



May 1, 2020

U.S. Food and Drug Administration issues an Emergency Use Authorization for investigational antiviral drug remdesivir for the treatment of suspected or laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 in adults and children hospitalized with severe disease



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CDC develops the PPE Burn Rate Calculator, a spreadsheet-based model that will help healthcare facilities plan and optimize the use of PPE for response to COVID-19, and publishes it on the Apple and Android App stores.



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CDC launches the SARS-CoV-2 Sequencing for Public Health Emergency Response, Epidemiology and Surveillance (SPHERES), a consortium to expand the use of whole genome sequencing of the COVID-19 virus.



May 2, 2020

World Health Organization renews its emergency declaration from three months prior calling the pandemic a global health crisis.



May 8, 2020

News media outlets report that top White House officials shelve CDC "Guidance for Implementing the Opening Up America Again Framework" that include detailed advice on how to safely reopen the country.



May 9, 2020

U.S. unemployment rate at 14.7%, the worst rate since the Great Depression. With 20.5 million people out of work, hospitality, leisure, and healthcare industries taking the greatest hits. It is affecting low income and minority workers the most.



May 15, 2020

CDC distributes an alert through the Health Alert Network describing multisystem inflammatory syndrome related to SARS-CoV-2 infection in children.



May 28, 2020

United States coronavirus (COVID-19) death toll surpasses 100,000.



June 4, 2020

U.S. Health and Human Services announces new laboratory data reporting guidance for COVID-19 testing to include demographic data on race, ethnicity, age, and sex.