COVID-19 Survey of Primary Care Clinicians and Patients
Topic: Practice Closures, Care Deferred, Risk of Country Opening

The risk of practices closing is real, which would leave many patients panicked and scared.

- **40%** of practices have had to furlough/layoff staff.
- **19%** of practices have temporarily closed.
- **40%** are uncertain if they will be open in 4 weeks.
- **62%** of patients would be panicked, heartbroken, or otherwise find it difficult if their primary care practice were to close.
- **18%** are worried about the potential impact on their care through lost knowledge of medical history.

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Care is already being deferred.

- **81%** of practices that have limited wellness and chronic care visits.

Care least often occurring:
- **5%** Cancer screenings
- **10%** Adult vaccinations
- **12%** Monitoring of cancer survivors
- **14%** Childhood immunizations

Patients report being **overdue** for:
- **35%** Wellness Visit
- **32%** Preventive Health
- **19%** Chronic Illness Visit

Both clinicians and patients are worried about re-opening the country.

When asked if they think it is safe to “open up” the country:

- **78%** of clinicians said “yes.” Roughly half of each said “no,” and the remainder were either unsure or thought certain conditions (related to infection rates, testing capacity, and contact tracing) would need to be met.

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