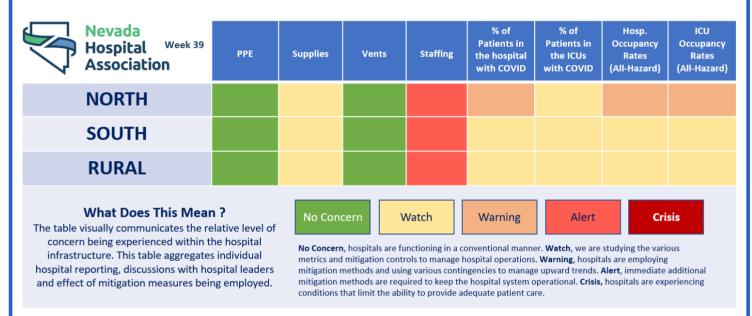


Weekly Wrap Up

2021 Week 39

Hospital staffing challenges continue to place limits on patient transfers and the ability to admit patients. During the past few months, staffed beds within Washoe County have contracted from 1,782 total beds (8/8/2021) to 1,320 staffed beds (9/21). Staffed intensive care beds in Washoe County have been reduced from 233 (8/8) to 166 (9/21). Rural hospitals are also experiencing staffing shortfalls as larger facilities, and travel staffing agencies poach nurses. Similar issues are also being felt in the south.



Risk table changes from last week's report are appreciable in the north. All-hazard occupancy rates for both ward beds and ICU beds have been increased to warning status. This has occurred as multiple hospitals report occupied staffed beds in these categories above the 90% threshold. Some northern hospitals have open requests for additional staffing and equipment, which emergency managers have difficulty fulfilling. Supplies have been changed to watch status and are anticipated to remain in this status throughout 2021 and into 2022. Staffing shortages in the trucking industry, chip shortages, and significant shipping delays and backlogs at CA ports are all contributing factors to potential supply-chain disruptions. Hospitals should be prepared to see multiple products and supplies go on allocation later in the year. Hospital infrastructure remains vulnerable to multifactor threats such as COVID spikes simultaneously with staffing and supply challenges. *Correction:* last week's chart showed All-Hazard ICU Occupancy Rates as green in the rural area; this should have been reflected as yellow or watch status.

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