

TODAY IN WASHINGTON - MAY 7, 2020: COVID-19 UPDATES

THURSDAY, MAY 7 RECAP

Note – We believe this is the most up-to-date information available at this time, but it is subject to change as circumstances warrant. Also, all finalized resources can be found on the [COVID-19 Resource Center page of Hall Render's website](#).

HHS EXTENDS DEADLINE FOR ATTESTATION, ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PROVIDER RELIEF FUNDS

- HHS has **extended the deadline** for health care providers to attest to receipt of payments from the Provider Relief Fund and accept the **Terms and Conditions**. Providers will now have 45 days, increased from 30 days, from the date they receive a payment to attest and accept the Terms and Conditions or return the funds.

HHS AWARDS FUNDS TO EXPAND COVID-19 TESTING

- The Health Resources and Services Administration **awarded** nearly \$583 million to 1,385 HRSA-funded health centers in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and eight U.S. territories to expand COVID-19 testing.

FROM THE FDA

- The FDA **released Frequently Asked Questions** on shortages of surgical masks and gowns during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The FDA **issued a letter to health care providers** on how certain filtering facepiece respirators from China may not provide adequate respiratory protection.
- The FDA **issued Frequently Asked Questions** on the EUAs for non-NIOSH approved respirators during the COVID-19 pandemic.

CONGRESSIONAL OUTLOOK

- House Democratic leaders said today they still plan to release their proposal for the next stimulus bill before the end of this week and hold a vote on it next week. On a call with members of her caucus today, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said the measure will contain three major parts: relief for state and local governments; funds for testing and other needs for reopening the country; and “putting money in the pockets of the American people.”

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