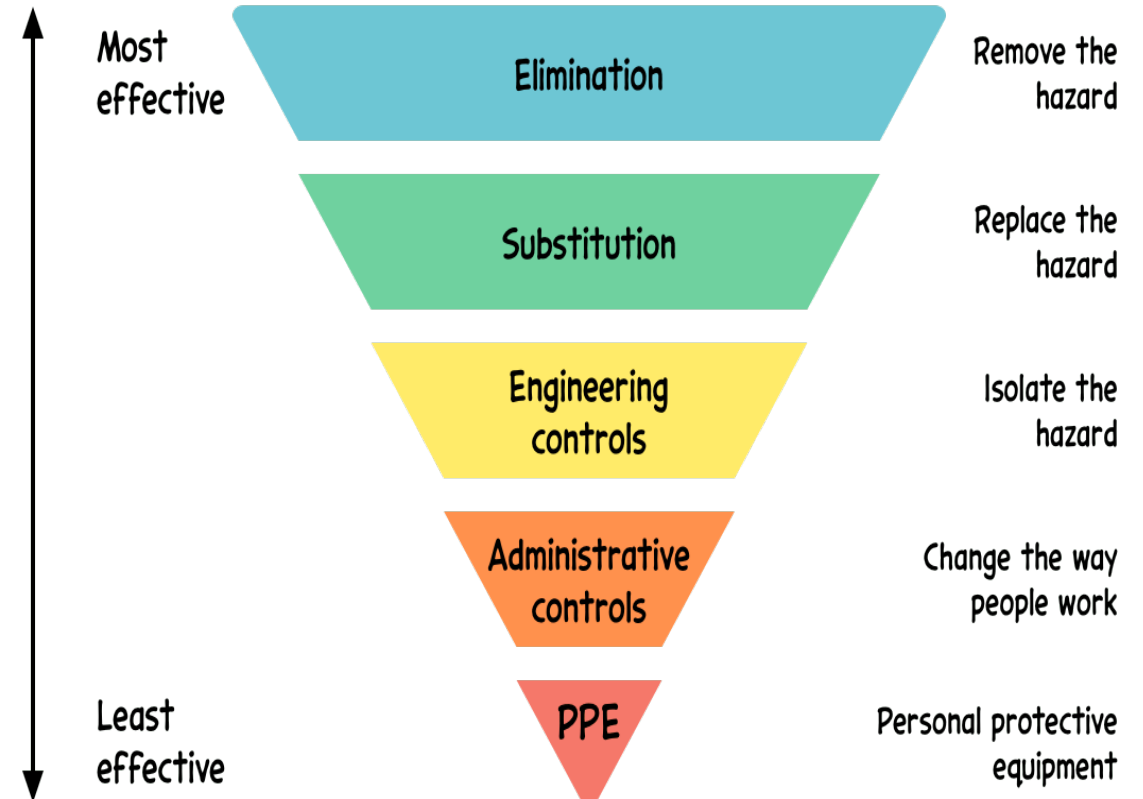


Hospital Preparedness

Administrative Controls – change the way people work

- decrease or exclude visitors
- manage visitor access and movement within the facility

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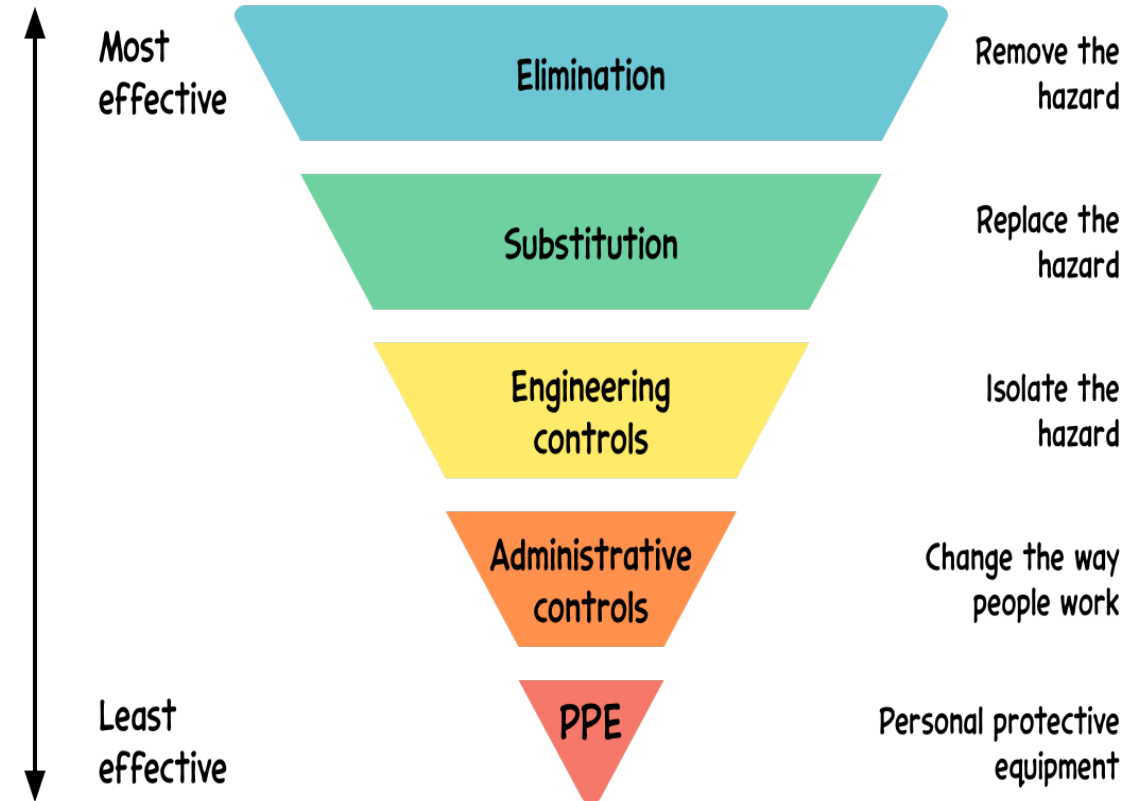


Hospital Preparedness

PPE: Personal Protective Equipment

- **ensure staff are trained** on proper use of PPE
- strategies for optimizing the supply of N95 respirators:
 - conventional capacity
 - contingency capacity
 - crisis alternate

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Reducing Stress

**EDUCATE YOURSELF ON
THE VARIOUS SYMPTOMS**



**ASK FOR HELP IF YOU'RE
FEELING OVERWHELMED**



**PREPARE FOR
COVID-19
BUT PREPARE
RESPONSIBLY**



**TAKE A BREAK FROM THE
DAILY COVERAGE OF THE VIRUS**



**ALLOW TIME FOR YOU AND
YOUR FAMILY TO RECOVER**



State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health

HEALTHCARE FACILITY NOTICE/ORDER
NOTICE #2020-COVID19-ALL-007

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TO: (1) All Licensed Health Care Facilities in Louisiana
(2) Healthcare Professionals licensed, certified, authorized, or permitted by any board, authority, or commission under LDH

FROM: LDH Office of Public Health
Jimmy Guidry, M.D., State Health Officer *Jimmy Guidry, M.D.*

RE: UPDATED NOTICE:
Medical and Surgical Procedures
Other Healthcare Services

DATE: March 21, 2020

This Healthcare Facility Notice will provide new information on Medical and Surgical Procedures, and shall supersede the information on Medical and Surgical Procedures in the LDH Notice #2020-COVID19-ALL-006 dated March 18, 2020; this Healthcare Facility Notice shall provide new information on other healthcare services. This directive is applicable to all licensed health care facilities in Louisiana, as well as all healthcare professionals licensed, certified, authorized, or permitted by any board, authority, or commission under LDH.

The State of Louisiana, Department of Health ("LDH"), is committed to taking critical steps to ensure public health and safety; to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the State of Louisiana, Department of Health, is **DIRECTING AND REQUIRING** that all licensed healthcare facilities in Louisiana and all healthcare professionals licensed, certified, authorized, or permitted by any board, authority, or commission that is under LDH, adhere to the following provisions, restrictions, and limitations, **EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**:

SECTION I. MEDICAL AND SURGICAL PROCEDURES¹

To aggressively address COVID-19, the Department takes the following measures to preserve Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and to utilize hospital staffing, equipment, and bed capacity for the transition to the COVID-19 emergency.

¹ Dental Providers should continue to follow LDH Notice #2020-COVID-19-Dental Provider-004, dated 3.17.2020, and the guidance posted on the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry website.

Surgical Procedures and Clinic Visits

MEMO FROM LDH

Any and all medical and surgical procedures that can be safely postponed for a period of 30-days, shall be postponed. The time period is March 19 through April 21.

EXCEPTIONS: Emergency medical conditions

- Placing the health of the individual (or, with respect to a pregnant woman, the health of the woman of her unborn child) in serious jeopardy
- - Serious impairment to bodily functions; or
- Serious dysfunction of bodily organs

All in-person visits are to be converted to telehealth visits.

All in-person visits must be postponed until 30-days



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