

Weekly Wrap Up - Week 43

Hospitals throughout Nevada continue to have fundamental challenges related to staffing. More than a third of all short-term acute care hospitals report staffing shortages that are anticipated to continue for a significant timeframe. Nevada continues to experience slow declines in COVID-19 hospitalizations in each region and behavioral stability related to mask-wearing, social distancing, and other infection control measures. Influenza is not prevalent in the state, and influenza hospitalizations are essentially nonexistent at this time.



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	PPE	Supplies	Vents	Staffing	% of Patients in the hospital with COVID	% of Patients in the ICUs with COVID	Hosp. Occupancy Rates (All-Hazard)	ICU Occupancy Rates (All-Hazard)
NORTH	Green	Yellow	Green	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Orange	Orange
SOUTH	Green	Yellow	Green	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
RURAL	Green	Yellow	Green	Red	Yellow	Orange	Yellow	Yellow

What Does This Mean ?

The table visually communicates the relative level of concern being experienced within the hospital infrastructure. This table aggregates individual hospital reporting, discussions with hospital leaders and effect of mitigation measures being employed.

No Concern

Watch

Warning

Alert

Crisis

No Concern, hospitals are functioning in a conventional manner. **Watch**, we are studying the various metrics and mitigation controls to manage hospital operations. **Warning**, hospitals are employing mitigation methods and using various contingencies to manage upward trends. **Alert**, immediate additional mitigation methods are required to keep the hospital system operational. **Crisis**, hospitals are experiencing conditions that limit the ability to provide adequate patient care.

Risk Table Highlights: Staffing continues to be a concern within the healthcare sector. A tight labor market, particularly in licensed and skilled professions, is making retention and recruitment challenging and contributing to wage inflation. Cross-sector (transportation) interdependencies, trucking, and port congestion are the issues that cause "supplies" to remain in watch status. Behavioral stability within the Nevada population is contributing to a stable, slowly declining rate of hospitalizations as well as a slow uptake of vaccine booster shots. All-hazard occupancies, in relation to staffed beds, remain in the watch-warning continuum.