

CoVid-19

LESSON 3: Screening, Testing, and the CARES ACT

Find  Press it to turn red when you aren't talking.
Have a paper and pencil ready to use

Screening and Testing? Juanita's Dilemma

Juanita is still not feeling well. She has been at home for three days and she still feels terrible. She has been monitoring her symptoms. Her temperature has been above 102 degrees for 3 days. She is still coughing and she gets short of breath when she walks around. But she is breathing OK when she lays down. Are Juanita's symptoms mild, moderate, or severe? Her doctor says she should just continue to rest and hydrate.



Juanita heard that Bronson hospital and the health department are both doing COVID-19 testing. Shouldn't she be tested? She has the symptoms! She decides to go to their websites.

Juanita finds some words she doesn't know. Let's take a look.

Some new medical words

(we can read them together)

- **Screening:** an interview where someone asks new patients questions to see what kind of care or testing they need. They help them find what the patient needs.
- **Care Advisor:** A nurse or other medical person who asks screening questions.
- **Video Visit:** an appointment with a health provider that is on your phone or computer with a video so you can see each other.
- **CoVid 19 testing:** Testing cells from a person's nose or mouth to see if they have the virus



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Matching

- **CoVid 19 testing:**
 - A nurse or other medical person who asks screening questions.
 - Looking at cells from a person's nose or mouth to see if that person has the virus
- **Care Advisor**
- **Screening**
- **Video Visit**
 - An appointment with a health provider that is on your phone or computer with a video so you can see each other
 - An interview where someone asks the patient questions to see what kind of care or testing they need.

This is what Juanita found on Bronson's website: How does the word "or" convince her that she doesn't need to call a care advisor?

STEPS TO TAKE IF YOU HAVE COVID-19 SYMPTOMS



Stay Home

Stay home and avoid contact with others

AND



Call

Call a Bronson Care Advisor at (269) 341-7788

OR



Video Visit

Do a BronsonConnect Video Visit

OR



Call

Call your primary care provider

OR



Message

Send a message to your provider via your Bronson MyChart account

Juanita decides that since she already talked to her doctor she shouldn't call a care advisor.

But, she remembers that the health department also has testing so she goes to their website. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/priority-testing-patients.pdf>. She finds some words she doesn't understand. She looks up the words.

Let's see what she found

Words from the Health Department

- **Priority:** a concern that comes before others and is acted on first
- **Healthcare-associated infections:** Infections that are spread inside of a hospital:
- **Complications:** When symptoms become severe or attack another part of your body
- **Underlying Conditions:** Other sicknesses that a person has in their body like asthma or high blood pressure

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What does Juanita find out about testing?

- Juanita reads that you can only get tested if your Dr. sends you.
- She also reads that getting testing doesn't change what the treatment will be. She would still be at home unless her symptoms became severe
- Testing is to protect health care workers when they care for patients with severe symptoms.
- Testing can be helpful to know who should stay away from others but there aren't enough tests to do that right now.

This is how Michigan decides who gets the tests:

PRIORITY 1: Test the following people to lessen the risk of healthcare-associated infections:

- Hospitalized patients
- Healthcare facility workers with symptoms

PRIORITY 2: Test the following people to treat those with the highest risk of complications:

- Patients in long-term care facilities with symptoms
- Patients 65 years of age and older with symptoms
- Patients with underlying conditions with symptoms
- First responders with symptoms

Screening and Testing? Juanita's Dilemma

Juanita now knows that she doesn't need to get tested to get better. So, she drinks some more water and goes to sleep



Her doctor is making decisions for her like other providers and hospitals. If there are more tests he will let her know.

She will take care of herself at home.

Frank's Dilemma

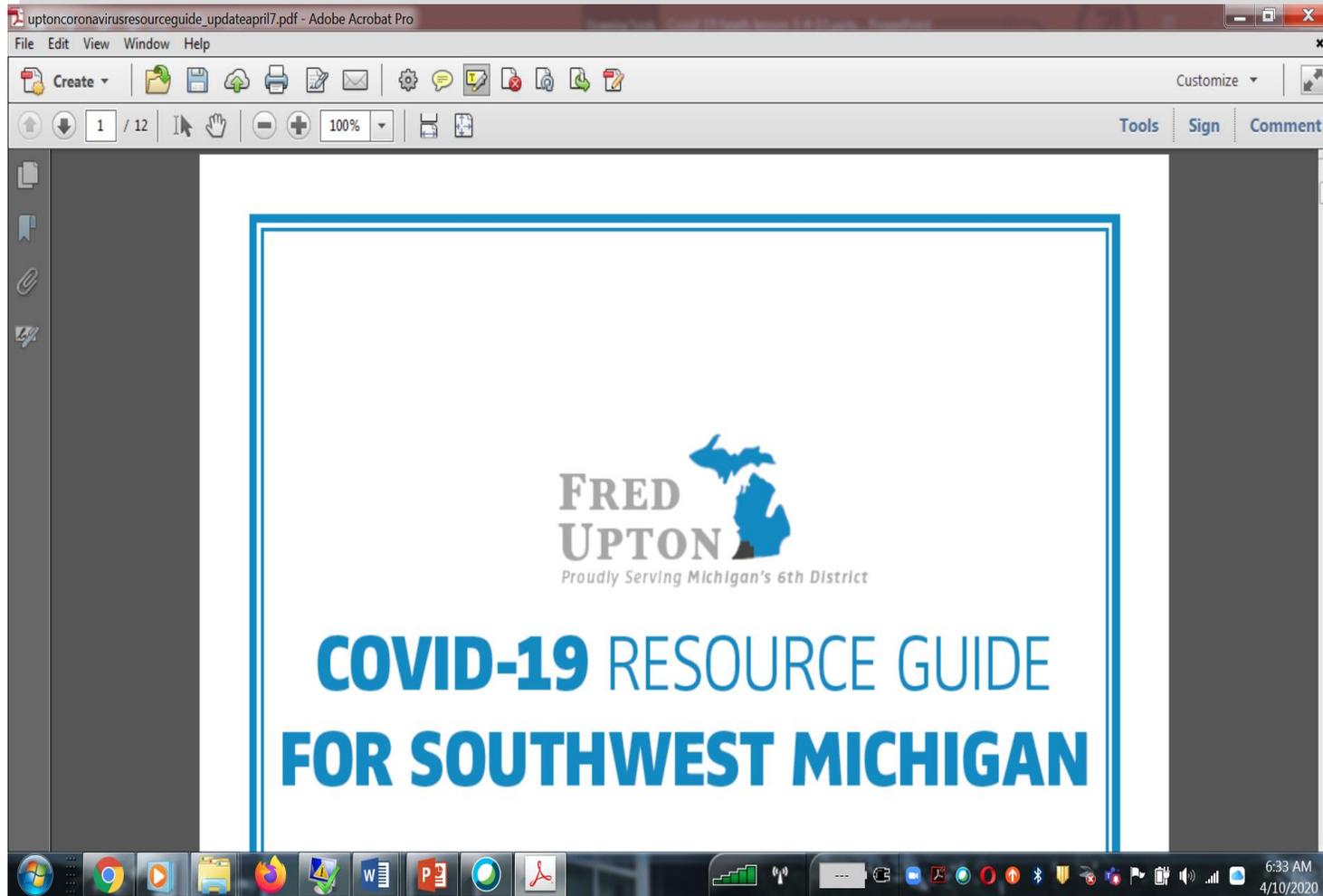
Juanita's husband, Frank, has been taking care of her while she has been sick. He has been able to sell car insurance from home and help Mary with her school work. But Frank's boss called and said he will have to "furlough" Frank because he has been losing business because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Frank tells Juanita that he had to look up the word "furlough". It means that he will not work or be paid but if things get better he can go back to work.



They are both worried about money. They have heard about the "stimulus" package. They decide to find out more about it. They go to their congressman, Fred Upton's website and they find a booklet called the COVID-19 Resource Guide

https://upton.house.gov/uploadedfiles/uptoncoronavirusresourceguide_updateapril7.pdf.

The Guide Explains the Economic Stimulus Bill (called the Cares Act: Coronavirus Aid, Relief & Economic Security Act).



It also has links to websites for:

- Internal revenue services
- Unemployment
- Where to get help with food
- How to volunteer to help others

Juanita and Frank have to Learn some Legal Words

- **Economic security:** having enough money and resources (like food and transportation)
- **Stimulus:** something that makes a reaction
- **Distributed:** given to people
- **Provisions:** something for people to use

Matching

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 - something that makes a reaction
- **Stimulus**
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Other Legal Words

- **Benefit:** an extra thing given to certain people
- **Qualifications:** things that you have to have to get a benefit
- **Stoppage:** the time when something stops
- **Enhanced:** Extra, More than usual



Matching

- **Qualification:**
 - An extra thing given to certain people
- **Benefit:**
 - the time when something stops
 - things that you have to have to get a benefit.
- **Stoppage:**
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The Cares Act: Coronavirus Aid, Relief & Economic Security Act

Frank and Juanita found two parts of the law that could help them

- Direct Financial Assistance for Individuals
- Enhanced unemployment insurance

Direct Financial Assistance for Individuals: Economic Impact Payment

A check sent straight to your bank account from the internal revenue service of \$1200 per adult and \$500 per dependent child.

Qualifications (if you have these things you get the check):

- You make under \$75,000.
- You filed a tax return for 2018 and/or 2019
- You have a social security number

Nonresident aliens and undocumented workers do not qualify

Numbers Practice (let's read them together)

• \$12, \$120, \$1200, \$12,000

• \$5, \$50, \$500, \$5,000

• \$75, \$750, \$7500, \$75,000

Words and Numbers

- \$120
 - \$12
 - \$1200
 - \$12,000
- a. One thousand two hundred dollars
 - b. Twelve dollars
 - c. Twelve thousand dollars
 - d. One hundred and twenty dollars

Math for the Stimulus Check

Juanita and Frank make under \$75,000. The law says they will get \$1200 per adult and \$500 per dependent child. How much will they get for their family (include their daughter, Mary)

Juanita will get _____

Frank will get _____

Mary will get _____

The whole family will get _____

Math for the Stimulus Check

- How much will Juanita's mother get in her stimulus check?

- Will you get a check? Can you figure out how much for your family?

of Adults X \$1200= _____

of children X \$500= _____

total for family = _____

Problems? <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/economic-impact-payments>



- Tax Relief in Disaster Situations
- Tax Reform
- Taxpayer First Act
- Tax Scams/Consumer Alerts
- The Tax Gap
- Fact Sheets
- IRS Tax Tips** IRS Tax Tips
- e-News Subscriptions
- IRS Guidance
- Media Contacts
- IRS Statements and Announcements



Filers: Get Your Payment

Use the "Get My Payment" application to:

- Check your payment status
- Confirm your payment type: direct deposit or check
- Enter your bank account information for direct deposit if we don't have your direct deposit information and we haven't sent your payment yet

[Get My Payment](#)

Update your bank account or mailing address

- If we don't have your direct deposit information from your 2018 or 2019 return – and we haven't yet sent your payment – use the Get My Payment application to let us know where to send your



Non-Filers: Enter Your Payment Info Here

If you don't file taxes, use the "Non-Filers: Enter Your Payment Info Here" application to provide simple information so you can get your payment.

You should use this application if:

- You **did not file** a 2018 or 2019 federal income tax return because your gross income was under \$12,200 (\$24,400 for married couples). This includes people who had no income. Or
- You **weren't required** to file a 2018 or 2019 federal income tax return for other reasons.

Do not use this application if you receive the benefits below. If you receive these benefits, we already have your information and you will receive \$1,200.

- Social Security retirement, disability (SSDI), or

Juanita and Frank



Frank and Juanita are glad they will be getting a stimulus check but they know this won't last them for long. Frank will look for a new job but he knows they need more money coming in. He decides to figure out unemployment. What is this “enhanced” unemployment?



Enhanced Unemployment Insurance

Frank's furlough does qualify him to apply for unemployment. This is how the law enhanced unemployment benefits.

- It adds \$600/week to the usual amount for anyone getting unemployment
- It adds an additional 13 weeks. You can get unemployment now for 39 weeks.
- It will pay someone the benefits from the day of work stoppage even if it took awhile to apply

Important: After work stoppage you must apply within 28 days.

Applying for unemployment

Frank must file online through the Michigan Web Account manager [https://www.michigan.gov/documents/uia/MiWAM toolkit for Claimants July 2019 662197 7.pdf](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/uia/MiWAM_toolkit_for_Claimants_July_2019_662197_7.pdf)

To apply he will need:

- His social security number
- His employment information for the past 18 months
- His address, phone number, date of birth
- His driver's license or state ID

A non-citizens would need their alien registration and authorization card with the expiration date.

When to Apply for Michigan Unemployment

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE
File Your Claim By Last Name

ONLINE SCHEDULE:	CALL CENTER SCHEDULE:				
 michigan.gov/uia WEBSITE IS 24/7	 1-866-500-0017 8AM-5PM MON-FRI, 7AM-2PM SAT				
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Juanita and Frank



Juanita and Frank feel better that they will be getting some money even though Frank is furloughed and Juanita is sick. Frank starts to work on his unemployment application right away and Juanita tells her mother about the check she will be getting soon!



What a relief!

Homework



Next week we will talk about how to be less nervous during the stay at home order. We will also discuss what else you want to learn about Covid-19. Write down ideas through the week and collect words that you want to know.

Stay Healthy!



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