# COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

# **Daily evidence digest**

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## Clinical course, thrombotic risk, evidence-based virtual care

## Peer reviewed journals feature:

- A prospective cohort study on clinical course and outcomes of critically ill adults in New York here
- A case series and case control study on thrombotic risk in COVID-19 patients here
- A behavioural science approach to increasing adherence to social distancing and shielding vulnerable people <u>here</u>
- Commentary on the timing of the declaration of the public health emergency here
- A perspective on enhancing virtual healthcare encounters <u>here</u>
- Management of tracheostomy, based on a small sample of COVID-19 patients here
- Recommendations on a phased immuno-physiological approach to COVID-19 <u>here</u>
- Principles of mental health care during COVID-19 here

#### Letters on:

- Gene expression of angiotensin-converting enzyme 2 (the receptor for host entry) in nasal epithelial cells <u>here</u> and an editorial discussing implications for mitigating transmission <u>here</u>
- Survey responses on shortages of hydroxychloroquine for patients with rheumatic disease here
- The use of artificial intelligence to diagnose patients with COVID-19 here
- Gastrointestinal features of COVID-19 in children <u>here</u>
- Septic shock presentation in three adolescents here,
- Behavioural responses to COVID-19 and application to climate change <u>here</u>

#### Pre-peer review papers feature:

- A stress test analysis on progressive and adaptive COVID-19 exit strategies and implications for managing intensive care here
- A case series demonstrating late improvement in COVID-19 survivors in London here
- A model simulating the spread of COVID-19 under different interventions here
- Assessment of dispersion of airborne particles of oral/nasal fluid by high flow nasal cannula therapy <u>here</u>
- Host transcriptional response to COVID-19 in comparison to other respiratory viruses here

#### **Guidance:**

• The World Health Organization published an overview of public health and social measures in the context of COVID-19 <a href="here">here</a>



#### Other resources and news:

- The Centre for Evidence Based Medicine released a discussion document on learning lessons post COVID-19 <u>here</u> and the loss of taste and smell as symptoms of COVID-19 <u>here</u>
- A feature in Nature discusses the effectiveness of contact tracing apps for COVID-19 here

#### Twitter:

#### **Mental Health and COVID-10**

- @MHCNSW (Mental Health Commission of NSW) and @Being is setting up a warm line to enable people who may be experiencing distress to connect quickly with peer workers <a href="here">here</a>
- @Being report on 'Many Voices, Many Needs' from people living with mental health issues at the onset of COVID-19 here
- @Macquaire\_Uni 'We've Got This Covered!' provides evidence-based information for families and schools to help prevent anxiety and discussion during COVID-19 <a href="here">here</a> and
   @ReachOut\_Aus has tips for supporting young people through COVID-19 here
- COVID-19 and Mental Health Studies Register here
- @BMJ\_Leader blog which poses three questions to health leaders: what does kindness mean
  to me?, How can I be more kind to myself? How can I be more kind to others? <a href="here">here</a>
  \*It is currently #mentalhealthawarenessweek in the UK and Australia has Mental Health Week
  in October 2020.

#### **Pandemic Kindness Movement**

 @PKMAUS1 was created by clinicians across Australia, working together to support all health workers during the COVID-19 pandemic @nswaci click here

### International perspectives

- @bmj\_latest editorial on reassessing advance care planning in light of COVID-19 <a href="here">here</a>, news piece on implementing cycles of 50 day lockdowns and 30 day relaxations <a href="here">here</a>, a review on how COVID-19 has made 'news out of old news' here and a blog on COVID-19 and fatigue here
- @TheKingsFund blog on shaping the post COVID-19 world with the voluntary, community and social sector <u>here</u>
- Emerging traffic on hashtag #OpenSafely with an opinion piece from 20 health leaders in the USA <u>here</u>
- @Design4AHS posted a visual on COVID-19 metaphors and power <a href="here">here</a>, Figure 1



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Figure 1: Using language during COVID-19

# **Covid-19 metaphors and power**

# Metaphor

Comparing two things: saying one

thing is the other

### Avoid

- The war, the fight, the battle against Covid-19
- Crime: "lockdown"; "curfew"; social isolation "transgressors"
- Doctors and nurses as "superheroes", "troops in battle", "frontline"
- · "Battening down"
- Needs command & control, top down leadership

# **Encourage**

- A journey with challenges and a hopeful destination
- Positive human actions based on shared purpose: "Building", "forging" "reconstruction"
- Many people working together, each playing their part - interdependence
- · Creating resilient, connected communities

#### Sources:

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Public Interest Research Centre: https://publicinterest.org.uk/part-4-metaphors/

The Workshop: https://mcusercontent.com/b0185015163b8400982fe50f3/files/5b54ba18-e698-4ee5-8c68-9d950d81b6db/The Workshop Covid19 Digital.01.pdf?mc cid=620d8519d0&mc eid=f7b8a6dd7c



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