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**Weekly Provider Webinar:
Statewide Updates on COVID-19 and Homelessness**

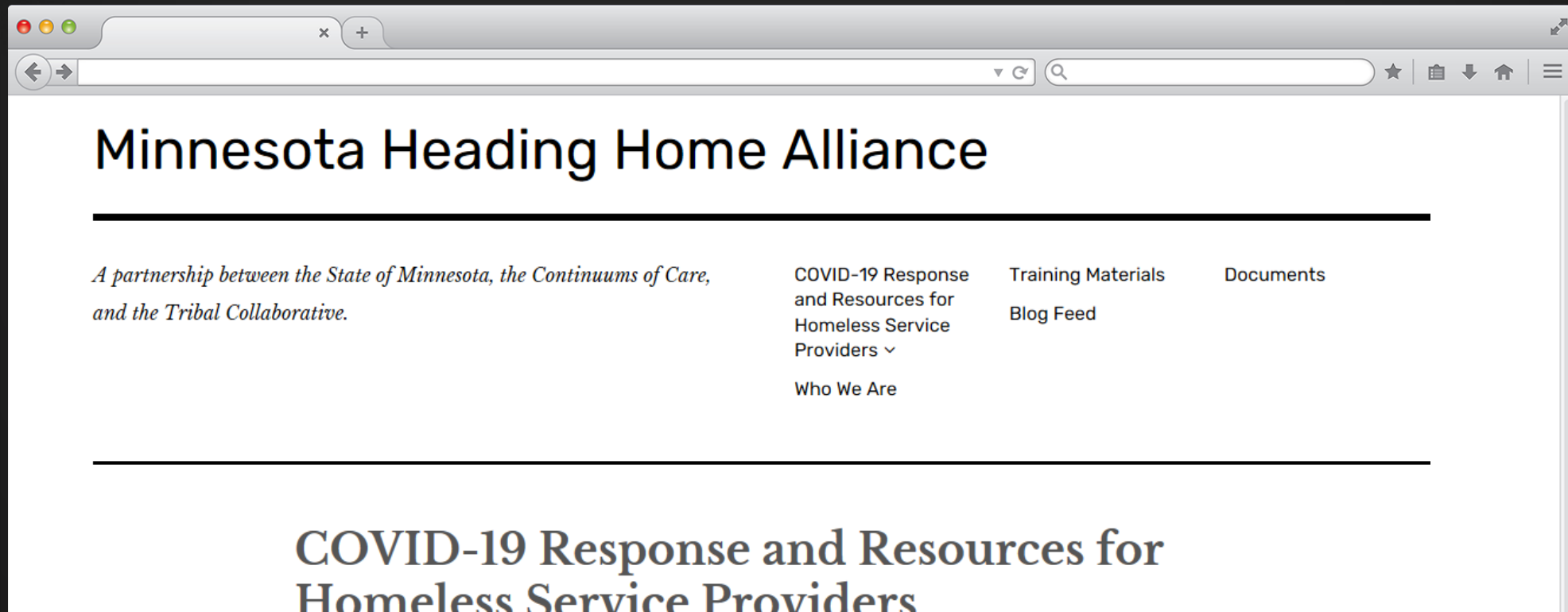
January 27, 2021

Agenda

Time	Topic
1:00 – 1:05	Welcome and opening remarks
1:05 – 1:30	Important updates from the State of Minnesota
1:30 – 1:55	Questions and answers
1:55 – 2:00	Closing remarks and adjourn

Visit the Heading Home Alliance COVID-19 page

- Latest resources, guidance, and contact lists
- <https://headinghomealliance.com/covid-19-response/>



We need your help spreading the word

- For announcements about these calls, sign up for Minnesota Housing's eNews
- <http://www.mnhousing.gov/sites/np/enews>
- Select "Topics and Issues for Providers Serving People Experiencing Homelessness"
- **Please encourage your colleagues to do so!**

Governor's Budget Announcement

- \$10 million increase for the **Emergency Services Program** to support emergency shelters, drop-in centers, and outreach programs.
- \$10 million increase for the **Community Living Infrastructure Grant program** for counties and tribes to integrate housing into their human services work.
- \$1 million to establish base funding for the **Homelessness Management Information System (HMIS)**.
- \$6.3 million to **support and expand Veteran homelessness efforts** including housing vouchers and wrap around services.
- \$1 million increase for **Homework Starts with Home**, an evidence-based initiative that assists highly mobile families with school-aged children.
- \$4 million increase for the **Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program** which provides support services and short-term rental assistance, security deposits, and utility assistance to households who are homeless or an imminent risk of homelessness.
- \$500,000 increase in **Bridges**, the state's rental assistance program. This program supports people with serious mental illness live in integrated settings in their communities.

Governor's Budget Announcement

- [Summary of Homelessness Items in Governor's COVID-19 Recovery Budget](#)
- [Minnesota Management and Budget website](#)

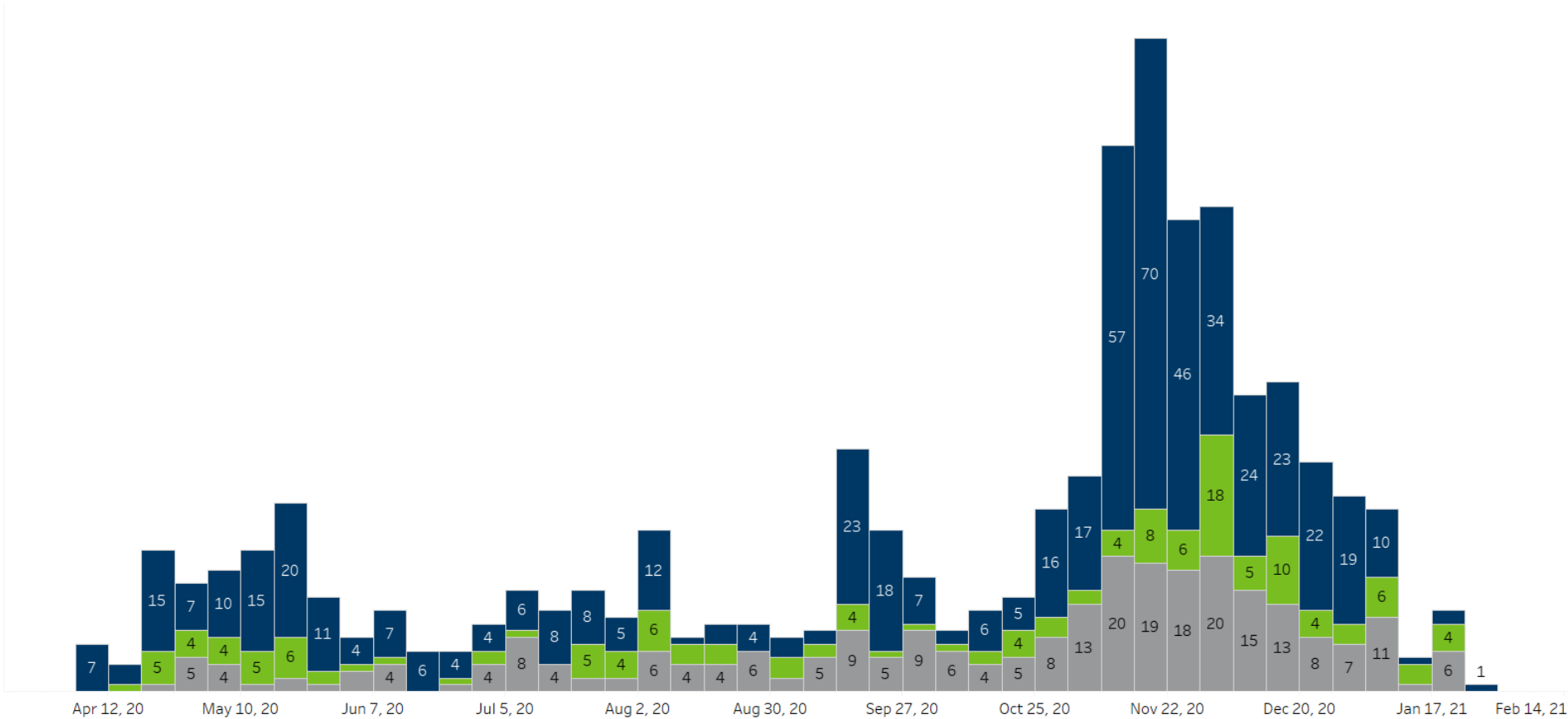
MDH PEH Update

COVID-19 Summary of People Experiencing Homelessness and Staff in Minnesota*

as of Tuesday, January 27, 2021

- Sheltered
- Unsheltered
- Staff

Since April 2020, 982 PEH and staff have tested positive for COVID-19.



Staff should wear eye protection + face mask

Goggles

- Provide barrier protection for the eyes
- They should:
 - Fit tightly over and around the eyes or personal prescription lenses
 - Be indirectly vented (to prevent penetration of splashes or sprays)
 - Have an anti-fog coating to help maintain clarity of vision

Face Shield

- Provide barrier protection to the facial area and related mucous membranes (eyes, nose, lips)
- Considered an alternative to goggles
- Face shields are not meant to function as primary respiratory protection and should be used concurrently with a medical mask (for droplet precautions)

Safety Glasses

- This strategy is not consistent with standard practice and not recommended
- If adopted they should have extensions to cover the side of the eyes
- Regular eyeglasses are not safety glasses

1) State Update

2) LPH Planning Update

3) Heading Home Alliance Website for Provider Resources

Online Vaccine Resources Toolkit

Vaccine Overview and What to Expect

- [COVID-19 Basics](#) (MDH overview handout, additional languages coming soon)
- [Facts about COVID-19 Vaccines](#) (CDC overview handout)
- [Getting Vaccinated for COVID-19](#) (MDH 4-page handout on what to expect when getting a vaccine [1-page condensed version](#))
- [What to Expect after Getting a COVID-19 Vaccine](#) (CDC, 90 second video)
- [Understanding COVID-19 Vaccines](#) (Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health 2-page handout)
- [COVID-19 Vaccines Infographic](#) (Johns Hopkins)

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Deeper Dive

- [COVID Vaccine Overview and Q&A](#) (Hennepin County Healthcare for the Homeless powerpoint)
- [COVID-19 Vaccination for People Experiencing Homelessness](#) (CDC, MDH, PowerPoint slides)
- [Q&A from CDC Vaccination for People Experiencing Homelessness Webinar](#) (CDC)
- [Getting the COVID-19 Vaccine: What to Expect](#) (Johns Hopkins Article)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#) (CDC)
- [V-safe After Vaccine Health Checker](#) (CDC)

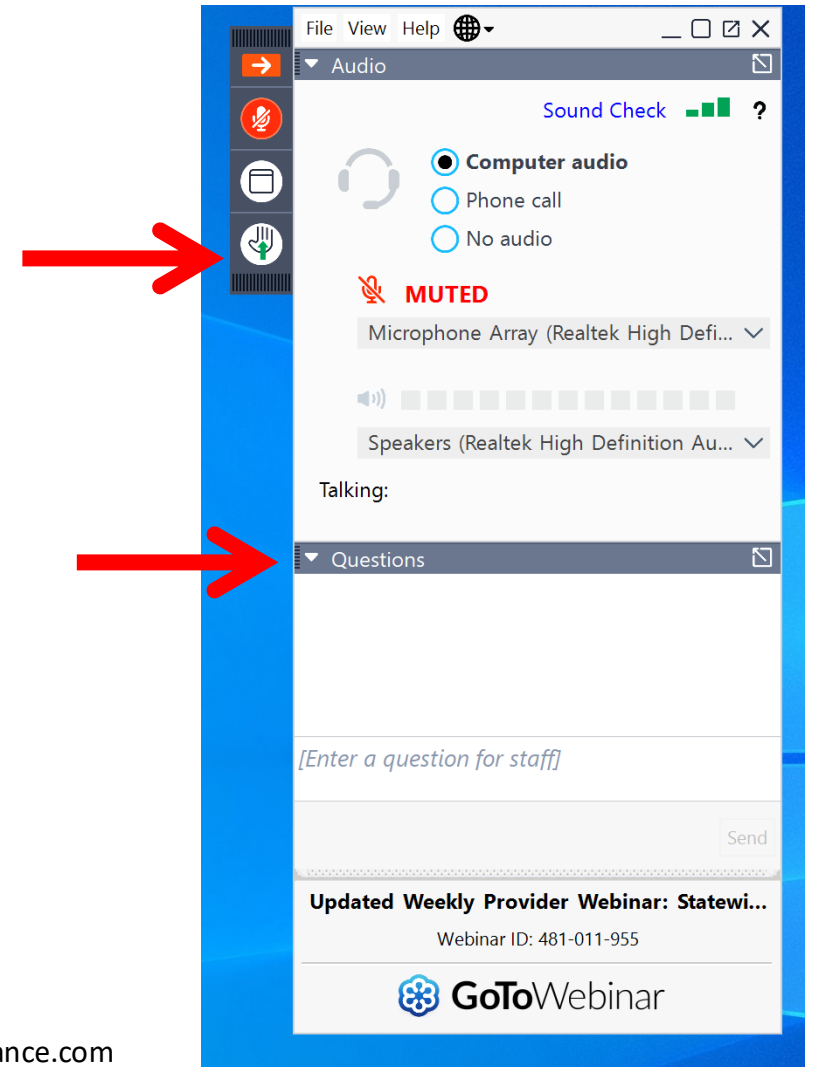
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Poll Questions

- Question 1: What are you hearing among staff and clients as the top concerns about the COVID-19 vaccine?
- Question 2: Which of these options do you think would work best for administering the vaccine in your program or programs
- Question 3: Which of these options best describes the setting where you work or volunteer?

Questions and answers

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