

# Academic Health Centers Respond to COVID-19



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## COMMUNITY

### University of Arizona

received a \$1.35M grant to continue its supports for 16 rural hospitals in combating COVID-19. These rural hospitals serve as the only location for primary, preventive, emergency, and inpatient care for many Arizonans and are often provided fewer resources than necessary to operate safely.

<https://uanews.arizona.edu/story/uarizona-health-sciences-awarded-135m-covid19-relief-rural-hospitals>



## RESEARCH

### University of Minnesota

conducted a trial that showed hydroxychloroquine has no benefit over a placebo in preventing COVID-19. The results of the randomized trial further showed 40% of patients receiving the drug developed non-serious side effects.

<https://covidpep.umn.edu/>



## TESTING

### University of Mississippi Medical Center

established a mobile field clinic for patients with non-emergency respiratory illnesses. The clinic is set up in a parking garage and operated on a referral admittance until the pilot phase is complete. The facility can also serve patients with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 with symptoms requiring minor care.

[https://www.umc.edu/news/News\\_Articles/2020/04/Mobile-field-clinic-established.html](https://www.umc.edu/news/News_Articles/2020/04/Mobile-field-clinic-established.html)



## VACCINES

### University of Pennsylvania

joined the AAVCOVID gene-based vaccine program to protect against SARS-CoV-2, the virus that cause COVID-19. The AAVCOVID vaccine is currently in preclinical development with a plan to begin clinical testing later this year.

<https://www.pennmedicine.org/news/news-releases/2020/may/gene-therapy-program-at-penn-medicine-joins-aavcovid-vaccine-project>