COVID-19 Updates:

You are appreciated. And we will get through this.

The ED is a Hot Zone. Consider all patients possible PUIs and Protect yourself! (obviously)

And I know you are getting multiple messages on PPE

- Wear what makes you comfortable.
- The official message from H+H Central Office:
 - All staff working in the ED should wear an N95 mask and eye protection.
 - You can wear one N95 for 5 days under a surgical mask. Replace when <u>you</u> consider it soiled.

Residents:

- Senior residents are seeing our PUIs.
- Intubations should be performed by the attending or senior resident (Consider GlideScope and use what feels most comfortable).
- Junior residents are allowed to participate in resuscitations/ other procedures.

We are **no longer testing** treat and release patients!

- And FEMA is setting up testing in the tent out front.

McKinney nursing home has a COVID unit and is accepting their patients.

- Also look for their scanned documents, including contact physician in EPIC, under Media.

CPEP patients- Enter a psych consult into EPIC early. We expect these patients will be accepted to CPEP without labs/ full work up.

New URI patient flow.

- We are Cohorting URI/ iLi patients in Peds waiting room, before triage.
- Goal: Attending coverage from 9am- 10pm. Residents will be assigned.
- Patients will be sent directly to Peds waiting room/ PIT doctor.
- They should be discharged directly home if appropriate. Simple paper form is attached.
- Patients who will require further eval/ treatment will be sent to the Visual RN and triage RN.

Please increase your threshold for all testing/ labs/ radiology and admission.

- Sickish patients you want to send home: Stat SW/ CM consults and escalate directly to the command center if needed.
- Observation is coming back soon!

If you have to bag use the viral filter with an adaptor. We have them in the CCT pyxis. Have respiratory replace when they arrive.

Central Office has officially taken over all COVID results call-backs. (Except for admitted patients)

Break out of your silo. Be mindful of where you are most needed and who could use some help. (You are doing this already!)

Please do not talk to media/ anyone. You must get this cleared through Public Affairs:

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Use the **EPIC COVID-19 Navigator**

- Very quick documentation (basic URI note is pre-written).
- Discharge instructions too. (see below)

BioReference COVID order (admits).

- The requisition should printing automatically. It's not. This should be fixed soon.
- For now: go to 'Chart review,' to 'Labs,' highlight 'BioReference order' and Reprint Requisition— see screen shot below.





