

Thank you all for your hard work today, we are grateful for your efforts and teamwork. Work continues across the organization to prepare for COVID-19, while safeguarding our employees and patients. Please read the updates below as they include important information about:

1. **Situational Awareness NH DHHS / MCH Census**
2. **Request for Food Contributions to Snack Cart**
3. **Memo Updates / Clarification of use:**
 - o **N95 respirators**
 - o **Tyvek® Suits**
 - o **Washable Yellow Gowns**
 - o **Reordering PPE Supplies**
 - o **N100 Respirator Fit Testing and Use**
 - o **Face Shields**
 - o **Food on Nursing Units**

Situational Awareness NH DHHS

- **A total of 985 positive COVID-19 cases have been identified in NH**, up from 929 cases yesterday. Details about the locations, including the map (updated to reflect specific towns), are in the attached press release from DHHS. According to DPHS, community-based transmission continues to increase in the State and has been identified in all of the counties with cases.

MCH Census

MSU	4	SDS	0
Surge Unit	3	PACU	0
OB	2		

REQUEST FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO SNACK CART

- Please consider donating baked goods/prepackaged snacks/Trail mix, etc that are individually wrapped. These can be dropped off in the BWC Conference room any time.
- We anticipate getting some additional "goodie" bags from a community initiative later this week or next week.

CLARIFICATION OF USE: N95 RESPIRATORS

- The use of the N95 respirator can be used until the mask becomes compromised. A mask would be considered compromised when there is wear and tear such as, the elastics no longer work, the mask has deep lacerations or tears, is wet, soiled or contaminated. Once the mask is compromised it should be thrown out and a new one obtained.
- If you have used your N95 respirator for three 12 hour shifts, after the third 12 hour shift the N95 respirator should be thrown out. A new N95 respirator should be obtained at the beginning of your next scheduled shift.

TYVEK® SUITS

- Before donning a Tyvek® suit, it should be inspected for its integrity before donning. If there are any rips, tears or holes in the suit it should not be worn.
- The Tyvek® suits found on the COVID Surge unit, ED, and Radiology should be used during the employee's shift and wiped down between patients with Caviwipes1, OxivirTb, Sanicloth wipes or Lysol wipes. A bleach product should not be used, as this will compromise the suits.

- If a Cavi spray is being used it should first be sprayed onto a washcloth and then wipe down the Tyvek® suit. The spray should not be sprayed directly onto the suit, as it may penetrate the suit causing a rash to the person wearing the suit. Do not use a bleach spray on the Tyvek® suits as it will compromise the suit.
- The Tyvek® suits being worn during the person's shift should be disposed of properly at the end of the shift. The suits should not be kept for more than one shift unless you are wearing a size that is in short supply (2XLGE, 3XLGE).
- If wearing a suit in short supply (2XLGE, 3XLGE) it can be wiped down and reused for at least three 12 hour shifts before discarding it.

WASHABLE YELLOW GOWNS

- The washable yellow gowns can be used in all areas if going into a room with a suspected COVID patient or other type of transmission based precaution.
- The washable yellow gown should be worn once and then put into the correct linen containers to be laundered.
- These washable yellow gowns can be worn by radiology or lab if they are going into a suspected precaution room
- There are also the original disposable blue gowns that can be used in precaution rooms. These disposable gowns will be used once and then disposed of in the proper receptacle.

REORDERING PPE SUPPLIES

- If PPE supplies need to be reordered, please do so through your manager. Please make sure that you have ample supplies of N95s, blue disposable gowns, tyvek suits in all sizes needed.
- If you are in need of washable yellow gowns please contact Environmental Services for a supply. Please make sure that the yellow gowns are deposited in the correct linen containers so that they can be cleaned and sent back to us.

N100 RESPIRATORS

- The N100 respirators both full face mask and half face mask will be deployed for use in the next week.
- The respirators will be picked up and signed out at the scrubs station and used during the employee's shift.
- At the end of the shift the N100 will be deposited into the correct barrels on their unit to be picked up by the respirator disinfection team and cleaned for reuse.
- Please make sure that all staff that provides direct patient care is fit tested as soon as possible through Occupational Health.

REUSABLE FACE SHIELDS

- If you are using a disposable face shield/surgical mask combination, those are a one use item and should be discarded after one time use.
- There are reusable face shields that have been made by community members for our use. These reusable face shields will be brought to each unit to be used by staff instead of goggles.
- If a face shield is being used by a staff member it should be wiped down after each use with OxivirTb, Caviwipes1, Sanicloths or Lysol wipes.
- At the end of the shift the face shield should be disinfected by cleaning the face shield front and back and the Velcro strap removed and saturated with a disinfectant and allowed to air dry overnight.
- The face shield can be put back together the next day after the Velcro strap has dried.

FOOD ON NURSING UNITS

- According to OSHA, food and/or drinks should not be eaten at the nurse's stations on any of the nursing units at any time, but especially during this time with the COVID virus present.
- Food and drink should be consumed in the break rooms and the door should be closed.

COVID-19 Daily Bulletin

MCH Process Updates

- Room Service Menu discontinued to ED Patients / **Effective 4.7**
- Scrubs & Masks picked-up in BWC 6a 4.7 / **Effective 4.7**
- Employee Entrance moved to BWC 6A 4.7 / **Effective 4.7**
- MAB entrance near Pediatrics closed on Sat & Sun/ **Effective 4.2**
- Transportation of COVID inpatient pathways labeled / **Effective 3.31**
- EAP access info added to HR, HUB / **Effective 3.30**
- News stations in-process for key areas / **Deployed by 4.2**
- N100 Mask Cleaning Depot created / **Effective 3.30**
- EVS 3rd-Party Support Resource ID'd / **Effective 3.27**
- Central Scrub Station Open / **Effective 5a, 3.27**
- Main Registration Area Closed / **Effective 5p 3.26**
- Non-Essential Staff Release / **Effective end of day 3.26**

A complete list of all items previously here can be found at the bottom right on this page.

Essential Communications

- Memo: Numerous Updates / **Emailed 4.13**
- N95 Size Equivalency Chart / **Emailed 4.10**
- Employee COVID Testing via MCH Services / **Emailed 4.8**
- Employee Housing Options / **Emailed 4.7**
- Universal Mask Policy for All / **Emailed 4.7**
- Facial Coverings Throughout MCH / **Emailed 4.7**
- Tyvex Suit Cleaning & Disinfection / **Emailed 4.3**
- Universal Mask Policy Revision / **Emailed 4.3**
- Universal Mask Policy Update / **Emailed 4.2**
- Scrub Recommendation for all staff / **Emailed 4.2**
- Interim Work Restrictions, Return to work Policy / **Emailed 3.31**
- Transportation of COVID inpatient pathways / **End of Day report 3.31**
- Food Delivery to patients timing reduced / **Emailed to impacted depts. 3.26**
- Tyvex Suit Cleaning link added to Clinical Resources below. **3.25.20**
- Universal Mask Policy For Patient Care Areas / **Emailed to All 3.24**

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