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30 **Abstract**

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32 **Introduction:** Recent data demonstrated that socioeconomic, environmental, demographic and
33 health factors can contribute to vulnerability for COVID-19. The goal of this study was to assess
34 association between SARS CoV-2 infection, and demographic and socioeconomic factors in
35 patients from a large academic Family Medicine practice to support practice operations.

36 **Methods:** Patients referred for SARS CoV-2 testing by practice providers were identified using
37 shared patient lists in the Electronic Health Records (Epic). The Health Information Exchange
38 (CRISP) was used to identify additional practice-attributed patients receiving testing
39 elsewhere. Area Deprivation Index was derived from the Neighborhood Atlas database and
40 linked to individual patients via (5+4) zip codes. Multivariate logistic regression modeling and
41 Latent Class Analysis (LCA) were used to identify factors associated with COVID-19, including
42 the combined effect of race and poverty.

43 **Results:** Compared to White non-Hispanic patients, the odds of COVID-19 detection were
44 higher in Black non-Hispanic (OR=1.75; 95% CI 1.18, 2.59, p=0.0052) and Hispanic (OR=5.40;
45 95% CI 3.11, 9.38, p<0.0001) patients. The LCA revealed additional patterns in health
46 disparities. Patients living in the areas with ADI 8-10 who were predominantly Black, had higher
47 risk for SARS CoV-2 infection compared to patients living in less socio-economically deprived
48 areas who were predominantly White (OR=1.68; 95% CI 1.25, 2.28; p=0.0007).

49 **Conclusion:** Our data provide insight into the association of COVID-19 with race/ethnic minority
50 patients residing in highly socio-economically deprived areas. These data could impact outreach
51 and management of ambulatory COVID-19 in the future.



52 **Keywords:** Area Deprivation Index; COVID-19; Health Disparities; Latent Class Analysis;
53 Primary Care

54 **Introduction**

55 The novel coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) was first encountered and isolated in
56 December 2019 in China ¹, rapidly evolving into an unprecedented global pandemic that has
57 endangered many lives. ²⁻⁷ During this outbreak, epidemiologic data demonstrate poorer
58 outcomes and higher risk of severe COVID-19 among people aged ≥ 65 years, those with
59 underlying health conditions such as hypertension, cardiovascular disease, chronic lung
60 conditions, diabetes mellitus, obesity, immune deficiency, cancer, and tobacco use compared to
61 those who are younger and/or without these conditions ^{2-4,6,8,9} Furthermore, a host of
62 interdependent socioeconomic, environmental, demographic, and health factors likely contribute
63 to gradations of vulnerability for COVID-19. ^{5,10} Social determinants of health are known to be
64 powerful influencers of medical illness, behavioral health characteristics, and outcomes. ¹¹⁻¹⁴
65 Higher SARS CoV-2 infection rates among racial and ethnic minority communities are also
66 suggestive of deep-rooted health disparity issues. ^{10,15} Data are emerging on the association of
67 race and poverty with COVID-19 in high density and socio-economically deprived
68 neighborhoods with high numbers of Medicaid patients.²⁰

69 During SARS CoV-2 outbreak, primary care practices had to re-configure their workflow to
70 become responsive to the pandemic. Facing a high volume of patients needing SARS CoV-2
71 screening, the University of Maryland Family Medicine and Immediate Care (UFM) practices
72 utilized the Learning Health System guidance from the National Academies of Science,
73 Engineering and Medicine to create an adaptive response to COVID-19. ^{16,17} As a part of this



74 response, demographic data for all patients undergoing SARS CoV-2 testing were collected.
75 These data have led us to understand that our practices provide screening for COVID-19 to
76 individuals residing in highly socioeconomically deprived neighborhoods, and that African
77 Americans or Black patients formed the largest number of SARS CoV-2 positive individuals.¹⁷
78 Area Deprivation Index (ADI) had been recently adopted in several studies as a comprehensive,
79 composite census-based socioeconomic index comprised of 17 elements that measure
80 neighborhood's socioeconomic disadvantage such as poverty, education, unemployment rates,
81 crime, household composition, median home value, median rent, home ownership, education,
82 and access to a telephone or motor vehicle.^{13,14,18–21} Building upon our prior work, the goal of
83 this study was to assess the association between demographic characteristics, Maryland ADI
84 and COVID-19 in patients from the UFM practices during first three months of pandemic
85 (3/12/2020 – 6/4/2020).

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87 **Methods**

88 The UFM offices are located in urban Baltimore City, and suburban Howard County where
89 diverse populations are served. Both sites utilize the Epic electronic health record, and each site
90 has a co-located primary care and immediate care practice. Collectively, the department serves
91 approximately 10,000 patients with 35,000 visits annually and offers testing for COVID-19 at
92 each site. Samples were collected via nasopharyngeal or nasal swabs and analyzed at licensed
93 commercial and hospital-based labs using SARS-CoV-2 reverse transcriptase–polymerase
94 chain reaction.



95 Data collection utilized shared patient lists in Epic EHR to identify patients referred for SARS
96 CoV-2 testing by practice providers. The state designated Health Information Exchange
97 (CRISP) was used to identify patients from our practice panel who received testing elsewhere.
98 Demographic data (age, sex, race, Hispanic ethnicity, street address, zip codes) and test results
99 were extracted from Epic EHR. Race and ethnicity were self-reported, and grouped for
100 downstream analyses as 1) African American or Black non-Hispanic/Unknown ethnicity, 2)
101 White non-Hispanic/ Unknown ethnicity, 3) Hispanic (regardless of race), and 4) Other/Unknown
102 race non-Hispanic/Unknown ethnicity. Race distribution for “Other” group is shown in
103 Supplemental Table 1; race distribution for Hispanic patients is shown in Supplemental Table 2.
104 COVID-19 data for the state of Maryland were obtained through the Maryland Department of
105 Health COVID-19 dashboard and data were downloaded from the Maryland GIS data
106 catalog.^{22,23} Average SARS CoV-2 positivity rate for the State of Maryland was estimated based
107 on daily testing volumes and number of positive tests between 3/23/2020 and 6/4/2020.
108 Demographic characteristics of the UFM patients were obtained from the claims data for the
109 year preceding COVID-19 pandemic (02/01//2019 – 01/31/2020).
110 To characterize socio-economic status (SES), we used ADI derived from the neighborhood atlas
111 database^{13,19} The ADIs are constructed based on the 2010 census data using Census Block
112 Groups with a unique 12-digit Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) code. In the
113 database, state-specific ADIs are expressed as deciles and are constructed by ranking the ADI
114 from lowest (1, least disadvantaged) to highest (10, most disadvantaged) for each state. The
115 neighborhood atlas database also includes 9-digit zip codes (5+4) matched to the 12-digit FIPS
116 code, which allowed for assigning ADI ranks to individual patients based on their street address.



117 For the zip (5+4) codes that were not included into the database, patient-level ADI ranks were
118 imputed using median ADI from nearest neighborhoods that have the same first 7 digits (5+2)
119 zip codes, N=88), or median for corresponding 12-digit FIPS code (N=8). For patients with
120 invalid addresses, ADIs were assigned based on available (5+4) digit zip codes for the nearest
121 building in the vicinity (N=4).

122 Descriptive statistics data were obtained using SAS 9.4 software (SAS Institute Inc., Cary, NC).
123 Associations between groups of comparison were assessed using Chi-square test. Multivariable
124 binary logistic regression model was used to assess association between COVID-19 and age,
125 sex, race/ethnicity groups and State of Maryland ADI rank. Statistical significance was
126 established at $\alpha=0.05$. Latent Class Analysis (LCA) for correlated categorical variables
127 (race/ethnicity and ADI) was performed using JMP Pro 13 software (SAS Institute Inc., Cary,
128 NC). After preliminary data exploration, two classes were pre-specified. The most likely cluster
129 for each participant was determined using mixture probabilities of the cluster, determining the
130 highest probability of membership.²⁴

131 **Results**

132 **COVID-19 prevalence in Maryland.** Between 3/23/20 and 6/4/20, the results for 400,437 SARS
133 CoV-2 tests were reported to the Maryland Department of Health electronically, and 66,168
134 positive cases were identified (unadjusted positivity rate 16.52%, 95% Confidence Interval (CI)
135 16.41-16.64). Among positive cases identified during this period, 28.7% were African American
136 or Black; 19.5% were White non-Hispanic, and 25.7% were Hispanic.



137 **University Family Medicine patient characteristics.** In a year preceding pandemic
138 (02/01/2019 – 01/31/2020), 86, 843 invoices for 24, 441 patients were recorded at the UFM
139 practices. On average, the UFM patients were 37.1±19.4 years old, 64.2% were females,
140 53.5% were Black, and 30.5% were White.

141 A descriptive summary of demographic characteristics for patients tested for SARS CoV-2 in the
142 UFM clinics between 3/12/2020 and 6/4/2020 is shown in Table 1. Among 1,781 tested patients,
143 average age was 43.2±16.4 years, 69.7% were females, 59.5% were Black, 26.5% were White
144 non-Hispanic, 4.7% were Hispanic, and 49.9% were residing in areas with state of Maryland
145 ADI 8-10 (Table 1).

146 [Insert Table 1]

147 Overall, 272 (15.3%) of patients were positive for SARS CoV-2 (95% CI 13.5%, 17.0%). Among
148 positive cases, 80.1% were between 25 and 64 years old, 72.8% were females, 64.7% were
149 Black, 16.2% were White non-Hispanic, 11.4% were Hispanic and 58.1% lived in areas with ADI
150 8-10 (Figure 1 and data not shown).

151 [Insert Figure 1]

152 **SARS CoV-2 testing and the impact of age and gender:** The highest SARS CoV-2 infection
153 rate was observed in 34-45 year old patients, and was slightly higher in females compared to
154 males; however the associations between COVID-19 and either age or sex were not statistically
155 significant (Table 1). Association between age and sex was also not statistically significant
156 (Supplemental Table 3).



157 **SARS CoV-2 testing and the impact of race/ethnicity and socio-economic deprivation:**

158 SARS CoV-2 positivity rate was highest in Hispanic patients (36.9%) followed by Black non-
159 Hispanic (16.6%, Table 1). SARS CoV-2 positivity rate was highest for patients living in areas
160 with ADI 8-10 (Table1). There was a strong correlation between race/ethnicity and ADI, with
161 69.6% of Black patients living predominantly in the highly deprived areas with ADI 8-10, and
162 White patients living in areas with ADI 5-7 or 1-4 (Table 2). The majority of “Other” non-Hispanic
163 patients (84.3%) also lived in areas with ADI 1-4 or 5-7 (Table 2). The distribution of Hispanic
164 patients was spread approximately evenly across all ADI ranks, however 41.7% of these
165 patients lived in areas with ADI 8-10 (Table 2).

166 [Insert Table 2]

167 In the multivariable logistic regression model, only race/ethnicity but not ADI rank, age or sex
168 were significantly associated with COVID-19. The interaction terms between age and sex as
169 well as race/ethnicity and ADI were also not statistically significant and were excluded from the
170 final model (data not shown). Regardless of age, sex and ADI rank, the odds of SARS CoV-2
171 infection were 1.8 times higher in Black compared to White patients (Odds Ratio (OR)=1.75;
172 95% CI 1.18, 2.59, $p=0.0052$). The odds of SARS CoV-2 infection among Hispanic patients
173 were 5.4 times higher compared to White non-Hispanic (OR=5.40; 95% CI 3.11, 9.38,
174 $p<0.0001$). The odds of SARS CoV-2 infection among “Other” non-Hispanic patients were
175 higher compared to White, however the difference was not statistically significant (OR=1.40;
176 95% CI 0.80, 2.44, $p=0.2287$).

177 **Latent Class Analysis.** We also conducted the LCA using ADI ranks as an ordinal variable with
178 three levels (1-4, 5-7, and 8-10) and race/ethnicity as a nominal variable with four levels as



179 defined in Table 1. We tested models with two to four classes, and found that a model with two
180 classes had the best fit based on minimizing values for the Bayes Information Criteria and
181 Akaike's Information Criteria (data not shown). Cluster 1 was identified as predominantly Black
182 living in highly deprived areas. Cluster 2 was identified as a predominantly White living in areas
183 with low or intermediate ADI ranks. Cluster membership proportion were 0.66 and 0.34 for
184 Cluster 1 and Cluster 2 respectively.

185 Parameter estimates for two classes are shown in Figure 2. Given Cluster 1 membership,
186 probabilities for a patient to live in highly deprived areas (ADI 8-10) were 0.72, to live in the
187 areas with ADI 5-7 were 0.20, and to live in areas with ADI 1-4 were 0.08; probabilities of being
188 Black were 0.87, being White were 0.07, being Hispanic were 0.04 and have other or unknown
189 race were 0.02 (Figure 1 and data not shown). Given Cluster 2 membership, probabilities for a
190 patient to live in the areas with ADI 8-10 were 0.07, to live in the areas with ADI 5-7 were 0.32,
191 and to live in areas with ADI 1-4 were 0.61; probabilities of being Black were 0.08, being White
192 were 0.62, being Hispanic were 0.06 and have other or unknown race were 0.23 (Figure 2 and
193 data not shown).

194 [Insert Figure 2]

195 After latent class membership was identified, we treated it as a categorical independent variable
196 in a logistic regression model with SARC CoV-2 positivity rate as a dependent variable. Initial
197 analysis indicated that the effects of age and sex were not statistically significant (data not
198 shown). The odds of COVID-19 were 1.7 times higher for Cluster 1 members who were
199 predominantly Black patients living in highly deprived areas compared to Cluster 2 members



200 who were predominantly White patients living in areas with low or moderate level of socio-
201 economic deprivation (OR=1.68; 95% CI 1.25, 2.28; p=0.0007).

202 Discussion

203 An emerging role for primary care during the pandemic is to provide ambulatory management of
204 COVID-19, with outreach and remote patient monitoring for home-dwelling patients and seniors.
205 During the first three months of this pandemic, the Family Medicine ambulatory practices were
206 on the front line for the COVID-19 response in Maryland, screening and testing approximately
207 2,000 patients for SARS CoV-2 using RT-PCR by mid-June 2020.

208 An unadjusted estimate for the proportion of SARS CoV-2 cases (15.3%) in our study
209 population was similar to the estimates obtained by Martinez et al. for the same population in
210 the Baltimore-Washington area (16.3%)²⁵ as well as our estimate for the state of Maryland
211 16.5% daily average positivity rate during the same time period, with overlapping 95%
212 confidence intervals.

213 Consistent with UFM practice locations in Baltimore and the overall UFM patients'
214 demographics, Black patients were the largest group tested for the SARS CoV-2 (59.5%)
215 followed by White patient (29.7%). The proportion of Hispanic patients tested during the study
216 period was relatively small (4.7%), reflective of their low overall proportion of total patients in our
217 catchment areas. State-specific data for SARS CoV-2 testing volumes by race and ethnicity,
218 especially during first months of the outbreak, are sparse. Among SARS CoV-2 positive cases,
219 Black patients were over-represented, and Hispanic patients were under-represented in our
220 study population compared to the state-wide race/ethnicity distribution.^{22,23}



221 Our data support that racial/ethnic minorities have a higher risk of COVID-19 compared to non-
222 Hispanic White and other non-Black racial groups. The unadjusted estimates for the proportion
223 of SARS CoV-2 positive patients by race/ethnicity were comparable with estimates obtained by
224 Martinez et al. for the same population, although patients from that study were sicker based on
225 a high hospitalization rate for SARS CoV-2 positive patients (35.9%)²⁵ Patients with COVID-19
226 in our data were predominantly ambulatory with hospitalization rate of approximately 8.3%, and
227 one confirmed COVID-attributed death (unpublished observation).

228 Based on the CDC data for the first six months of this pandemic, COVID-19 prevalence was
229 estimated to be 2.6 times higher in Black non-Hispanic and 2.8 times higher in Hispanic persons
230 compared to White non-Hispanics.⁵ The estimates for Black patients in our study population
231 were comparable with the nation-wide data, while estimates for Hispanic patients were higher.
232 This could be due to the different time frame for the available data, small number of Hispanic
233 patients in our study population, as well as due to low SES, nonconformity to preventive
234 practices, more limited access and distrust of health care institutions.¹⁵ Further studies are
235 needed to unveil the reasons for health disparities in Hispanic patients in our practices.

236 Historically, Baltimore is one of the geographic areas in the US that has marked geographic
237 segregation of ethnic/racial groups owing to structural racism such as discriminatory housing
238 policies.²⁶ In the multivariate logistic regression model, we did not detect a significant
239 association between COVID-19 and ADI after adjustment for race/ethnicity. An alternative
240 approach using the LCA identified health disparity patterns based on the race and SES that
241 were not revealed by logistic regression analysis. In our study, a cluster of patients who were
242 predominantly Black and lived in highly SES-deprived areas had higher risk of COVID-19



243 compared to a cluster of patients who were predominantly White and lived in areas with higher
244 SES. These data are in concordance with our previous observation about spatial race and ADI
245 distribution of SARS CoV-2 positive cases among Baltimore suburban and urban populations.¹⁷
246 High ADI communities with disproportionate number of racial/ethnic minorities are known to
247 experience marked disparities in health and socioeconomic status.²⁴ Higher risk for COVID-19
248 in the underserved communities reflect the underlying inequities in health, income, access to
249 government resources and participation, incarceration, and education.¹¹

250 In our study population, age and gender did not have a significant association with SARS CoV-2
251 infection rate, although other studies have demonstrated greater propensity for infection and
252 adverse outcomes among older patients.²⁷⁻²⁹ This finding may be due in part to the fact that our
253 data were collected from community-dwelling individuals, while published data may reflect
254 institutional living in long-term care facilities and existing chronic conditions. Also, based on our
255 empiric observation, the entire UFM practice population may be skewed younger than the
256 community.

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258 Our study has several limitations, including the use of observational data from clinical sources.
259 Data were collected from a single practice with four sites and represent a convenience sample
260 of patients who were seeking SARS CoV-2 testing or developed symptoms that required
261 medical intervention. The UFM practice followed the CDC guidelines to prioritize SARS CoV-2
262 testing to high-risk populations in the early months of the pandemic. Race and ethnicity were
263 self-reported, which could have led to underestimation of the proportion of ethnic minorities,
264 especially Hispanic, in the study population. The ADI ranks were computed based on 2010



265 census data, and were based on the neighborhood characteristics rather than SES for individual
266 patients. In addition, we captured only limited number of demographic and SES characteristics.
267 Other risk factors, including underlying chronic medical conditions, should be taken into
268 consideration in the future studies.

269 Given the expected higher prevalence of underlying risk factors in underserved communities,
270 there may be a higher probability of poor outcomes from COVID-19.^{13,30,31} Therefore, the role of
271 primary care would include not only SARS CoV-2 testing and management, but also
272 management of chronic conditions and preventive care delivery supported by telehealth. In
273 addition, there is a need to re-invent the practice-patient relationship, with a high degree of
274 patient outreach, remote patient monitoring, phone supports and telehealth. Patients living in
275 high ADI communities, especially the high risk, elderly population, are more likely to lack
276 internet connectivity and devices to connect with their primary care practices and to self-
277 manage chronic conditions, which must be considered and addressed in the design of
278 interventions.³² There is also a need to develop payment models to support the management of
279 defined populations with the use of remote patient monitoring, and centralized monitoring by
280 practices using novel workflows. New paradigms of care delivery need to be taught to medical
281 students and residents to ensure that the pipeline for medical professionals is prepared to
282 manage the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. Lastly, healthcare policy makers and
283 regulators need to work together with primary care groups to optimize the implementation of
284 new technologies, care delivery and payment models in order to entrench these new systems of
285 care beyond temporary emergency authorizations.

286 **Conclusion**



287 Neighborhood deprivation provides insight into the needs of SARS CoV-2 positive patients and
288 supports a better understanding of the characteristics of COVID-19 spread in White, Black and
289 Hispanic populations. In addition, these data provided our practices with information necessary
290 to tap into health system and state-funded resources for community outreach and COVID-19
291 prevention.³³ Policy relevant observations from this population of COVID-19 patients will be
292 provided to health system leaders, local policymakers and regulators to enable public health
293 programming to better address community needs.

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392 **Table 1:** Demographic characteristics of 1781 UFM patients tested for SARS CoV-2 between
393 3/12/2020 and 6/4/2020.

		All cases			χ^2 p value
		Total	SARS CoV-2 +		
		N (%)	n	% (95% CI)	
Total population		1781	272	15.3 (13.5, 17.0)	
Age groups, years old	0-17	76 (4.3%)	15	19.7 (11.5, 30.5)	
	18-24	129 (7.2%)	16	12.4 (7.3, 19.4)	
	25-34	374 (21.0%)	51	13.6 (10.3, 17.5)	
	35-44	369 (20.7%)	76	20.6 (16.6, 25.1)	0.0521
	45-54	336 (18.9%)	46	13.7 (10.2, 17.8)	
	55-64	326 (18.3%)	45	13.8 (10.3, 18.0)	
	65+	171 (9.6%)	23	13.5 (8.7, 19.5)	
Sex	Males	540 (30.3%)	74	13.7 (10.9, 16.9)	0.2248
	Females	1241 (69.7%)	198	16.0 (14.0, 18.1)	
Race/ethnicity*	Black	1060 (59.5%)	176	16.6 (14.4, 18.8)	<.0001
	White	471 (26.5%)	44	9.3 (6.9, 12.3)	
	Hispanic	84 (4.7%)	31	36.9 (26.6, 47.2)	
	Other	166 (9.3%)	21	12.7 (8.0, 18.7)	
MD ADI rank	1-4	467 (26.2)	62	13.3 (10.3, 16.7)	0.0117
	5-7	426 (23.9%)	52	12.2 (9.1, 15.3)	
	8-10	888 (49.9%)	158	17.8 (15.3, 20.5)	

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395 * Black were patients who self-identified as African American or Black non-Hispanic or those
396 with unknown Hispanic status. White were patients who self-identified as Caucasian or White
397 non-Hispanic or those with unknown Hispanic status. Hispanic were patients self-identified as
398 Hispanic regardless of race. Other included non-Hispanic non-Black non-White patients or those
399 with unknown race and/or Hispanic status. The distribution of races in the “Other” group is
400 shown in Supplemental Table 2. The distribution of races for Hispanic population is shown in
401 Supplemental Table 2.



402 **Table 2.** Association between race/ethnicity and MD ADI ranks in 1781 UFM patients tested for
403 SARS CoV-2 between 3/12/2020 and 6/4/2020.

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Race/Ethnicity	State of Maryland ADI rank						Total N	χ^2 p value
	1-4		5-7		8-10			
	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %		
Black	108	10.2%	214	20.2%	738	69.6%	1065	<0.0001
White	239	50.7%	143	30.4%	89	18.9%	471	
Hispanic	26	31.0%	23	27.4%	35	41.7%	84	
Other	94	56.6%	46	27.7%	26	15.7%	166	

405 Race/ethnicity groups were defined as described in the legend to Table 1.

406 MD ADI – State of Maryland Area Deprivation Index.



407 **Figure Legends**

408 **Figure 1.** Distribution of demographic characteristics in SARS CoV-2 positive cases identified in
409 the UFM practices.

410 Distributions of sex (A), race/ethnicity (B) and state of Maryland ADI ranks (C) are shown for
411 272 SARS CoV-2 positive cases identified in the UFM practices between 3/12/2020 and
412 6/4/2020. Numbers on the pie charts are number of cases and percent in each group.

413 UFM – University of Maryland Family Medicine

414 ADI – Area Deprivation Index

415 **Figure 2.** Parameter estimates for the Latent Class Analysis.

416 The Latent Class Analysis (LCA) was performed based on the data from 1781 UFM patients
417 tested for COVID-19 between 3/12/2020 and 6/4/2020. Two classes were pre-specified based
418 on the preliminary analysis. The horizontal bars are grouped according to the variables
419 specified in the LCA: MDI ADI rank (left chart) and race/ethnicity (right chart). Numbers on
420 the bars are conditional probability of the response for each level within the respective group
421 given that the observation belongs to the specific cluster. Sum of probabilities for each
422 cluster and LCA variable is equal to 1.

423 Race/ethnicity groups were defined as described in the legend to Table 1.

424 MD ADI – State of Maryland Area Deprivation Index.

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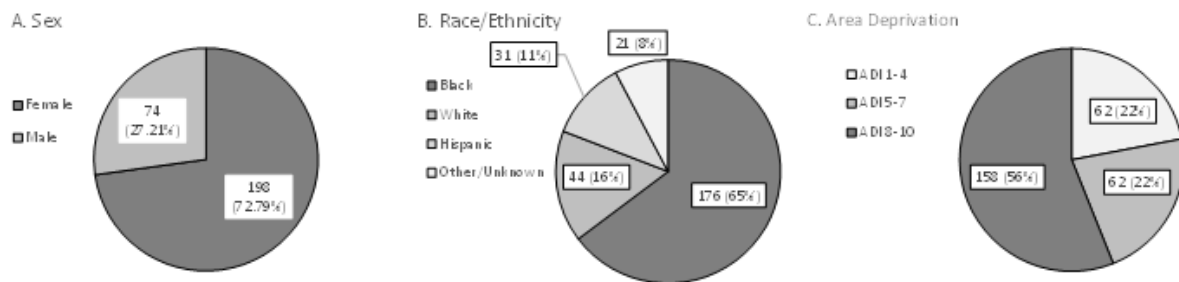
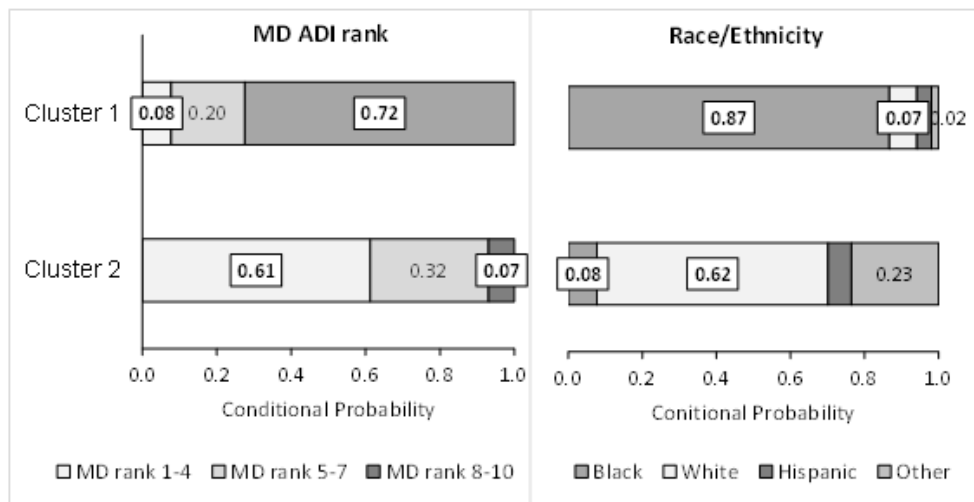


Figure 2.





434 **Supplemental Table 1.** Race distribution in “Other” race/ethnicity group among the UFM
435 patients tested for SARS CoV-2 between 3/12/2020 and 6/4/2020.

Race	N	%
Asian	63	38.0%
American Indian or Native Alaskan	6	3.6%
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	1	0.6%
Other	46	27.7%
Declined	14	8.4%
Unknown	36	21.7%
Total	166	100%

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437 Among 1781 UFM patients tested for SARS CoV-2, 166 (9.3%) selected race other than Black
438 or White or declined to report their race. These patients were combined into the “Other”
439 race/ethnicity group provided that they were of non-Hispanic ethnicity or declined to report
440 ethnicity.



441 **Supplemental Table 2.** Race distribution in self-identified Hispanic UFM patients tested for
442 SARS CoV-2 between 3/12/2020 and 6/4/2020.

Race	N	%
African American or Black	5	6.0
Caucasian or White	12	14.3
Asian	0	0
American Indian or Native Alaskan	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0
Other	59	70.2
Declined	1	1.2
Unknown	7	8.3
Total	84	100%

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444 Among 1781 UFM patients tested for SARS CoV-2, 84 (4.7%) self-identified as Hispanic, and
445 were included into the “Hispanic” race/ethnicity group regardless of their reported race.



446 **Supplemental Table 3.** Lack of association between COVID-19 and age/sex groups among
447 1781 UFM patients tested for SARS CoV-2 between 3/12/2020 and 6/4/2020.

Sex/age groups	All cases			X ² p value
	Total	SARS CoV-2 +		
	N	n	% (95% CI)	
Males				
0-17	41	7	17.1 (7.2, 32.1)	0.2366
18-24	40	5	12.5 (4.2, 26.8)	
25-34	104	11	10.6 (5.4, 18.1)	
35-44	89	18	20.2 (12.5, 30.1)	
45-54	91	16	17.6 (10.4, 27.0)	
55-64	122	12	9.8 (5.2, 16.6)	
65+	53	5	9.0 (3.1, 20.7)	
Total	540	74	13.7 (10.9, 16.9)	
Females				
0-17	35	8	22.9 (10.4, 40.1)	0.1398
18-24	89	11	12.4 (6.3, 21.0)	
25-34	270	40	14.8 (10.8, 19.6)	
35-44	280	58	20.7 (16.1, 25.9)	
45-54	245	30	12.2 (8.4, 17.0)	
55-64	204	33	16.2 (11.4, 22.0)	
65+	118	18	15.3 (9.3, 23.0)	



Total	1241	198	16.0 (14.0, 18.1)
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