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## March 16, 2020 COVID 19 update

- 1. MHH-TMC will begin screening physicians and hospital employees for COVID-19 at several entrances beginning 4 AM Tuesday, March 17, 2020. Please arrive early, keep your distance from other people and behave courteously and professionally.
- 2. If coming to work at the hospital, leave for work a little early. There will be screening of everyone entering the hospital starting tomorrow.
- 3. Later this week, MHHS will begin to ramp down elective surgeries and possibly some resource-intensive imaging procedures, such as MRI under anesthesia. DII will form an ad hoc working group under Dr. West's leadership to plan, coordinate and oversee.
- 4. Remember to continue social distancing at work, as much as is possible. Wipe down surfaces frequently, spread out in reading rooms if you can, hold meetings virtually.
- 5. If any fellowship interviews are planned, consider conducting them through videoconference.

Since this situation is actively evolving, we are urging all individuals to actively view the following links to stay informed:

https://www.uth.edu/news/covid19

https://inside.uth.edu/

https://www.utpconnect.com/

http://publichealth.harriscountytx.gov/Resources/2019-Novel-Coronavirus

If you are **returning** from travel, please call the following number:

- Students should call <u>Student Health</u>
  <u>Services</u> at 713-500-5171.
- Employees should contact <u>Employee Health</u>
  <u>Services</u> at 713-500-3267

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