

## **Brian**

### **1) How has your life changed since March as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic?**

This time period has it's ups and downs. I've been let go from my job, however I was able to gain new experiences with another company. I am constantly worrying about my son and my health. Some of my family don't understand that it's a pandemic and this is the reason I keep a distance with the baby.

### **2) What were the main or most trusted sources you received information about COVID-19 from? How did you act upon the information you received? Have you developed any new sources of information?**

I received most of my information from Social Media and the news. When I first heard of Covid-19i didn't think much of it, because there are always viruses. Then the number of deaths started to rise and then I became worried. Now the information on Covid-19 is everywhere.

### **3) What was the hardest/biggest challenge for you or your family during/amidst COVID-19?**

The hardest challenge is having an infant and not being able to attend doctor visit with my girlfriend and our baby. Having to keep my distance from the family to protect our baby.

### **4) In what ways did you address the challenges of COVID-19? What challenges do you expect will remain post-COVID-19?**

I follow all protocol to keep everyone around me and myself safe. I believe wearing mask will be the new normal with or without a vaccine.

### **5) What are your greatest fears moving forward?**

My greatest fear is catching covid-19 and bringing it home to my family.

### **6) Did you have any conversations with healthcare or other service providers about COVID-19? What did this conversation look like? Who said what?**

No, I haven't had any conversations with any health providers.

### **7) What COVID-19 resources are you aware of, or have you benefited from?**

Cooper hospital have the drive through testing.

### **8) Do you think that all communities have been treated equally during COVID? Were there populations who were favored over others?**

I'm not sure.

**9) Who do you think was left out of NJ's emergency COVID response? Why were they left out?** The Homeless families.

**10) What do you think NJ could have done better?** Provide more funds for shelter to the homeless population, more mask and other essential items.