Who should enter cases in the Dermatology COVID-19 Registry?
Only physicians and other health care professionals should enter cases. Patients should not enter their own cases. Health care professionals from any specialty and any country are encouraged to enter cases. You do not need to be a dermatologist to enter cases.

What kind of patient cases should go into the registry?
There are several different types of cases that can go into the registry:
- Patients with COVID-19 (confirmed or suspected) who develop dermatologic manifestations
- Patients with existing dermatologic conditions who subsequently develop COVID-19
- Patients on existing dermatologic medications who subsequently develop COVID-19

How long will this take?
We anticipate entering a case will take 5-7 minutes.

What kind of information will you ask for?
We will ask you for your name, email address, and hospital. We will additionally ask about the patient’s demographic information, details about the patient’s new onset dermatologic condition, the patient’s past medical history including past dermatologic conditions and treatments, as well as details surrounding the patient’s COVID-19 diagnosis and treatment. You may not have all of this information, which is fine. Please do your best and enter the information you have.

Is any identifiable patient information being collected?
No.

I have some information on a case, but not everything I think you’ll ask for. Should I still enter the case?
Yes. There will be “don’t know” responses to many of the questions, so please enter what you do have.

I *think* this patient has COVID-19, but they did not have a PCR or other lab test. Can I still enter their information?
Yes. We will ask you what type of COVID test the patient had, and “clinical suspicion only” is an option.
Is there a place to upload photos?
Currently, there is not a place to upload photos in the registry, due to our wish to protect patient identity. However, if you indicate that you do have a photo of the case, and you also indicate on the form that it is acceptable to contact you in conjunction with the case, we may reach out to ask if you would be willing to collaborate further with us and share a non-identifiable photo via a different secure platform.

Where is the data being housed, and how is it protected? Was there ethical approval?
The data is being securely stored in Redcap, hosted by Partners Healthcare (Massachusetts General Hospital). The protocol was reviewed by Partners Healthcare (Massachusetts General Hospital) IRB, with Esther Freeman, MD, PhD, as PI, and was deemed “not human subjects research.” We are not collecting any protected health information (PHI) or identifiable patient data.

I’m in private practice, not an academic medical center. Can I still enter cases?
Yes.

I have more questions about the registry. Who can I contact?
Send questions to covidregistry@aad.org.