

Ops Update

For all Michigan Medicine Faculty, Staff and Learners

Friday, Sept. 17, 2021, 11:30 a.m.

Please share this information with your teams and front line staff, especially those who may not access emails or computers.

NEW TODAY: Here's the latest information about Michigan Medicine's management of operations:

- **COVID-19 PATIENT STATS**
- **TEAM MEMBER COVID-19 TESTING**
- **VACCINE STATS**
- **INPATIENT COVID-19 VACCINATION LAUNCH 9/20**
- **MANDATORY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TRAINING**
- **UPDATED: COVID-19 PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE GUIDE**
- **COVID-19 PREVENTION BEST PRACTICES**
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DAILY COVID-19 PATIENT STATS

Today's census for COVID-19 inpatients and those patients under investigation (PUI) are noted below:

	TOTAL INPATIENTS	TESTED POSITIVE	PUI	ICU POSITIVE
ADULT	41	38	3	14
PEDIATRIC	1	1	0	0

View COVID-19 Dashboard: <https://uhabccappspr1.umhs.med.umich.edu/>

COVID-19 Patient Percent Positivity (7 day moving average, as of 9/16)

Symptomatic testing: 9.43%

Asymptomatic testing: 1.26%

Discharges: 3,039 total COVID-19 discharges to date, 6 in the last 24 hours. These numbers include patients discharged to skilled nursing facilities but exclude deaths and discharges to hospice.

TEAM MEMBER COVID-19 TESTING STATS*

POSITIVE	2,309
EMPLOYEES TESTED	16,834

TOTAL TESTS	35,662
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** Data from 3/10/20 through 9/16/21. The testing stats reflect just Michigan Medicine employees, not all University of Michigan employees. It also reflects only those who sought testing at or were hospitalized at Michigan Medicine or reported their testing to Occupational Health Services. Some Michigan Medicine employees may have been tested outside our system.*

Michigan Medicine Employee Rolling COVID Data	
Employees Positive Cases for preceding week: 8/28 - 9/3/2021	78
Employee Positive Cases Last 7 Days	73
Employees Tested Last 7 Days	1,339
Positivity Rate (Week of 9/4 - 9/10/2021)	5.45%

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VACCINE STATS

Find the most timely and up-to-date information on the [Vaccine FAQs](#) and the [Vaccine Dashboard](#).

INPATIENT COVID-19 VACCINATION LAUNCH 9/20

On Monday, Sept. 20, Michigan Medicine will begin offering COVID-19 vaccines to the following partially vaccinated and unvaccinated inpatients within University Hospital, Frankel Cardiovascular Center, Von Voigtlander Women’s Hospital and C.S. Mott Children’s Hospital:

- Patients 12+ years old who are receiving care in Adult, Adult ICU, Women’s, Pediatric, Pediatric ICU, 6A Rehab, Observation, Adult Psychiatry and Child & Adolescent Psychiatry units

Pfizer BioNTech, Moderna and Johnson and Johnson’s Janssen vaccine will all be available through the inpatient vaccination program.

Details regarding workflow, MiChart Tip Sheets and FAQs to assist with patient communication can be found on the [COVID-19 Inpatient Clinical Guidance](#) page of the IPE website, under “Patient Care.”

MANDATORY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TRAINING

Emergency Management Operations (EMO) recently updated the institutional mandatory PREP-10057/PREP-C10025 Emergency Management Operations Preparedness Training due to recent changes in Joint Commission and CMS regulations. The regulations require that U-M Health provide emergency preparedness training to all staff. This updated training is approximately eight minutes in length and will be assigned to your Learning Plan in MLearning later this month. The training should be completed within 30 days of assignment. Employees who have completed the course in the last 30 days will not need to retake the training. Thank you for your continued support and endless efforts to keep us prepared.

UPDATED: COVID-19 PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE GUIDE

The [COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Guide](#) has been updated to include these new additions:

- Eye protection updates for [Continuous Targeted Eye Protection](#) guidelines set forth by IPE have been reinstated

- COVID-19 mandatory vaccination policy related to:
 - Employee vaccination and self-reporting
 - Vendor vaccination and self-reporting for tracing
- Flexible First Workforce information
- Social gathering information
- CDC travel guidelines and public transportation policy information

COVID-19 PREVENTION BEST PRACTICES

COVID-19 transmission is high in our community and we have been seeing clusters amongst staff on multiple units. We are at a point where it is critical to reinforce the main prevention strategies for COVID-19. Please review the [COVID-19 Prevention Best Practices](#) to stay safe and help prevent COVID-19 transmission.

REMINDER: MASK AND EYE PROTECTION POLICY

Employee cases of COVID-19 are on the rise, with numerous exposures among health care workers. Please remember to mask at all times. Masks should only be removed in a private office or when eating in a designated area while appropriately distanced from others. [Click here for more on the face covering policy.](#)

Additionally, to avoid exposures to health care workers, eye protection is required for all patient care activities. This means that any time you provide care to a patient or are in a patient room/care space, you must wear eye protection along with your mask. [Please see these FAQs](#) for details.

As a reminder, in accordance with OSHA Emergency Temporary Standards, unvaccinated health care workers that have a high-risk exposure to COVID-19 are required to quarantine for 10 days post exposure. Caring for a patient with COVID-19 with a mask but no eye protection constitutes a high-risk exposure.

MASKING INFORMATION FOR PATIENTS

To prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the health care setting, please advise patients that can tolerate a mask to wear a mask when health care workers are present. When entering a patient room please kindly remind patients to please put their mask on. Masks can be provided to patients that need one. Masking provides optimal source control when everyone is wearing one. [Click here for a flier that can be posted in your areas.](#)

9/10 TOWN HALL VIDEO AND Q&A

On Friday, Sept. 10, Michigan Medicine leaders held a virtual Town Hall to discuss COVID-19 updates, updates/reminders on the COVID-19 vaccine policy, testing, the Flexible First initiative and a Q&A session. In case you missed it, you can view the video by [clicking here](#). Answers to some of the questions received during the Town Hall event are below.

Q: How does an employment applicant apply for religious or medical exemption?

A: Newly hired employees will have two days from their start date to submit a religious or medical exemption request. They will submit exemptions requests through the same Wolverine Access process as current staff.

Q: If your unit says they are delaying return to work for most staff until Nov, do you still need to submit the return to work agreement by Oct 1?

A: Yes, all departments must upload all remote work agreement by the October 1 deadline.

Q: Can COVID PTO be used for recovery from the symptoms of vaccination?

A: If you experience serious illness resulting in lost work time as a result of any administered vaccine could be covered by your eligible paid time off programs which could include: PTO or vacation/sick, COVID-19 PTO or extended sick pay. PTO or vacation/sick time must be used first, followed by COVID-19 PTO (if available and eligible). Employees would follow our normal HR and Work Connections process.

HIT PAUSE: HOPE, INSPIRATION, GRATITUDE

In this spot, we will share stories of hope, inspiration and gratitude. Take a few minutes to pause and reflect.

Sam Grewe, a first-year student at the U-M Medical School, recently won his first gold medal at the Paralympics in Tokyo. He competed in the men's T63 high jump shortly after starting his path forward as an aspiring physician. [Click here for a Q&A with Grewe](#), who spoke about his athletic journey, discussed what inspired him to pursue a career in medicine and gave advice to the next generation of doctors!

Weekly bulletins and policies are posted on Michigan Medicine Headlines at <https://mmheadlines.org/covid-19-updates/>. Please bookmark this site and refer to it for the most up-to-date information.