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West Texas AGC News & Resources

Safety Tips - It's That Time of the Year Again: Flu Season & Diabetes Month, COVID Isn't Leaving Yet

FLU or COVID-19?

The arrival of the fall and winter months signals many things, including flu season. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), flu activity peaks between December and February. It's likely that flu viruses and the virus that causes COVID-19 will both spread this fall and winter.

Is It COVID-19?

People with COVID-19 have experienced a wide range of mild to severe symptoms, appearing 2 to 14 days after exposure, including:



Diabetes Month

Diabetes affects over 30 million Americans—and that number grows every day. While Type 1 diabetes can't be prevented, you can take steps to prevent Type 2 diabetes—the type that is most common.

- **Eat healthy.** Especially if you increase physical activity; do not skip meals.
- **Be more active.** Aim for at least 30 minutes of exercise daily. adding aerobic and weight bearing exercises as permissable.
- **Lose extra weight, and keep it off.** Prepare now for the holidays.

Encourage your employees, family or co-workers during American Diabetes Month, to see a doctor to get a blood sugar test.

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Election News from AGC-TBB | Texas Building Branch



- Republicans retain control of Texas House and Senate amid big voter turnout.
- Republican Dade Phelan secures enough support for House speaker position.
- Several new members will take seats in the Legislature as a handful of incumbents are ousted. Meanwhile, three House seats remain contested.

[Election Edition of AGC TBB Capital Roundup](#)

Marijuana initiatives pass in 5 states: What contractors need to know

[Read specific State Measures](#)

Four states — Arizona, Montana, New Jersey and South Dakota — approved recreational use of marijuana while Mississippi and South Dakota approved the use of medical marijuana in ballot measures on Tuesday. These additions make a total of 15 states and the District of Columbia with legalized marijuana.

Legalization of marijuana has raised concerns for U.S. contractors because of issues surrounding workplace safety and questions about drug testing. *The Associated General Contractors of America (AGC) said in a statement yesterday that cannabis use negatively impacts attention and decision-making, posing a risk to workers and the general public.*

What's in store for contractors under a Biden presidency?

From infrastructure spending and union support to immigration, taxes and regulations, the construction industry will face a new set of challenges and opportunities under a Biden Administration. After a contentious election week that includes the potential for continued lawsuit and recounts, major news outlets have declared that former Vice President Joe Biden will be the next president of the United States.

Looking forward to Inauguration Day and beyond, what does that mean for the U.S. construction industry?

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Will Border Wall Construction Continue Under Biden

Work on the wall that President Donald Trump promised to build on the southern US border will likely come to a halt once the Biden administration takes over.

Contractors are on pace to complete 470 miles of the wall, ***much of which has been funded through diverted military construction funds.***



[Read Border Report](#)

Election 2020: A Political & Policy Reboot for Construction? Webinar

Friday, November 13 | 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. ET
FREE for Members

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Stackable GM Vehicle Discounts Available

AGC members can enjoy a private offer of GM Fleet and Associated General Contractors of America offer \$500 on Retail or \$1000 on Fleet Delivery toward the purchase or lease of select General Motors vehicles. Association members can combine this offer with most current incentives, including current active offers.

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The Impacts of COVID-19 and the November Election on the Construction Industry - **Free Webinar**

AGC Chapters in Texas and Cokinios | Young present this timely webinar on:

**November 16, 2020
11:00 AM to 12 PM CST**

Topics will include:

- Employment and COVID
- Contracts and COVID: current contacts and planning for the future
- How will the election impact your business and the construction industry?
- How can you plan for the road ahead for you and your business?

RSVP to chughes@wtagc.org | a zoom meeting invitation will be sent prior to the meeting.

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Check out the many features of job resumes, education, and testimonials on **Texas Construction Careers** site. [Click HERE](#)



The **West Texas AGC Chapter Job Board** is an affordable \$49.00 per month per job posting!

Construction Association Ready To Work With President-elect Biden To Prepare Significant New Infrastructure And Recovery Measures



Incoming President and Congress Should Focus on Enacting Measures to Rebuild Infrastructure and Revive the Economy and Avoid Imposing Needless Regulatory Burdens that will Undermine Growth

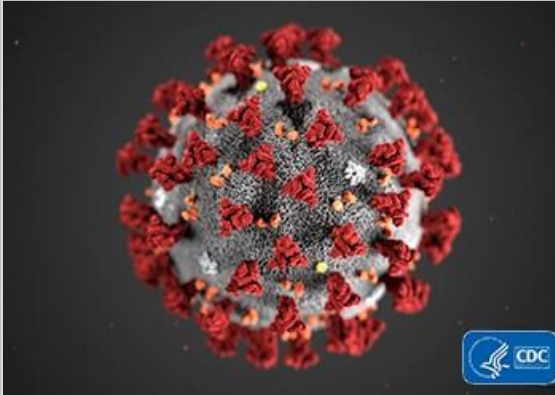
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The Associated General Contractors of America's chief executive officer, Stephen E. Sandherr, issued the following statement in reaction to the election of Joseph Biden to serve as the next president of the United States:

"Congratulations to President-elect Biden and all newly elected and re-elected members of Congress. We are ready to work with the incoming administration and Congress to help craft an agenda that is focused in rebuilding infrastructure and reviving the national economy. To that end, we are eager to work with the president-elect as he and his team fashion their promised infrastructure investment proposals. In addition, we look forward to working with federal officials to craft a new, long-term highway and transit law, enact liability reform that protects honest firms from frivolous coronavirus lawsuits and pass other tax and credit measures that will stimulate economic growth and demand for construction.

"We are also ready to work with the incoming administration and Congress to ensure they understand that imposing needless new regulatory burdens and undermining the integrity of the current collective bargaining process in the construction industry will severely undermine efforts to revive our economy and efforts to expand career opportunities in the construction industry.

"The voters have made it clear they expect its national leaders to get things done. Now that the election is over, we expect President-elect Biden and the new Congress to keep their promise and dedicate themselves to the task of bringing together all parties and positions by enacting measures that will help rebuild our country."



COVID-19 Resources and Updates

West Texas AGC and AGC of America update their COVID Resource sites to provide you with current information as it is available. This covers job site guidelines, employees, legislative and other regulatory notices from CDC, OSHA, WHO, etc.

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