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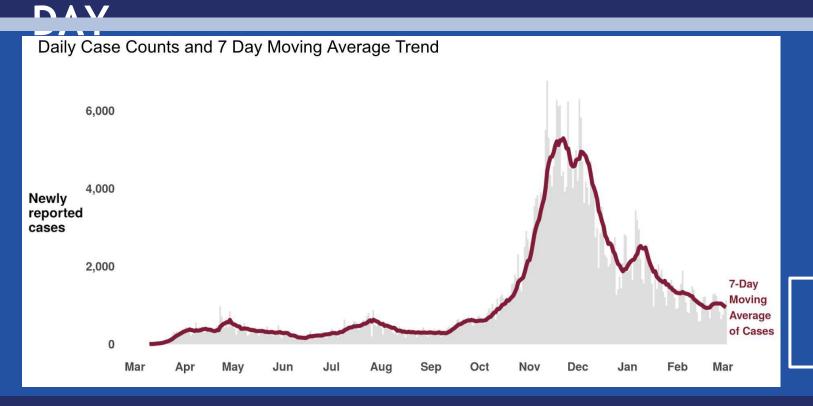


## EPIDEMIOLOGY UPDATE

#### **NEW COVID-19 VARIANTS IN COLORADO**

- Colorado has confirmed 115 cases of the B.1.1.7 variant of concern and 72 cases of the B.1.427/B.1.429 (L452R) variant under investigation.
- No confirmed cases of B.1.351 (South Africa), P1 (Brazil), or the recently reported variant under investigation in NYC, B.1.526.
- Currently 3-6% of the specimens we are testing weekly by whole genome sequencing are the B.1.1.7 variant
- We are currently using all the tools available to protect public health and mitigate the spread of this variant

## 7-DAY AVERAGE OF CASES REPORTED BY

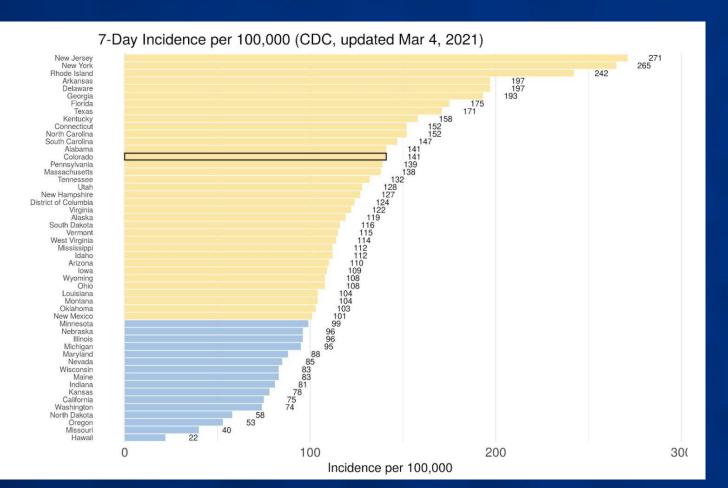


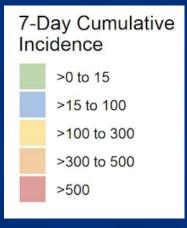
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March 4

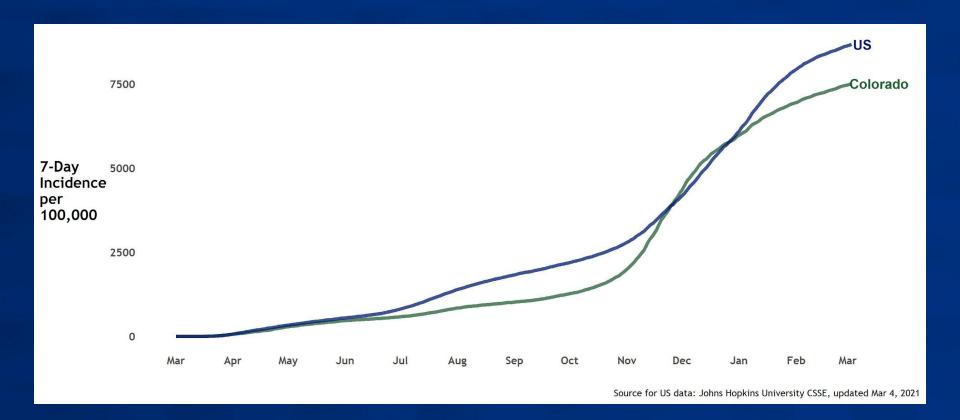


#### **COLORADO COMPARED TO OTHER STATES**



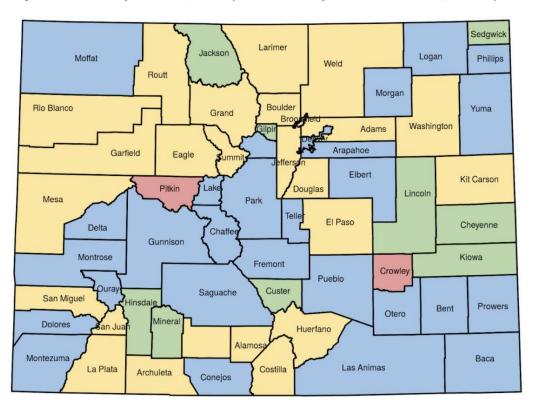


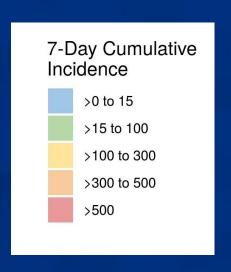
## Colorado's 7-day incidence compared to U.S.



#### 7 DAY INCIDENCE PER 100,000

7-Day Incidence per 100,000 (CEDRS, updated Mar 04, 2021)

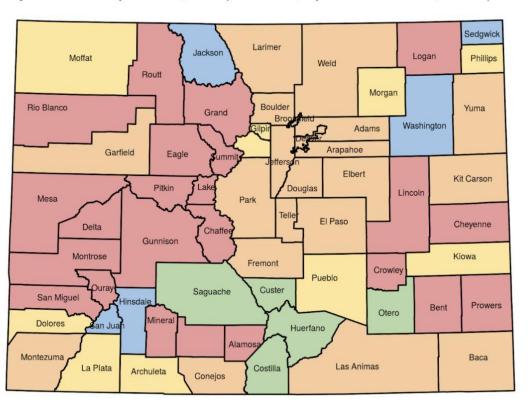


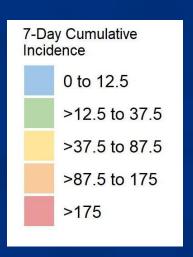


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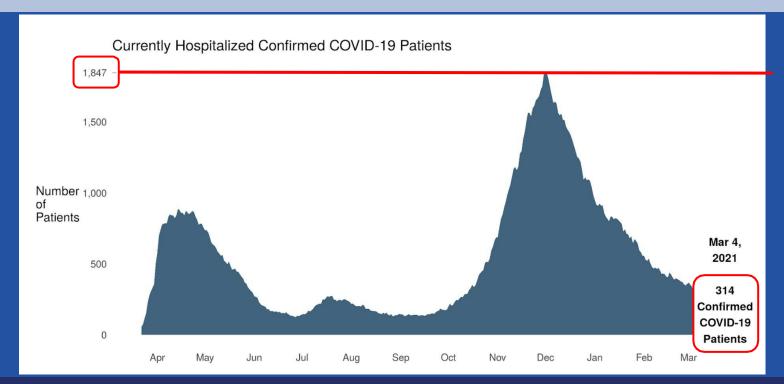




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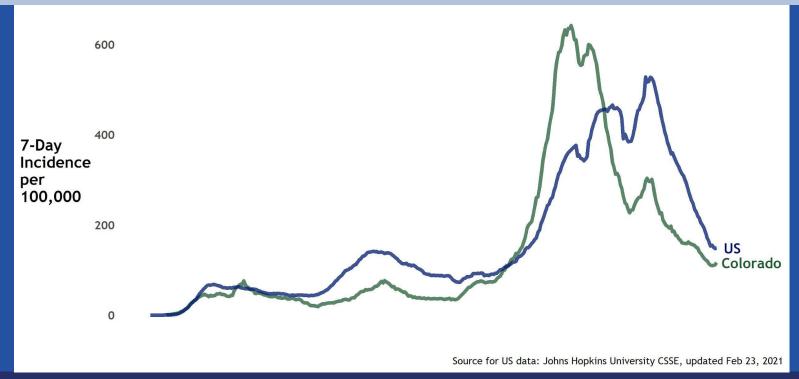
# HOSPITALS AND LONG-TERM CARE UPDATE

## CURRENTLY HOSPITALIZED CONFIRMED COVID-19 PATIENTS



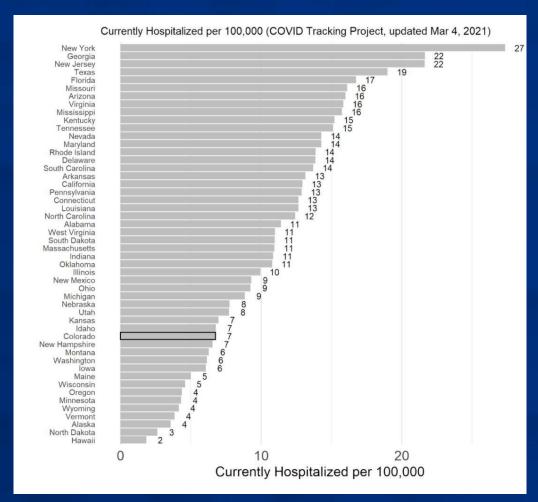


## U.S. HOSPITALIZATIONS VS COLORADO

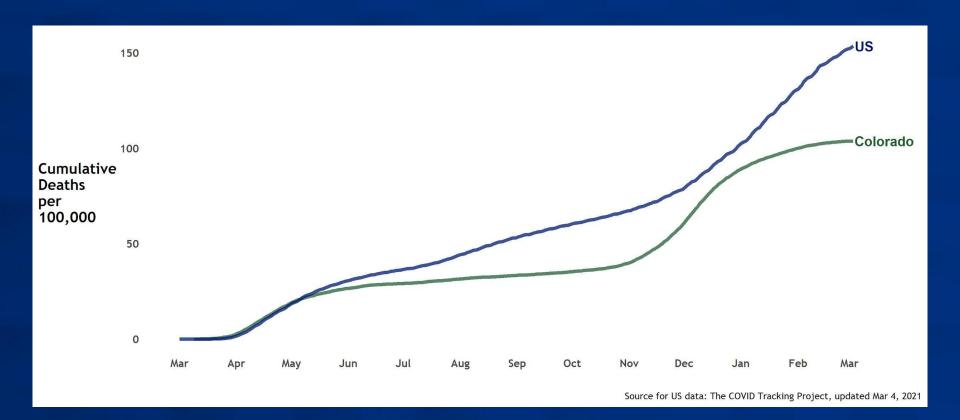




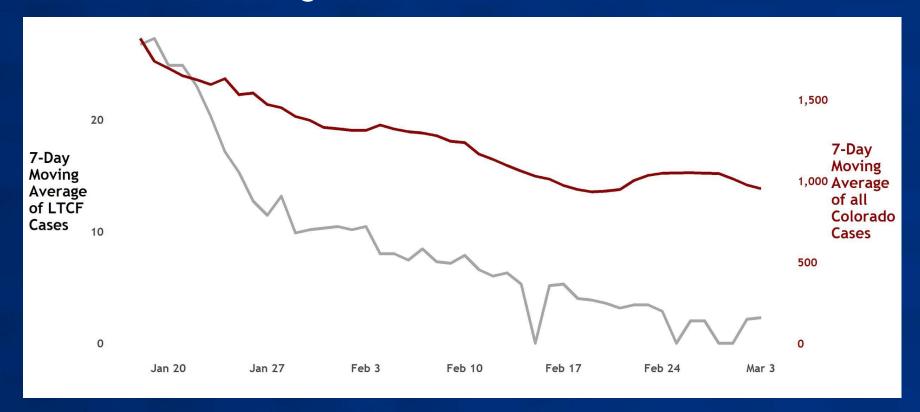
#### **COLORADO HOSPITALIZATIONS COMPARED TO OTHER STATES**



## Colorado deaths compared to U.S.



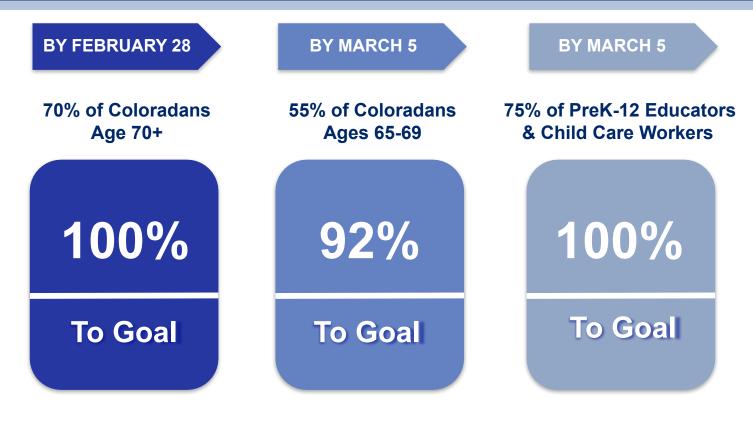
# Cases in Long Term Care Facilities are declining rapidly since vaccination began.



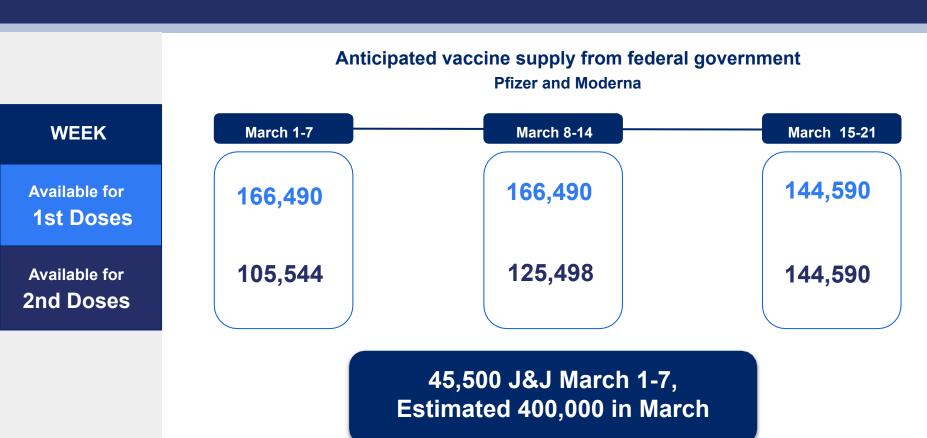
## **VACCINE UPDATE**

## **Update On Phase 1B.1 & 1B.2 Vaccination Goals 1B.2**

Ages 70+, 65-69, PreK-12 Educators and Child Care and Child Care Workers in Licensed Programs



## **Estimated Weekly Vaccine Supply**



## Phase 1A, 1B.1, 1B.2, 1B.3, & 1B.4 Timeline

## PHASE 1A STARTED DECEMBER

- Highest-risk health care workers and individuals
- Long-term care facility staff and residents

## PHASE 1B.1 STARTED DEC 30

- People ages 70+
   Moderate-risk health care workers, and first responders: Health care workers with less direct contact with COVID-19 patients, and EMS Firefighters, police, COVID-19
- response personnel, correctional workers, and funeral services

#### PHASE 1B.2 STARTED FEB 8

- People ages 65-69
  PreK-12 educators
  (full-time and substitutes:
  bus, food, counselors,
  administrative, safety, and
  other support services
  offered inside the school.
- licensed child care programs
  Continuity of state
  government: select
  members of the Executive,

Child care workers in

Legislative and Judicial branches government

#### PHASE 1B.3 STARTS MARCH 5

Frontline essential workers in food and agriculture: grocery workers, meatpacking workers, agricultural processing workers.
People age 16-64 with 2 or more high risk conditions
People age 60 and older

## PHASE 1B.4 EST. LATE MARCH

People age 50 and older

- Student-facing higher
  education faculty and staff
  Frontline essential workers in:
  food/restaurant services,
  manufacturing, U.S. postal
  service, public transit and
  specialized transportation,
  public health, and human
- Faith leaders
  Frontline essential direct care
  providers for Coloradans
  experiencing homelessness

services.

- Frontline essential journalists
  Continuity of local government
- Continuation of operations for state government Adults who received a placebo during a COVID-19 vaccine clinical trial
  - People 16-49 with one of the listed higher risk conditions

The intent of these classifications is to prioritize people who work in close contact with many people, those with high risk conditions, and to ensure continuity of local and state government.

## HOMEBOUND OLDER COLORADANS

## Homebound Vaccine Administration

#### In-home administration

- 1. Empower and mobilize Class A home care agencies
- 2. Potential partnership with mobile primary care provider to handle scheduling, mapping, and administrative steps with home care agencies

#### **Expand transportation options**

- 1. Coordinate with cross agency team, MPOs, and local transit providers
- 2. Utilize existing statewide NEMT brokerage network
- 3. Lyft codes for vaccine appointments

## **2021 WORK PRIORITIES**

## Lifelong Colorado and Livable Communities

**Target:** Support the recruitment of five municipal or county jurisdictions in-line with Lifelong Colorado initiative

**Strategy:** State-level interagency coordination and direct engagement with local elected officials and community organizations

#### **Deliverables:**

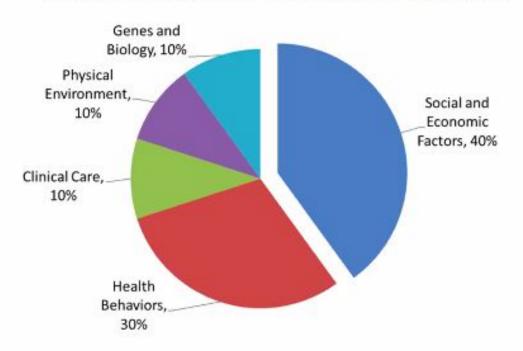
- 1. Develop Lifelong Colorado State Plan March 31, 2021
- 2. Develop a livable communities best practices guide in partnership with Department of Local Affairs July 1, 2021
- 3. Host a series of webinars targeting local elected officials, city managers, and city planners August 1, 2021







#### Factors that Determine Health



#### Chronic Conditions by the Numbers in the United States

- 80% of adults aged 65+ living with a chronic condition
- 68% of adults aged 65+ have two or more chronic conditions
- 86% of overall health care spending
- 95% of overall health care spending among adults aged 65+
- 1% of overall health care spending on prevention and public health

#### 10 Steps for Achievement

- 1. Collect, analyze, and disseminate data and other information on the health and wellbeing of older adults.
- 2. Engage older adults to identify and address priority issues on their health and wellbeing (e.g., social determinants of health).
- 3. Meet and partner with organizations serving older adults such as local Area Agencies on Aging and other community-based organizations.
- 4. Designate one or more staff persons to be the health department's coordinators and lead its healthy aging efforts.
- 5. Review existing public health programs to assess if and how they serve older adults.
- 6. Adapt work of existing programs to address the needs of older adults.
- 7. Ensure that public health emergency preparedness addresses the needs of older adults, particularly the most vulnerable and their caregivers.
- 8. Participate in training and educational programs offered by Trust for America's Health and others.
- 9. Engage with and support AARP and World Health Organization livable community efforts.
- 10. Engage and align with hospitals and health systems.



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