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DII Updates - Coronavirus



March 18, 2020 COVID 19 update

1. Harris Health/LBJ Related
 - a. Employee Access is the side bus stop entrance (separate from the patient/visitor atrium entrance) – See map attached.
 - b. LBJ Café will only seat 10 people or less at a time. You are encouraged to take meals to-go. The café will continue to offer more grab-and-go selections.
 - c. Patient/Visitor/Workforce Screening at all entrances
 - d. Temporary Telemedicine Privileges - If you are an active UT Medical Staff members of Harris Health's Medical Staff who is currently in good standing, you have been granted temporary telemedicine privileges within Harris Health System by Dr. Porsa, President & CEO of Harris Health.
2. IT related
 - a. Virtual Meeting Resources - WebEx is experiencing global demand issues this morning resulting in connection and audio issues. We are monitoring their support site as they work to resolve this issue. Microsoft's Skype for Business is an alternate method to hold virtual meetings. Information on how to use this tool is available online.
 - b. Increasing VPN Capacity - The Office of Information Technology is working diligently to increase virtual private networking (VPN) capacity. As part of that work, we will implement the additional capacity change on **Sunday, March 22, at 6 a.m.** This change is not expected to impact or disrupt any connected users. However, out of an abundance of caution, we are notifying the user community. The change is expected to take five minutes.
3. Outpatient Imaging (MHH) related
 - a. Currently:
 - i. Outpatient centers will remain open
 - ii. Some of the services offered at each center will be consolidated with other centers
 - iii. "Social distancing" will be provided by spacing patients on the schedule

- iv. Currently all modalities including MRI, CT, PET, nuclear medicine, ultrasound and x-rays will continue.
- b. Likely progression:
 - i. Gradual reduction in total number of centers
 - ii. Limiting patients to emergent and urgent scenarios
 - iii. Consolidating to campus sites eventually
- c. Faculty please work with scheduling team regarding questions about technology available at the outpatient site and facilitating imaging the best way we can.
- d. Bayshore - Only CT scanning will be performed on a scheduled basis. Ultrasound is currently suspended and x-rays will be performed on a limited walk-in basis.

<p>Since this situation is actively evolving, we are urging all individuals to actively view the following links to stay informed:</p> <p>https://www.uth.edu/news/covid19</p> <p>https://inside.uth.edu/</p> <p>https://www.utpconnect.com/</p> <p>http://publichealth.harriscountytexas.gov/Resources/2019-Novel-Coronavirus</p>	<p>If you are returning from travel, please call the following number:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students should call Student Health Services at 713-500-5171. • Employees should contact Employee Health Services at 713-500-3267
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