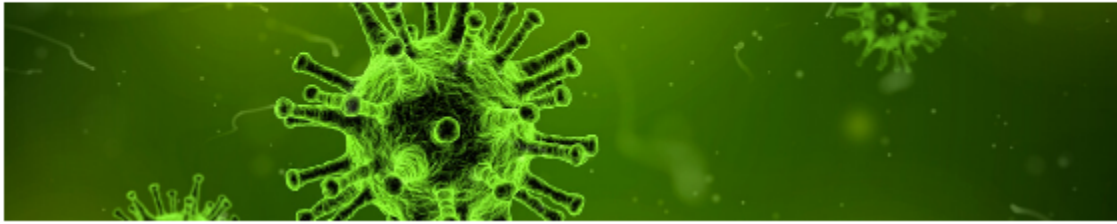


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COVID 19 update

Faculty, residents, fellows, and staff

Your health and safety are always our top priority. We understand the stress and anxiety that the pandemic has caused affects everyone in one way or another. UT has provided resources that may be helpful.

Mental Health Resources

- Dedicated phone line for mental health support 713-486-COV (2683) to provide access to psychiatric care to staff via telemedicine
- Online [virtual meditation sessions](#) three times a week (Monday, Wednesday, Thursday)
- Various online services such as fitness instruction, money management, and caregiver resources through [Employee Assistance Program](#).
- [MDLive](#) for virtual psychiatric and counseling services with no copay for non-emergent services.
- Care.com supplement for [existing benefits](#) for front-line UTHhealth employees

Helpful numbers

Staff: Employee Assistance Program, 713-500-3327, 24/7 for crisis calls (no cost for EAP visits/tele-counseling and in-person sessions available)

Faculty: Faculty Assistance Program, 713-500-3880, 24/7 for crisis calls (no cost for EAP visits/tele-counseling and in-person sessions available)

Residents and Fellows: 713-500-3327, 24/7 for crisis calls (no cost for EAP visits/tele-counseling and in-person sessions available)

Students: Student Counseling Program and Psychiatric services 713-500-5171 and 24-hour crisis line

As we start to move back toward working in the hospital and imaging centers, some of you may need assistance with child care until schools reopen. UT Health offers this service to their employees:

<http://uthealth.care.com>

The charge is nominal but many have used it very successfully.

Outpatient Centers - Effective Wednesday, April 22

MHHS OPID will begin a phased approach to restarting elective imaging services at some of the Outpatient Imaging Centers.

- Kirby and Plaza will be fully opened for regular hours (no extended hours at this time)
- Bellaire will be open half day

All COVID19 precautions will remain in place, and we will be very judicious about the type and number of exams that are scheduled in this phase in period. Patient screening will continue and patients will be sent for testing if screening suggests risk.

This change will require slight adjustments to our current on site staffing, but we will continue to have a significant number of faculty working from home. As exams and procedures increase, we will begin returning more residents to their rotations in the hospitals.

LBJ does not currently have a plan to reinstitute elective surgeries or procedures.

Communication

We will begin regular, weekly Town Hall meetings by WebEx each Monday afternoon, starting on April 20 at 1:00 PM. This will be an opportunity to answer questions that you might have and update you on the rapidly evolving policies and procedures. Invites will be sent to your calendars.

Of course, any time you have an urgent question or issue, I am always available on my phone, 409-789-8091.

Have a nice weekend and don't let down your guard. The virus is still out there!

<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> <p>Students should call Student Health Services at 713-500-5171.</p> <p>Employees should contact Employee Health Services at 713-500-3267 or 2683 (Option 1)</p>
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