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COVID-19 in Illinois

DoIT Secretary Guerrier recently shared a message to employees on COVID-19 and a few excerpts are below:

“Please know that I am in ongoing conversations with state leaders on our approach and response to COVID-19. Keeping employees and Illinois residents safe is our top priority. Our team at DoIT will play a critical role in the state's response as it relates to data, cyber policies and planning efforts for all contingencies. Thanks to all of you for the valuable contribution you make to keep state operations, as related to IT, stable and functioning during this time.”

Link here for the Secretary's full message.

New Coronavirus Website Launched

DoIT’s Web Services team has been rapidly working on the development of a Coronavirus-19 website for the State of Illinois. The new site was announced by Governor Pritzker this week and will provide the public with the latest news and information on COVID-19 and the impact in our state, as well as resources and best practices to stay healthy. The site includes information on prevention, preparation and FAQs, and Illinois’ COVID-19 statistics are updated daily. To view the new site, click here.

“We Will Get Through This Together”

This week, Governor Pritzker released a message to State Employees on the changes to our work environment. Many DoIT employees were instructed to work remotely to minimize the spread of COVID-19, while others are needed onsite to maintain essential services. Regardless of your status, this changes life for all of us and staying healthy is a top priority. You can visit the Centers for Disease and Prevention (CDC) site to review ways to keep yourself protected. DoIT offers technology tools and support for remote work and our SoundBytes Blog describes adjusting to telework. If you’d like to share a picture of your own remote work setting or even a favorite furry coworker, you can send to DoIT.Communications@illinois.gov.

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If you’re looking for ways to assist the students in your life with transitioning to online learning, Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) offers many tools to assist during this time. ISBE’s website includes helpful resources, including Online Learning Resources.