# COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

## **Daily evidence digest**

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## Antiviral agents, telehealth, palliative care, translated COVID-19 resources

### Peer reviewed journals featured:

- A systematic review and meta-analysis on antiviral agents, glucocorticoids, antibiotics, and intravenous immunoglobulin usage <a href="here">here</a>
- A systematic review on telemedicine in orthopaedics and potential applications during COVID-19 here
- A cohort study of Department of Veterans Affairs and the use of telehealth outpatient visits during COVID-19 <a href="here">here</a> and an editorial on virtual care and the pandemic <a href="here">here</a>
- Commentary on the use of medical face masks versus particulate respirators as a component of personal protective equipment for healthcare workers here
- A survey of spine surgeons focused on the influence of practice type on preparedness and response to COVID-19 <a href="here">here</a>
- A survey of healthcare workers regarding work-related and personal factors associated with mental well-being during COVID-19 response <a href="here">here</a>

## Letters and correspondence discussed:

- Patient-reported outcomes and the management of COVID-19 here
- A need for open public data standards and sharing in light of COVID-19 here
- Negative pressure airway management hood for COVID-19 patients during invasive airway procedures <u>here</u>
- Myasthenia gravis associated with SARS-CoV-2 infection here

## Pre-peer review articles featured:

 A randomised, double-blind, and placebo-controlled phase 2 clinical trial on immunogenicity and safety of a SARS-CoV-2 inactivated vaccine in healthy adults aged 18-59 years here



#### **Reviews**

 The Centre for Evidence Based Medicine published a review on guidelines for community palliative care <u>here</u> and a drug vignette on remdesivir <u>here</u>

## **Guidance and reports**

- The OECD published a policy brief on harmonisation of clinical trial regulations for COVID-19 here
- The UK's National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) updated its COVID-19 rapid guideline on dialysis service delivery <u>here</u>
- The Sydney Partnership for Health Education Research and Enterprise (SPHERE) released fact sheets on COVID-19 here
- The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) published a survey on telehealth video consultations here
- Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists updated advice
  on the protection of midwives and doctors in the birth unit <a href="here">here</a> and released an associated
  message for pregnant women and their families <a href="here">here</a>

## **News and blogs**

• The Royal Australasian College of Physicians published a survey on PPE here

#### From the Critical Intelligence Unit #NSWHealthCIU

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