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Articles actuels sur le Covid-19

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Nous ne sommes pas en mesure de publier des informations actuelles sur le thème du coronavirus/Covid-19 dans le *Bulletin des médecins suisses*. Nous vous rendons cependant attentifs aux publications dans le *Swiss Medical Weekly* (SMW). En tant que revue en ligne, le SMW peut mieux réagir à l'actualité et a déjà publié plusieurs excellents articles de différents experts et expertes suisses. Vous trouverez ci-dessous une sélection d'articles datant du 27 mars 2020. La liste exhaustive et continuellement mise à jour est disponible sous www.smw.ch/covid-19.

Good rules for ICU admission allow a fair allocation of resources, even in a pandemic Suter Peter M.

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A set of guidelines concerning ethical, medical and social aspects of triage decisions, as well as of other related problems of the Covid-19 pandemic: In all cases, decisions must be based on sound, transparent and understandable rules.

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Covid-19 epidemic in Switzerland: on the importance of testing, contact tracing and isolation

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A liberal approach to testing for SARS-CoV-2 in Switzerland is needed as part of the package of control measures.

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Recommendations for the admission of patients with Covid-19 to intensive care and intermediate care units (ICUs and IMCUs)

Swiss Society of Intensive Care Medicine

The Swiss Society of Intensive Care Medicine (SSIM) has elaborated detailed and coherent guidelines defining the criteria for admission to the ICU in situations of bed shortage.

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Covid-19 pandemic: triage for intensivecare treatment under resource scarcity

Swiss Academy of Medical Sciences

If insufficient resources are available, rationing decisions will become necessary, placing considerable burdens on medical staff. This makes it all the more important that uniform criteria for ICU admission and continued occupancy should be applied throughout Switzerland.

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Covid-19: decision making and palliative care

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Due to the current development around the Covid-19 pandemic, palliative ch has created a Task Force to provide recommendations for health professionals on the treatment of palliative care patients in the various settings – inpatient and outpatient.

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Covid-19 pandemic: palliative care for elderly and frail patients at home and in residential and nursing homes

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The current pandemic and the publication of the SAMS Guidelines "Covid-19 pandemic: triage for intensive-care treatment under resource scarcity" have prompted the Association for Geriatric Palliative Medicine to prepare these recommendations for practice.

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