

A woman with long dark hair, wearing a white face mask and a dark jacket, is standing in a grocery store aisle. She is reaching up with her right hand to a shelf filled with bags of rice. The aisle is lined with shelves stocked with various products, including boxes and bags of food. The entire image has a blue color cast. Overlaid on the image is the word "Welcome!" in a large, white, serif font, and below it, the sentence "We will get started in just a moment" in a smaller, white, sans-serif font.

# Welcome!

We will get started in just a moment

# How to Support Refugee, Immigrant, and Migrant Communities Before and After the End of the Public Health Emergency

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April 20, 2023

# » Housekeeping

- We will email you:
  - The recording  
*Spanish and English subtitles will be ready in a few days*
  - Slides
  - Links to all resources
- Please use the Q&A or chat feature to ask questions



## »» About NRC-RIM

The National Resource Center for  
Refugees, Immigrants and Migrants

# >> History

- Funded by CDC, housed at University of Minnesota
- Established in Oct. 2020 as part of COVID-19 response
- Work with organizations serving RIM communities that are disproportionately impacted by health inequities



## >> Goals

- **Strengthen partnerships** between health departments + communities
- **Support health departments + CBOs** that work with refugees, immigrants, + migrants
- **Reduce health disparities** + increase health equity

## >> What We Do



Promising Practices  
+ Toolkits



Health Education  
+ Communications



Online Training



Technical Assistance



Pilot Projects



Dissemination

## >> Core Partners





# » Community Leadership Board

- 13 members from RIM communities
- Governance body
- Inform decision-making + priorities
- Review materials
- Offer guidance





# » End of the Public Health Emergency

Information for organizations

## >> Welcome Panelists



**Lizbeth Gonzalez**

International Rescue Committee



**Amy Liebman**

Migrant Clinicians Network

# Discussion

# >> Conversation Guides

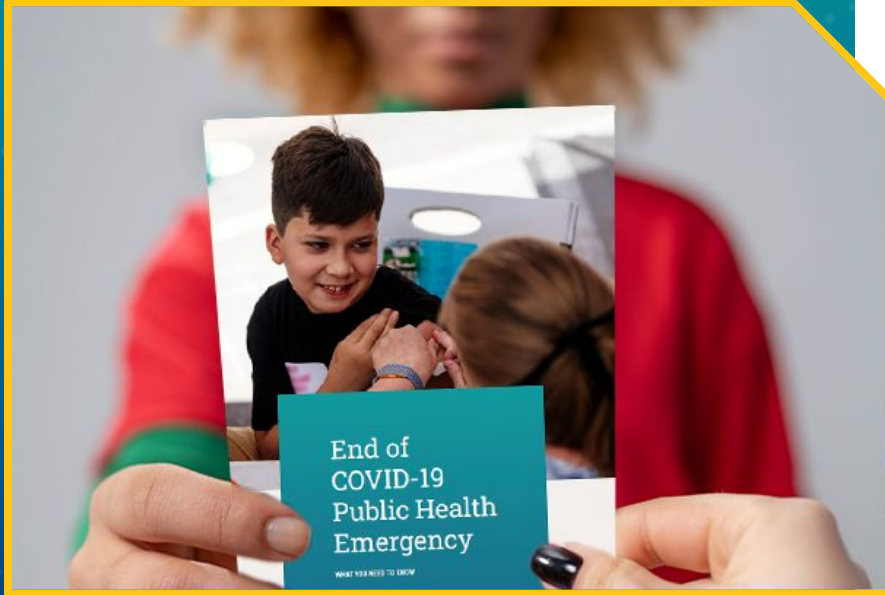
- Answer questions
- Build trust
- Reinforce dignity + agency
- Address misinformation
- Scripts, tips, reminders



## » Guidebook

How to advise clients on topics like:

- Medicaid renewal and re-enrollment
- Changes to food benefits
- Changes to COVID-19 Medical Care Coverage



## >> Key Messages

- Aligned with other materials
- Can be used for presentations and conversations
- Includes links to reliable sources





## » End of the Public Health Emergency

Information for clients



# >> Fact Sheet

- Pre-designed
- Customizable
- Pre-translated  
Amharic, Arabic, Burmese, Dari\*, French, Karen, Kinyarwanda, Nepali, Pashto\*, Portuguese, Rohingya\*, Russian, Spanish, Somali, Swahili (Congolese), Swahili (East Africa), Tigrinya, Ukrainian
- \* = Audio files on the way


END OF COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY


>> Changes to COVID-19 Health Benefits <<

On **May 11, 2023**, the public health emergency will expire. Public health emergencies allow the government to spend money quickly and develop new programs to support the public's well-being.


Even though the public health emergency is ending, COVID-19 is still a dangerous illness.

- Many people are still dying every day in the United States, and many more are becoming seriously ill.
- COVID-19 can also disrupt you and your family's routines, preventing people from going to work or school.






**You may have to pay for COVID-19 tests, treatments and vaccines.**  
During the Public Health Emergency, COVID-19 vaccines, treatments and tests were free. After May 11, the cost of treatments, tests and vaccines will depend on your health insurance.




**If you have Medicaid, you will have to prove you are eligible every year.** During the Public Health Emergency, people who had health insurance through Medicaid were automatically re-enrolled each year. After March 31, people will need to prove they are eligible every year.



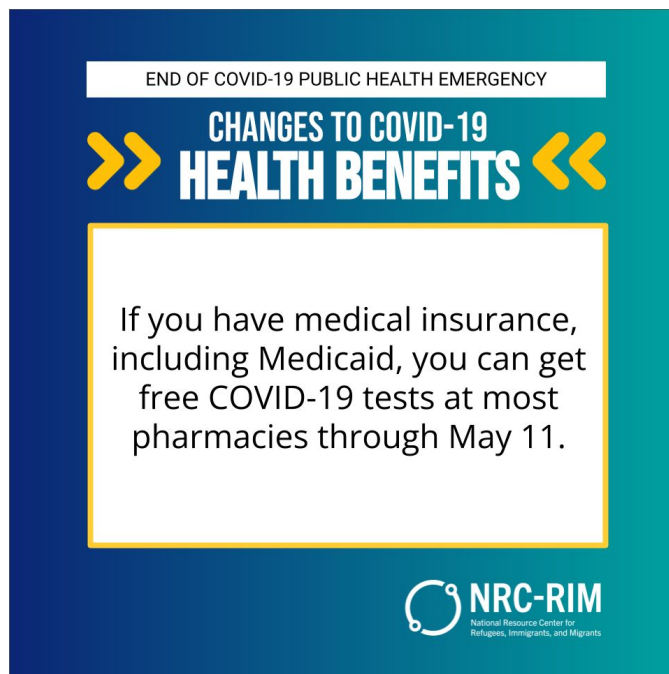
**If you use SNAP, you may receive less money for food from the government.** During the Public Health Emergency, the government gave families who use the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) program extra food money. Families will soon stop receiving this extra money.

**GET YOUR VACCINES AND TESTS TODAY WHILE THEY ARE FREE.**

31 Mar 2023




# » Social Media



- Designed
- Translated
- Customizable
- 19 languages
- Audio formats

# » Cost Table

- Summarizes coverage for COVID-19 vaccines, treatment and tests by health insurance status
- Medicare, Medicaid, RMA, CHIP, private insurance, uninsured
- Like our other materials, these are:
  - Designed
  - Translated
  - Customizable



End of the Public Health  
Emergency (PHE)

### Cost Summary Chart

This chart is a very simple summary of complex cost changes and is not meant to be exhaustive. For complete details on how costs will change, visit the [Kaiser Family Foundation website](#).


COVID-19 Vaccines		
Insurance Status	During PHE	After PHE
Medicare	Free	Free
Medicaid	Free	Free
RMA	Free	Free
CHIP	Free	Free
Private insurance	Free	Free for most people
Uninsured children	Free	Free through VFC program
Uninsured adults	Free	Costs money for most people

COVID-19 Treatments		
Insurance Status	During PHE	After PHE
Medicare	Free	Costs money
Medicaid	Free	Free through Sept. 30, 2024
RMA	Free	Free through Sept. 30, 2024
CHIP	Free	Free through Sept. 30, 2024
Private insurance	Depends	Depends
Uninsured	Free	Costs money

The National Resource Center for Refugees, Immigrants, and Migrants (NRC-RIM) is funded by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to support state and local health departments working with RIM communities. Learn more at [nrcrim.org](#). Last updated 30 Mar 2023.

# » From MCN

- Downloadable PHE handout
- Blog highlighting impacts to migrant health and healthcare access
- Frequently asked questions
- Two news articles outlining changes related to the PHE



## End of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Resources

<a href="#">What's the end of Public Health Emergency for COVID-19?   Migrant Clinicians Network</a>	A downloadable handout in English and Spanish that informs readers on how to prepare for the end of the Public Health Emergency for COVID.
<a href="#">COVID Emergency Declarations Are Ending. What Happens to Migrant &amp; Immigrant Health and Health Access?   Migrant Clinicians Network</a>	A blog overviewing potential impacts to Migrant and Immigrant health and health care access after the end of the COVID Emergency Declaration.
<a href="#">FAQ: COVID-19 and Migrant, Immigrant, and Food &amp; Farm Worker Patients   Migrant Clinicians Network</a>	Migrant Clinicians Network continues to receive questions from our clinical network on COVID-19 and vaccines for migrant, immigrant, and farmworker communities. IN MCN's award-winning FAQ, we offer our newest questions and answers followed by an archive of previous questions.
<a href="#">Article: What's at Stake as the US Ends Covid Emergency Measures -- 4/2/23 - Bloomberg</a>	This article provides an update on the status of COVID in the US, information on the emergency declaration, Medicaid changes, and changes with the end of the COVID emergency declaration.
<a href="#">Article: The End of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency: Details on Health Coverage and Access - KFF</a>	The Kaiser Family Foundation shares updates on topics including vaccines, at-home COVID tests, PCR and rapid tests in a clinical setting, COVID treatment, and telemedicine in light of the end of the COVID public health emergency.

For other resources and information, visit [www.migrantclinician.org](http://www.migrantclinician.org) | Last revised: April 18, 2023

## >> How to Reach Us



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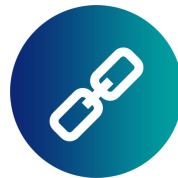
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## >> Resources:

- [Conversation Guide](#)
- [Guidebook for client-facing staff](#)
- [Key messages](#)
- [Fact sheet](#)
- [Social media assets](#)
- [Cost table](#)
- [All PHE resources](#)