

# COVID-19 in Children: Colorado Situation Update

We are seeing patients with respiratory illnesses - including COVID - as well as behavioral health needs that are resulting in significant increase in volumes at our hospitals much earlier in the year than usual. We anticipate those numbers will increase with the start of school as more respiratory viruses circulate.

Children's hospitals across the country are already seeing increased volumes and are facing mounting challenges as four factors converge, which makes taking preventative measures now so important: the increased transmissibility of the delta variant, an early start to respiratory season, the pediatric mental health crisis, and the shortage of front-line healthcare workers.

**We invite you to a webinar, exclusively for school executives and board members**, where we will share the current data trajectories and the status of pediatric hospital capacity in Colorado. We feel this information is vital for you to have as you make decisions concerning the safety of students in your school/district. There will be opportunity for Q & A.

**Tuesday, August 31, 2021**  
**12:00 PM to 1:00 PM**

## Presenters:

- Rachel Herlihy, MD, MPH, Communicable Disease Branch Chief & State Epidemiologist, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment
- Jessica Cataldi, MD, MSPH, Infectious Disease Specialist, Children's Hospital Colorado

**Register here:** [https://childrenscolorado-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_f7nupR01RZ-SRzCqyZoRAw](https://childrenscolorado-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_f7nupR01RZ-SRzCqyZoRAw)

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