COVID-19 IN AMERICA: RESPONSE, ISSUES, AND LAW

A WHOLE NEW WORLD: NAVIGATING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

- Find factual information about how COVID-19 has impacted public health, economics, society, and the world
- Access hundreds of Congressional Research Service (CRS) and Government Accountability Office (GAO) reports, updated regularly as this fluctuating situation evolves
- Discover a curated list of relevant scholarly articles and external links to supplement your COVID-19 research

About the Pandemic

2020 had barely begun when life as the world knew it was upended and redefined. Reports at the end of 2019 of a mysterious disease spreading rapidly through Wuhan, China made headlines in the United States, but were not met with alarm by the general American public. It was later determined that the disease that we now know as COVID-19 was caused by SARS-CoV-2, a coronavirus.

As of July 2020, there have been almost 17.5 million confirmed cases of COVID-19 worldwide and nearly 675,000 deaths. Maintaining social distance and complying with state-issued orders to wear masks have become flashpoint political issues. As the year turns towards autumn, states across the country grapple with whether to open schools for in-person instruction and whether to require students to wear masks. 17.8 million Americans who were suddenly unemployed by the pandemic wait to see if the extra federal unemployment benefit of $600 per week will be extended past the end of July.
About the Database

While we may not know what the next months will bring in the COVID-19 pandemic, HeinOnline has launched COVID-19 in America: Response, Issues, and Law to empower its users with information.

Publications from the Congressional Research Service (CRS) and Government Accountability Office (GAO) analyze the various ways COVID-19 has impacted every aspect of life, from testing issues in the medical field to unemployment and economic impact. These reports provide insight into federal response to the pandemic, discussing not only those issues that are highly prevalent in the media (for example, the process of vaccine development), but also those that may not have been considered by the casual researcher—for example, the pandemic’s effect on organ donation and transplantation, the U.S. blood supply, support for the homeless, and the implications of digital surveillance of carriers.

For ease of access, content in the database has been grouped around the areas of life in America impacted by the disease: Economics, Health, and Society. An additional subcollection entitled Global Impact has been dedicated to analyses of the pandemic’s effect on the rest of the world. Finally, an expanding curated list of related scholarly articles* and external links allow researchers to take their learning beyond HeinOnline. This database, much like our understanding of the disease, will continue to evolve over the coming months and years as new content is published and integrated with regular updates.

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