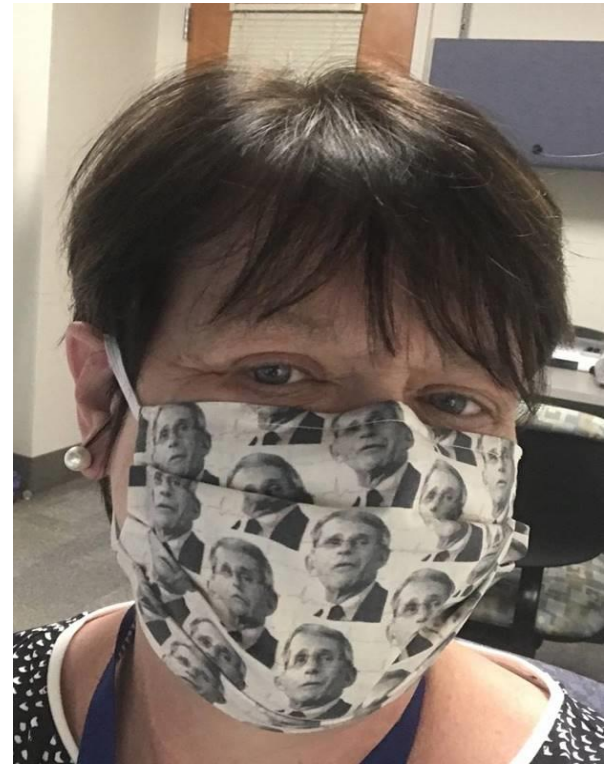


COVID *in 20*



- Call starts at 4:30 pm ET
- Audio
 - Participants are muted – use Q & A to interact
 - Use Adobe Connect to listen
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- Recordings will be available soon after the live event at [EM Community of Practice Website](#).
- Adobe Connect accessible outside the network – on your personal computer and phone.

RECOVERY Trial – Preliminary Results

- Large simple randomized trial comparing dexamethasone 6 mg (IV or PO, daily, up to 10 days) to usual care in hospitalized patients with COVID-19
- Conducted at 176 hospitals in the UK, N=6,425 (1:2 randomization)
- Patients: mean age 66 years, 63% men, mean symptom duration 9 days
 - At randomization: 16% on mechanical ventilation or ECMO, 60% on supplemental oxygen, 24% on neither
- Dexamethasone reduced overall age-adjusted 28-day mortality by 17% (21.6% vs RR 0.83; 95%CI 0.74 to 0.92; P<0.001)
 - Mortality reduction was greatest (29.0% vs 40.7%, RR 0.65 [95%CI 0.51 to 0.82]; p<0.001) for adult patients on mechanical ventilation or ECMO
 - Mortality was reduced by about 20% (21.5% vs 25.0%, RR 0.80 [95% CI 0.70 to 0.92]; p=0.002) in patients on supplemental oxygen
 - Dexamethasone did not reduce mortality in patients not receiving supplemental oxygen (17.0% vs 13.2%, RR 1.22 [95% CI 0.93 to 1.61]; p=0.14)
 - This result could represent a concerning signal for harm in this group
 - In prespecified subgroups, dexamethasone's benefit may be limited to men, individuals age <70 years, and those having symptoms > 7 days prior to treatment

CONGRATULATIONS MR. EDWARD PAYTON!!

On June 30, Mr. Edward Payton will assume the chief of MAS role. Mr. Payton currently serves as the deputy chief of the Medical Administration Service. Prior to that, he served in various roles to include the business manager, ambulatory and emergency care clinical center, acting group practice manager and administrative officer.

Mr. Payton serves as a subject matter expert on Clinic Practice Management, and he currently co-chairs the National VHA MAS/HAS/Business Office Chiefs group. Mr. Payton is committed to continuous growth and development. He served as the Board Chair for the Family Health Centers of Baltimore from 2016-2018 and is an active member in the American College of Healthcare Executive (ACHE) and the National Association of Health Service Executives (NAHSE).



NEW CHIEF OF MAS, SE Louisiana Veterans HCS

Canadian Artists: Salute to Bill Withers and Essential Workers “Lean on Me”



WELCOME

Mr. Harvey Johnson

Executive Director of the Office of
Resolution Management, Diversity
Inclusion

Dr. Ernest Moy

Director of the VHA Office of Health Equity

Dr. Wendell Jones

Chief Medical Officer VISN 17



COVID Unplugged

An Independence Day
special 1-hour live event
of COVID in 20

**Air date: Thursday
July 2nd @ 430 EST**

- Return of past presenters discussing lessons learned
- Live music
- Tribute to the armed forces



GOOD NEWS PAGE

The CHAI Award



CCOVID-19 HHero AAward for IInnovation

*An award to celebrate **hard work and innovation** in the face of COVID*

Not your average cup of Chai!

We would love to hear your stories!

Have good news, success stories, innovative ideas from the front line, funny videos?

Please share them with us!

We will feature selected stories here!

- Please submit videos in .mov or .MP4 format
- Try to keep videos around a minute long
- If recording on a smartphone, shoot video sideways
- We plan to share one submission per *COVID in 20* episode.
- Be creative!

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