

DoD COVID-19 UPDATE

March 18, 2020

Key Developments

- Secretary of Defense Mark Esper visited Fort Detrick, MD to see how DoD doctors and scientists are advancing vaccine and treatment efforts. Afterward, he conducted a briefing with the Pentagon press corps where he announced DoD is prepared to distribute up to 5M N-92 masks (1M immediately) and up to 2,000 deployable ventilators to HHS. Additionally, the Navy's hospital ships are preparing to deploy.
- USTRANSCOM released guidance for personnel affected by the DoD stop movement order.
- USAFRICOM cancelled its PHOENIX EXPRESS exercise.
- USNORTHCOM is supporting HHS by currently housing 1,472 personnel: Travis AFB (850), Lackland AFB (134), MCAS Miramar (238), Dobbins ARB/Clay (250).
- National Guardsmen in 22 states are providing personnel and/or facilities to support civil authorities.

DoD Totals, 0500, March 18, 2020

	Cases	Hospitalized	Recovered	Deaths
Military	49(+13)	3(+1)	7	0
Civilian	14(+6)	6(+1)	0	0
Dependent	19(+7)	1(+1)	0	0
Contractor	7(+4)	4(+1)	0	0

Today's Events

- 1100: Press Brief, Gen David Goldfein, Air Force Chief of Staff, about how the U.S. Air Force is responding to COVID-19.
- 1330: Press Brief, Jonathan Rath Hoffman, ATSD(PA), and Brig Gen Paul Friedrichs, Joint Staff Surgeon, about DoD's COVID-19 response.