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Governor Murphy Announces Release of Independent and Comprehensive Review of the State's Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic

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910-Page Report Prepared by Montgomery McCracken Walker & Rhoads and the Boston Consulting Group, Under the Leadership of Paul Zoubek

TRENTON – The Governor's Office today released the independent review of the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The 910-page report was authored by the law firm Montgomery McCracken Walker & Rhoads, under the leadership of former federal and state prosecutor Paul Zoubek, with assistance from the Boston Consulting Group.

Governor Murphy announced this review in November 2022, noting at the time that it would include, but not be limited to, the state of readiness in New Jersey for a pandemic in early 2020; prominent emergency policy decisions that were made by the New Jersey government; the pandemic response with respect to vulnerable residents, including members of congregate care settings; and the state government's efforts to continue core functions, including providing direct services to residents. The review was also tasked with examining the management of public health aspects of the pandemic, including testing, vaccinations, personal protective equipment procurement and distribution, and coordination of the health care system and of health information around COVID-19.

The full 910-page report can be accessed [here](https://urldefense.com/v3/https://t.e2ma.net/click/fx0kdl/7ys5259b/n7pt77_!!J30X0ZrnC1oQtbA!PZrqam9ESFwBBKHbBcsjv-tTOBrV4xCzLYLxpwuDdxTVf5FV49u3sif0_d25U2KgpfKoif1FWsuapvFGDLiwJXTX$).
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