

Collaborate with Colleagues

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I. Reopening

- a. Nebraska
 - i. Hospitals are starting elective procedures, but it is going slowly
 - 1. At one hospital there are only 5 entrances open, requiring 42 FTEs to cover
 - 2. Recovery is going to include less spending on these kinds of things
- b. Kansas
 - i. Some counties are still hotspots
 - 1. Even though the governor says the state may reopen, these counties are electing to wait
- c. Canada
 - i. Provincially, they have decided certain criteria need to be met to begin offering elective surgeries
 - 1. These criteria include having 30 days' worth of PPE, being able to clear beds for surgery patients, and being under 85% capacity

II. Recovery

- a. Part of the plan must be what happens if we need to put the breaks on recovery and move back into response for a second wave
- b. Some businesses will continue to have their staff work from home from this point on
- c. The more draconian measures we take now, the harder it will be for people to go back to "normal" later

III. Telemedicine

- a. A prohibiting factor for beginning this before COVID-19 was payers, not that facilities did not want to do it
- b. There may be accreditation issues and commission issues in certain areas

IV. Guidance

- a. Rapid guidance changes are causing confusion and frustration
- b. Decisions are not being made the way they normally would be
 - i. In some cases, there is a failure to take the time to think things all the way through

V. Working from home

- a. If this is going to continue, there may need to be some considerations for additional essential services
 - i. If the internet goes out in the workplace, it is a priority to fix, but if it goes out in someone's home, it is not necessarily a priority to fix
- b. This may increase/decrease our vulnerabilities
- c. There is an opportunity with this pandemic to really find out what makes a resilient organization