



**Wisconsin
Cancer
Collaborative**
REDUCING THE BURDEN TOGETHER

COVID-19 & Cancer: *Where are we now?*

Thursday, December 10, 10:00-11:00

Who We Are

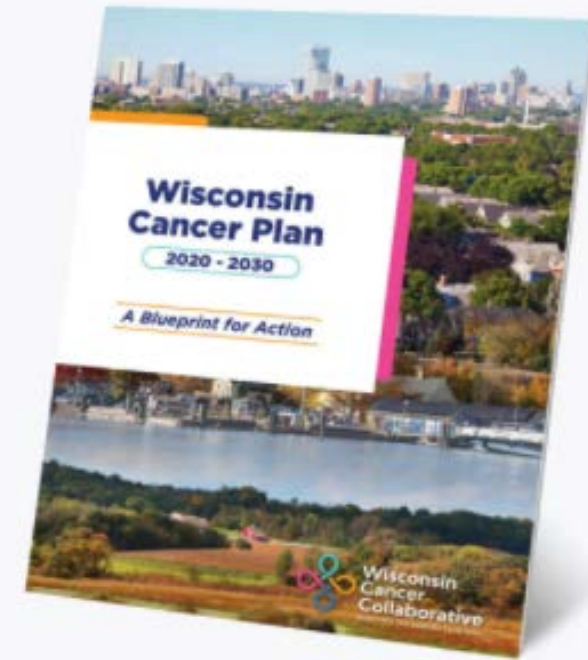
The **Wisconsin Cancer Collaborative** is a statewide coalition of **140 organizations** working together to reduce the burden of cancer **for everyone** in Wisconsin.

Join Us!



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Wisconsin Cancer Plan 2020-2030



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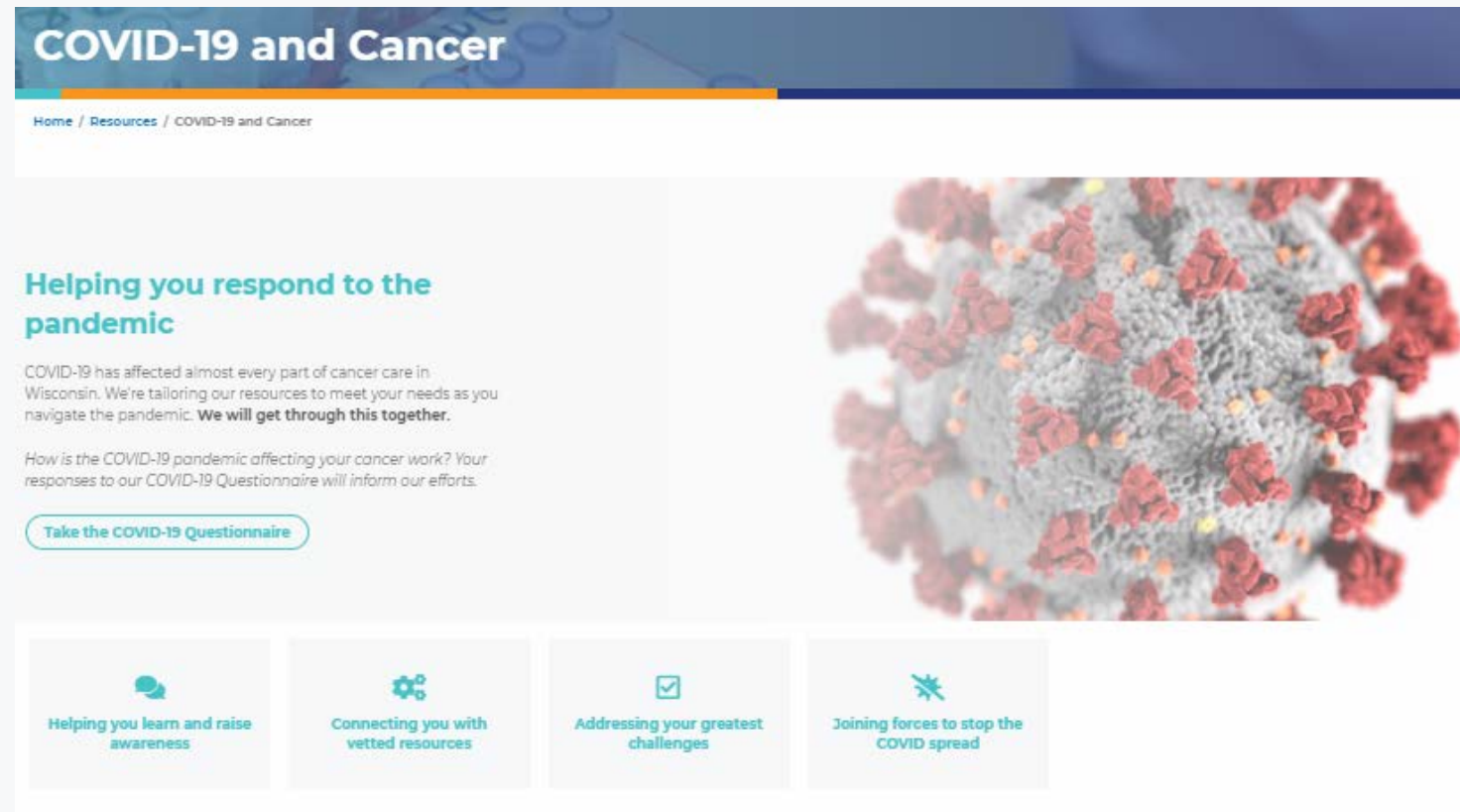
Agenda

- **Welcome**
- **COVID-19 Update**
- **Facilitated Discussion
w/Dr. Noelle LoConte and
Dr. Pat Remington**
- **Questions**



Check out our COVID-19 & Cancer Resource Page

- Social media toolkits
- Links to research articles
- Past COVID-19 webinars
- Tips for local governments & businesses



The screenshot shows the 'COVID-19 and Cancer' resource page. At the top, there is a header with the title 'COVID-19 and Cancer' and a breadcrumb trail: 'Home / Resources / COVID-19 and Cancer'. Below the header, there is a large image of a coronavirus particle. To the left of the image, the text reads: 'Helping you respond to the pandemic'. Below this, it states: 'COVID-19 has affected almost every part of cancer care in Wisconsin. We're tailoring our resources to meet your needs as you navigate the pandemic. **We will get through this together.**' A link 'Take the COVID-19 Questionnaire' is provided. Below the main text, there are four icons with corresponding text: 'Helping you learn and raise awareness', 'Connecting you with vetted resources', 'Addressing your greatest challenges', and 'Joining forces to stop the COVID spread'.

New Resource Coming Soon!

“Cancer Tests & Screenings: How to Safely Get Tested for Cancer during COVID-19”

- Developed in partnership with the Wisconsin Well Woman Program and Covering Wisconsin



Cancer Tests & Screenings
How to Safely Get Tested for Cancer during COVID-19

Have you been afraid to get care because of COVID-19?
It is safe to go to your doctor for check-ups and tests.
Some tests can even be done at home. Ask your clinic what tests you need.

What are screenings?
Cancer screenings are tests to check for cancer.
Many cancer tests are covered by health insurance.

What are clinics doing to keep you safe?

- Exam rooms and wait areas are carefully cleaned
- Doctors use masks and protective equipment
- Patients are checked for COVID symptoms at the door

COVID-19 safety basics to protect your health:

- Wear a mask in public
- Keep 6 feet apart
- Wash hands often or use hand sanitizer

What's free with health insurance?

What's free with most insurance?

For all adults:	For women:
• Lung cancer tests	• Breast cancer tests
• Colon cancer tests	• Cervical cancer tests
• Help to stop smoking	
• Help to stop drinking	

If you don't have health insurance:
You can go to a free clinic or community health center for low-cost options.
Call the 2-1-1 helpline and ask for health insurance help or a free clinic near you.

Call your insurance company for a complete list of free screenings and ask about the cost of follow up care.

It's best to find and treat cancer fast

Don't wait to get a cancer test!

Finding cancer early can:

- Save your life
- Prevent the spread to other body parts
- Be easier to treat
- Cause less health issues

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January Networking Webinar - Registration Opening Soon!

January's webinar will take place on the **3rd Thursday** of the month.

Will feature Dr. James Conway discussing the COVID-19 vaccine.

MORE DETAILS TO COME!

<https://wicancer.org/events/webinars/>





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Wisconsin Update

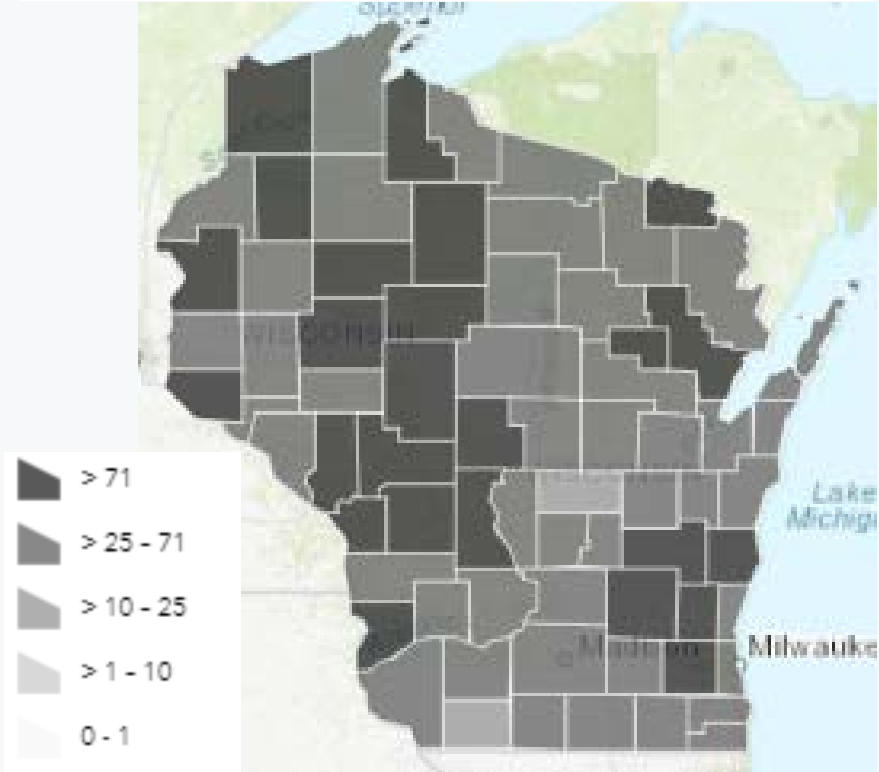
As of December 9th, Wisconsin has:

- 2,216,057 negative test results
- 422,065 positive test results
- 18,715 ever hospitalized
- 3,887 deaths



<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/data.htm>

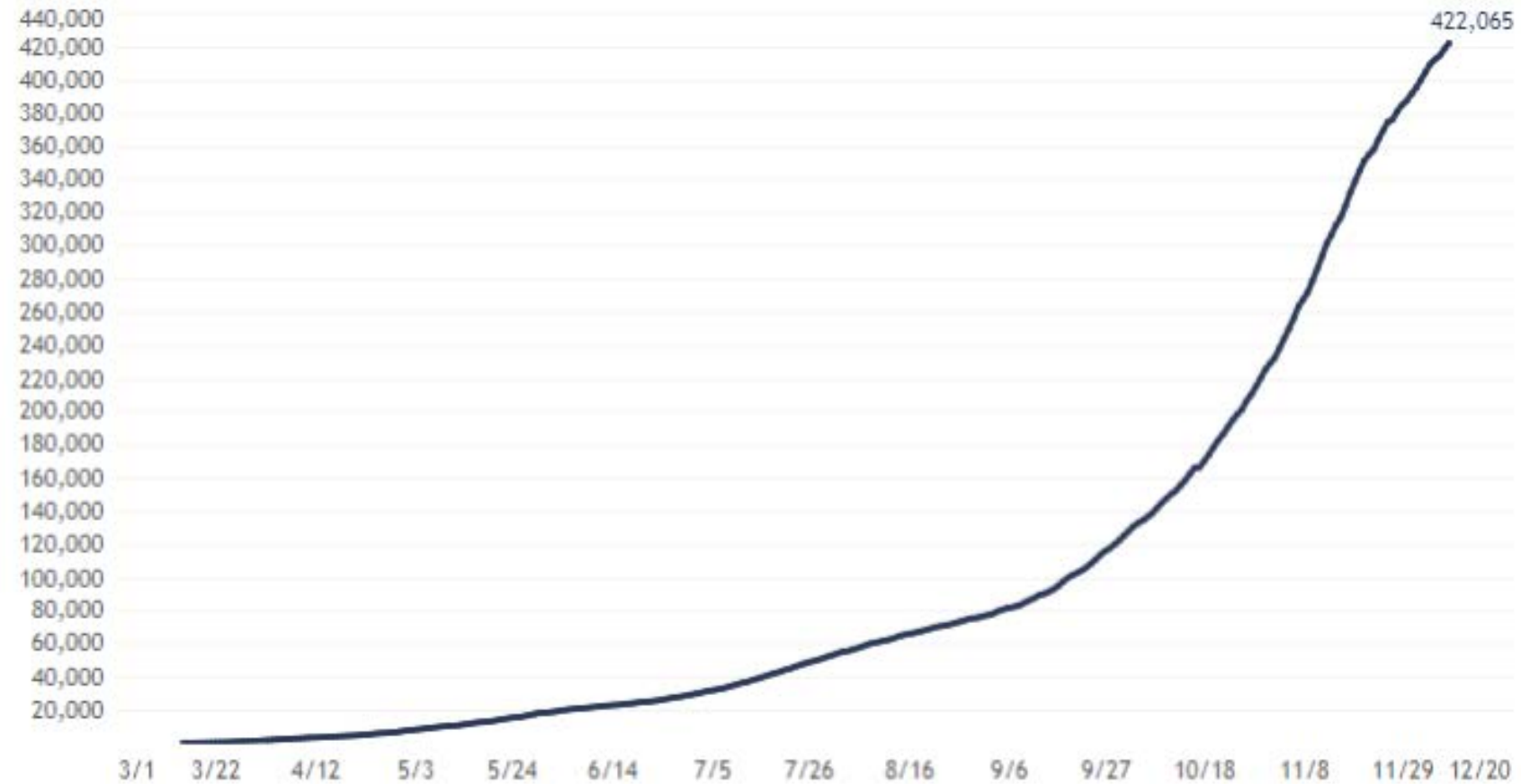
COVID-19 Cases | 7-Day Average of New Confirmed Cases per 100,000 Population by County Boundary



Wisconsin Cases - Trends

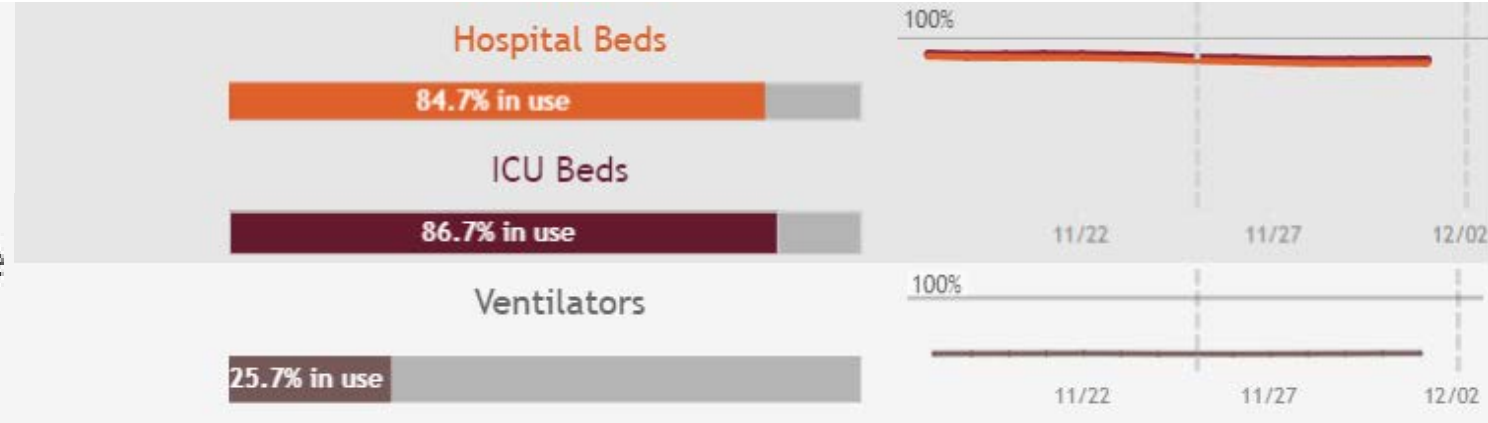
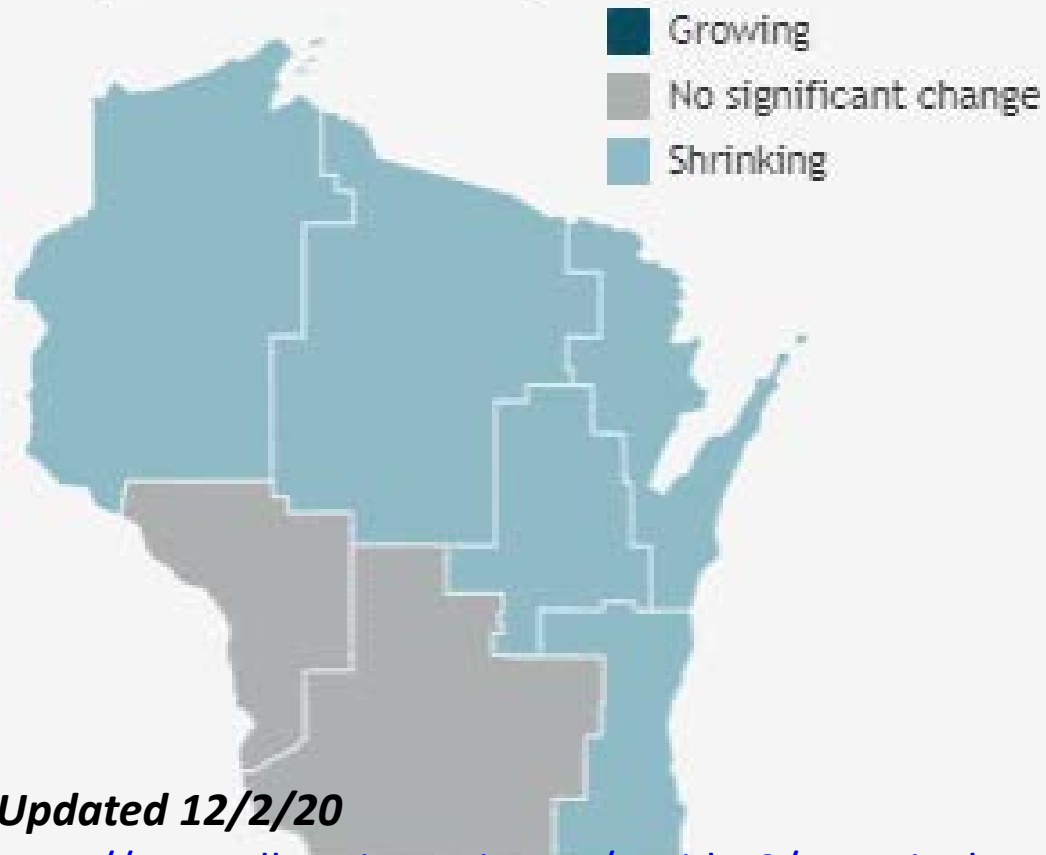
Cumulative total confirmed COVID-19 cases by date confirmed

Updated: 12/9/2020

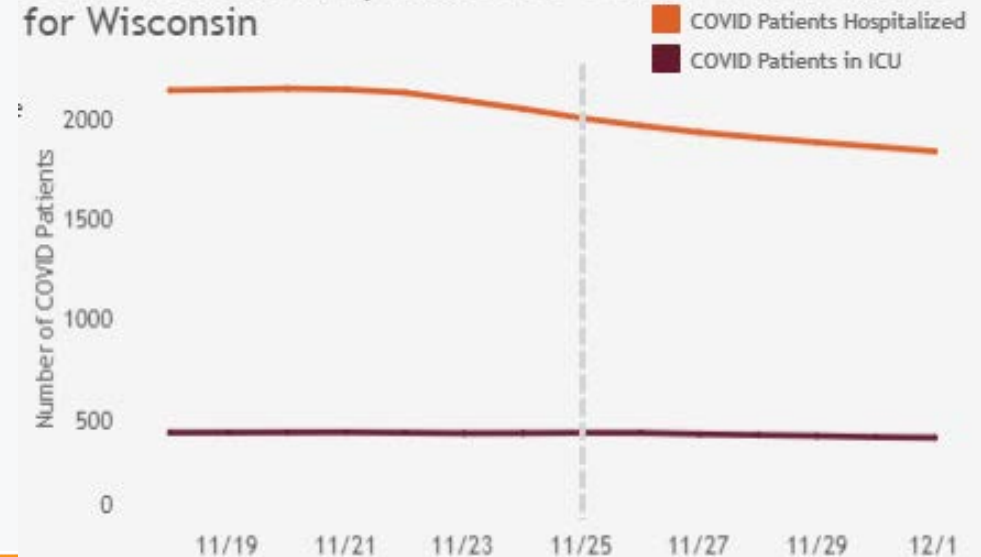


Hospital Capacity

Trajectory of COVID Patient Hospitalizations by Region



COVID Patients Hospitalized vs COVID Patients in ICU for Wisconsin



Updated 12/2/20

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/capacity.htm>

COVID-19 and Inequities

COVID-19
**disproportionately
impacts** certain
communities in
Wisconsin





Dr. Noelle LoConte

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Q&A with Dr. LoConte & Dr. Remington





What is the risk of COVID to cancer survivors?



What could have been done better if we had the chance to do it over?



What is the risk of starting or continuing chemotherapy during the pandemic?



Skepticism on the effectiveness of masking & social distancing remains, despite thorough evidence indicating that they are effective. Given this, can you discuss “harm reduction” approaches for COVID?



What are the best approaches for oncology telemedicine?



What do you think COVID vaccination efforts will look like?



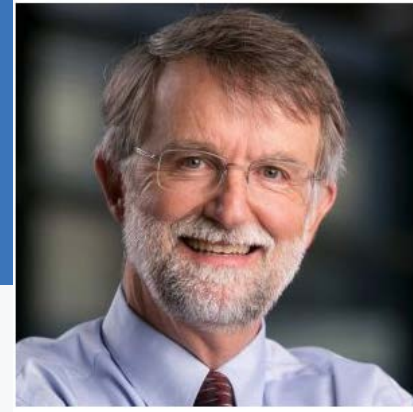
Should radiation or surgery be delayed due to COVID?



When do you foresee an end to this pandemic?



What is the best practice for cancer treatment management if patients become COVID positive during treatment?



What changes made as a result of COVID19 are likely to stay after the pandemic is past us?

Questions? Comments?

Please take our poll! Will pop up on your screens shortly.

Thank you!

Thank you for joining!
Stay well!

