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Please see the below, and attached, information from our partners in the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) regarding an update on the Whole-of-America response to COVID-19.

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# FEMA Advisory

## Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic: Whole-of-America Response

Attached you will find today's FEMA Daily Briefing Points for the Whole-of-America response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. These briefing points include Topline Messages, as well as information on Supply Chain Task Force; By the Numbers; FEMA and Department of Health and Human Services Response; and Guidance from Federal Agencies. Topline messaging includes:

- As of **May 5**, FEMA, HHS, and the private sector combined have coordinated the delivery of or are currently shipping: 86.1 million N95 respirators, 123.5 million surgical masks, 8.2 million face shields, 19.4 million surgical gowns, 948.6 million gloves, 10,663 ventilators and 8,450 federal medical station beds.
  - [FEMA is coordinating two shipments](#) totaling a 14-day supply of personal protective equipment to all 15,400 Medicaid and Medicare-certified nursing homes. The shipments are meant to supplement existing efforts to provide equipment to nursing homes.
- As of **May 5**, CDC, state, and local public health labs and other laboratories have tested more than 7.4 million samples.
  - HHS and FEMA have expanded items supplied by the [International Reagent Resource \(IRR\)](#) to help public health labs access free diagnostics supplies and reagents.
  - As of **May 4**, the FDA has issued 60 individual [emergency use authorizations](#) for test kit manufacturers and laboratories.
- While FEMA continues to lead the federal operations to the whole-of-America response to the pandemic, the agency continues to prepare for and respond to other disasters that may occur during this time.

- This week is Hurricane Preparedness Week and there has been great interest in how FEMA is preparing to lead response and recovery efforts for additional disasters, such as hurricanes, during the COVID-19 environment.
- FEMA has already responded to severe weather during this pandemic, with devastating tornadoes in the southeast, while the agency also prepares for the start of the 2020 hurricane season in just less than a month.
- FEMA continues to take deliberate and proactive steps to safeguard our ability to respond and recover from future disaster that may arise during this pandemic.
- On April 27, President Trump unveiled the [Opening Up America Again Testing Overview](#) and [Testing Blueprint](#) designed to facilitate state development and implementation of the robust testing plans and rapid response programs described in the President’s [Guidelines for Opening Up America Again](#).
  - The President’s Testing Blueprint sets forth the partnership between federal, state, local, and tribal governments, along with the private-sector and professional associations, all of which play important roles in meeting the Nation’s testing needs.
- To support the Administration’s [Testing Blueprint](#), FEMA is working to source and procure testing material – specifically, testing swabs and transport media.
  - The FEMA-sourced material will be provided to states, territories and tribes for a limited duration to help increase testing capacity in support of their individualized plans.

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