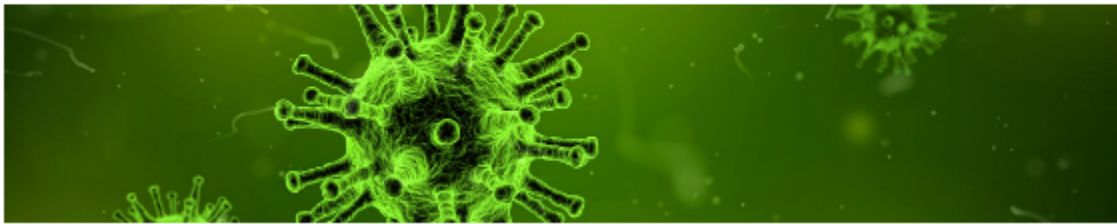


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COVID 19 update

COVID 19 Infection

Although there continue to be symptomatic patients being admitted through the ED every night, more rapid testing is decreasing the number of PUI in the hospital. The number of COVID19 positive patients in the hospital is stable to slightly decreased at the end of this week. There is substantial ICU and hospital bed capacity at our hospitals.

Dr. Eric Boerwinkle, Dean of the UT School of Public Health is analyzing the course of the disease in our area based on an AI model that uses data from China and Italy. The current results show a peak on April 24, with a predicted 62,000 cases in counties in and around the Houston area. However, a new set of analyses will be ready next week that will update this prediction.

The date when we will be able to resume elective imaging procedures is still not certain, but we are beginning to develop a plan for managing the expected surge of backlog procedures. We will engage all of the sections in this plan.

Have a wonderful holiday weekend, and be safe.

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/>

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

Students should call [Student Health Services](#) at 713-500-5171.

Employees should contact [Employee Health Services](#) at

<http://publichealth.harriscountytexas.gov/Resources/2019-Novel-Coronavirus>

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