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COVID-19 RESPONSE

Trump's response to the epidemic has been inept, chaotic, contradictory and catastrophic. Instead of protecting public health, he has downplayed the threat, dismissed the advice of our nation's top scientists and public health experts, and rushed to reopen without regard to safety.

Biden has a coordinated, science-based national strategy to combat the pandemic and secure a full economic recovery. He will listen to public health professionals and ensure that all frontline workers, including educators, have the necessary PPE.

Trump failed to provide medical workers the safety gear, COVID-19 test kits and supplies they needed, even after more than 60,000 healthcare workers were infected and 300 died during the first four months of the pandemic.

Biden will use the Defense Production Act to combat the COVID-19 pandemic and protect healthcare workers. He will create a State and Local Emergency Fund that gives state and local leaders the power and resources to meet critical health and economic needs.

Trump has not secured enough PPE for healthcare professionals, resulting in the reuse of masks and forcing healthcare workers to obtain their own supplies.

Biden will implement a coordinated, nationwide, future-facing effort to acquire, produce and distribute PPE, test kits and machines, lab supplies, and other critical supplies.

The Trump administration fired the government's entire pandemic response chain of command, including the White House management infrastructure, and even proposed cuts to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention two weeks after the coronavirus was a known public health emergency.

Biden will instruct the CDC to provide clear guidance and resources about both containment and mitigation for local school districts, healthcare facilities, higher education and the general public.



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Trump contradicted public health professionals, including suggesting the use of dangerous, disproven drugs such as hydroxychloroquine.

Trump's failure to act to contain the coronavirus outbreak has contributed to an economic recession on a scale unseen since the Great Depression, with tens of millions of Americans out of work.

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Biden will accelerate a coordinated global approach to develop, manufacture and distribute a safe, effective vaccine.

Biden will create millions of well-paying jobs, including mobilizing at least 100,000 people to support the public health response, and will enact premium pay for frontline workers putting themselves at risk.

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