Information on Respondents

63 people completed the survey, with the majority of them reporting that they work in New Orleans (18) and Baton Rouge (10), but was representation from across the entire state.

The majority \(n=47\) of respondents identified themselves as Pediatric Primary Care Providers

Similarly, the majority \(n=30\) of respondents work in Small Independent Practices
Impacts of COVID19 on Practices

All but two respondents indicated that their patient volume was less than normal.

**PATIENT VOLUME**

- Less than normal: 97%
- About normal: 3%

The majority ($n=44$) of respondents reported that they had limited well child visits to specific age ranges. (No Answer=2)

“What is your current policy on ages you see for a well child and/or vaccine visit”

Most common restrictions were in alignment with CDC and AAP recommendations to continue to provide in-person care for birth-24 months ($n=14$), followed by birth through less than 24 months (often 18 months or newborns only; $n=12$), a minority of respondents reported that they are seeing all children currently for well child visits ($n=4$). Eleven respondents reported seeing children for vaccines specifically.
The majority of respondents indicated they had changed their daily schedule due to COVID19.

Specifically, most respondents ($n=31$) indicated if they had changed their schedule they were seeing well child visits in the morning and sick visits either after well child visits or in the afternoon. Six respondents noted they were utilizing different entrances, rooms, and/or providers for well child versus sick visits. (No Answer=5)

The majority of respondents indicated they were seeing potential COVID19 patients, with a close to even split between respondents endorsing administering the COVID19 test ($n=30$) and those who are not administering the test ($n=28$). (No Answer=5)
Telemedicine

The majority of providers endorsed planning to offer or currently offering telemedicine for patients.

Indeed, more respondents endorsed planning/offering telemedicine regardless of compensation than those who endorsed “Yes, if compensated appropriately.” Five of the six respondents who responded with “Other (please specify)” indicated they were already or planning on providing telemedicine. (No Answer=9)

Of those respondents who endorsed planning or currently offering telemedicine for patients: Zoom \((n=15)\) was the most commonly referenced modality, with other apps such as doxy.me \((n=13)\), as well as Electronic Medical Records Portals \((n=8)\), FaceTime \((n=6)\), and telephone \((n=6)\). Nine respondents listed multiple modalities for telemedicine.

PPE Supply

The majority \((n=36, 67\%)\) of respondents indicated they only have a small amount of PPE. (No Answer=9)

Of the 10 respondents who selected “Other (please specify)” only three indicated adequate PPE currently. All three respondents reported working in the New Orleans area at Organizational or Academic Institutions.
The majority of respondents indicated experiencing or expecting to experience cash flow problems. Similarly, the majority indicated experiencing staffing problems due to COVID-19 (e.g., staff sick, no childcare for staff).

**EXPERIENCING OR EXPECTING CASH FLOW PROBLEMS**

- **No**: 81%
- **Yes**: 19%

**EXPERIENCING STAFFING PROBLEMS**

- **No**: 52%
- **Not yet, but expected**: 30%
- **Yes**: 18%
Worries of Pediatric Providers during COVID19

Respondents were provided with a checklist of common concerns and worries related to the COVID19 pandemic. Respondents were asked, “What is/are the things you are most worried about?”

The three most common responses were “Financial concerns for practice with keeping patients at home” (n=36), “Limited PPE” (n=29), and “My patients” (n=28).

In contrast, “Balancing homeschool with professional obligations” (n=6), “Extra hours I am working due to pandemic” (n=3), and “Acquiring food & necessities” (n=2) as the three least common responses.

Importantly, there is a positive association between endorsing working in a small independent practice as well as having “financial concerns for practice with keeping patients at home” (r=.376, p=.002).