



A STUDY FOR VIRUS AND INFECTIONS IN ESSENTIAL WORKERS

Community Partner Highlight



June was Men's Health Month and to celebrate we are highlighting the Tennessee Men's Health Network! The network works to improve the health and wellbeing of men and their families across the state. The organization's goals are to save men's lives by reducing premature mortality of men and boys, foster health care education and services, increase positive physical and mental health outcomes, reduce cycles of violence and addiction, energize government support, and encourage women to expand their role as leaders and activists in the space of men's health.

"Men's Health Month is a time to shine a spotlight on the specific health needs of men and boys. It's an opportunity not only for guys, but for families to learn more about male health and to utilize this month to schedule an appointment with a healthcare provider.", Mike Leventhal, Executive Director TMHN.

Thanks to the TMHN, we reached more men across middle Tennessee. Learn more about the Tennessee Men's Health Network here: <https://menshealthnetwork.org/tnchapter/>



Study Team Highlights



Meet the VIEW Study Coordinators!

Providing quality support to over 1,500 study participants is no easy task! Phone calls, preparing study kits for mailing, and vaccination reviews are just a few of the tasks that our team works hard to complete each day. This daily work keeps the VIEW study running and helps to ensure the highest level of service to you.

Our VIEW study team is strengthened by the amazing diversity and experience of each staff member. Our team members have backgrounds in fields including public health, education, and psychology. They also live in five different counties in middle Tennessee and bring an understanding of the unique cultures and needs of our neighbors. We are lucky to also have bilingual and bicultural staff whose work helps to ensure that our Spanish speaking neighbors can easily participate.

You will likely hear from one of our fabulous coordinators as they reach out to you to update your study information or help to remind you of any missed weekly or quarterly surveys, weekly nasal swabs, and biannual blood spots. You can also reach out to the team with any questions or concerns that you might have by calling 615-875-1385 or sending an email at viewstudy@vumc.org.

Thank you VIEW team for all the work that you do!

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1. an act of bringing something or someone up to date

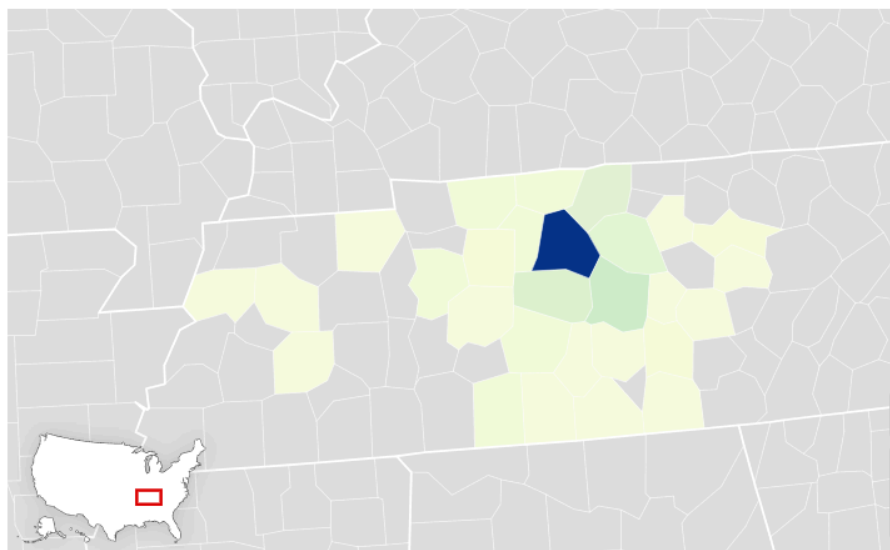
Study Updates

To be eligible to enroll in the VIEW study an individual had to live within 100 miles of the main Vanderbilt University Medical Center. This allowed a wide range of individuals from both urban, suburban, and rural areas to participate. Multiple methods of outreach were used to ensure that study information was shared far and wide including paid advertisements, social media, and collaborations with community partners and government leaders.

Here is a quick snapshot that shows where the Tennessee VIEW study enrollees live based on density and counties of residence.

VIEW Study Enrollment

Heat density map of enrollments by zip code



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Have a vacation coming up?

You can still submit your surveys and swabs from anywhere in the continental United States.

If you need to pause your participation while on your trip,

simply call or email the study team at 615-875-1385 or viewstudy@vumc.org

COVID UPDATES

CDC's Respiratory Virus Guidance

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/testing.html>

“Each year, respiratory viruses are responsible for millions of illnesses and thousands of hospitalizations and deaths in the United States. In addition to the virus that causes COVID-19, there are many other types of respiratory viruses, including flu and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV). The good news is there are actions you can take to help protect yourself and others from health risks caused by respiratory viruses.”

Respiratory Virus Activity Levels- Provides an update on how COVID-19, influenza, and RSV may be spreading nationally and in your state.

<https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/data-research/dashboard/activity-levels.html>