

## CDC to convene clinical lab COVID-19 response weekly calls

March 20, 2020—The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's [Division of Laboratory Systems](#) will convene a weekly call, beginning Monday, March 23, at 3:00 PM ET, with clinical laboratories to discuss the nation's clinical laboratory response to COVID-19. This call will be the first of a series of weekly calls the division will host to discuss hot topics and to solicit the laboratory community's questions about the national response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The calls will take place every Monday at 3:00 PM ET.

The agenda for March 23 includes information about the CDC laboratory response team, FDA guidance for validating tests for COVID-19, CLIA during emergencies, case investigations and reporting results to state health departments, coordinating with public health laboratories, and practicing laboratory biosafety when testing or processing specimens.

You can join the call online by using Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/413881607>) or you can dial in by finding your local number at <https://zoom.us/u/aeKABTPtFG>. The meeting ID is 413 881 607.