

COVID-19 News Articles and Resources

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The KCN will be in communication with local CASA programs about COVID-19 guidance, including with staff, board members, and volunteers. Refer to the page <u>posted on our website</u> for programmatic information. We will be sharing additional news articles and resources that may be useful. If you would like to see resources about specific topics, please <u>contact us</u>.

News Articles & General Information

- Special COVID-19 health insurance enrollment period begins; Kyians have until May 15 to choose a plan
- Improve how your mask protects you (Feb. 10)
- <u>When to Quarantine (CDC guidance Feb. 11)</u>
- Red Zone Counties Recommendations & Daily Incidence Rate Map
- Kids, Families and COVID-19: Pandemic Pain Points and the Urgent Need to Respond
- How the CARES Act changes deducting charitable contributions
- Home internet assistance options designed to make communication services affordable for low-income families. The following programs are designed to offer robust internet access to underserved rural areas ensuring affordability: (shared by KY Lt. Gov)
 - <u>Lifeline Program</u>: A program funded by the <u>FCC</u> to expand subsidized broadband options for low-income families by allowing households to have two connections over mobile and fixed broadband; full list of providers available <u>here</u>.
 - <u>Broadband Now</u>: A system collecting and analyzing internet provider's coverage and availability to make the most accurate search available. Results are specific to your area and help consumers find and compare <u>local internet options</u>.
- <u>Substance Use Disorder Resources</u>
- Our COVID-19 Tracker Gives You County-Level Data on the Coronavirus

Vaccine Information

- *Kentucky opens COVID-19 vaccinations to all over 16 beginning April 5
- *<u>Pfizer says COVID-19 vaccine shows '100% efficacy' in adolescents</u>
- COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Update from Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky
- <u>CDC says it's safe for vaccinated people to do these activities</u>
- Vaccine experts answer your questions about Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines
- Vaccine Phases Update (Jan. 4)
- Why you should still wear a mask and avoid crowds after getting the COVID-19 vaccine

Self-Care Guidance for CASA Staff, Board Members, and Volunteers

- Act Now to Get Ahead of a Mental Health Crisis, Specialists Advise US
- Mental Health and COVID-19 Information and ResourcesTaking Care of Your Mental Health in the Face of Uncertainty
- <u>COVID-19 Pandemic is Causing Kentuckians to Make Many Lifestyle Changes; Simple Tips</u>
 <u>to Get Active</u>
- Coping with Coronavirus: Managing Stress, Fear, and Anxiety

Working with Children & Families Guidance for CASA Volunteers

- New P-EBT benefits are coming! and P-EBT FAQs
- How to help kids build resilience amid COVID-19 chaos
- COMIC: A Kids' guide to coping with the pandemic (and a printable zine)
- <u>'The isolation and anxiety is real' | Free mental health resources for Kentucky students</u> <u>during pandemic</u>
- The pandemic has researchers worried about teen suicide
- Virtual Family Time: Tips for Families
- <u>5 Ways to get your kids to wear masks</u>
- How CASA/GAL volunteers can connect with children in the new school year
- Resources for managing stress and enhancing protective factors
- <u>Recommended Therapeutic Books for Children</u>
- Tools for Virtually Interacting with Infants & Young Children
- Fostering Inequity: How COVID-19 Amplifies Dangers for LGBTQ+ Youth in Care
- Sesame Street's Grover Helps Kids Adapt to Life During Pandemic
- Childhood and Coronavirus: How Times of Crisis Shape Kids
- My Name is Coronavirus
 - This book is a resource shared by the Dept. for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities for a friendly way to discuss COVID-19 with children.
- <u>Talking with Children about Coronavirus Disease 2019: Messages for Parents, School</u> <u>Staff, and Others Working with Children</u>
- Coronavirus Disease-2019 (COVID-19) and Children
- How to Talk to Kids and Teens About the Coronavirus
- <u>5 Best Kid Friendly Video Chat Apps to Keep Them Safe</u>
- Resources for the LGBTQ Community Around COVID-19
- <u>Coronavirus Precautions for Foster Youth</u>
- Coping with Coronavirus: Support for the Autism Community

Education Resources

• *The return to in-person learning can be stressful for kids, some tips to help prepare

- Parent and Family Digital Learning Guide
- Is your child stressed out by school? Here's how to help
- Podcast: Back to school with COVID?
- <u>KY-SPIN Special Education Process (Ages 3-21)</u>
- With Schools Closed, Kids with Disabilities Are More Vulnerable Than Ever