

Hello!

In today's covid news:

**Overtime:**

Effective immediately (start date 3/23) the overtime rate for resident and pa shifts will be \$125 & \$150 (nights weekend). This will be reassessed in 2 weeks and will see if we need to bring down to our regular rates.

**Staffing:**

There is an extra swing senior every day at UHB so this should help.

We have had some gracious offers to come back to help during this time.

David Dennyhy, Samar Mehta, and Michael Griesinger will likely all be here in the next few weeks.

**Patient Relations/Social work rounds:**

These will happen twice a day. They will try to call families and ease anxiety.

**Scrubs:**

We have been having some set backs with scrubs at UHB. Several people have gotten error messages when the log in for the first time, and in several instances the machines have been empty of the proper size scrubs. We are working on both of these issues. In the mean time please come prepared to wear your own scrubs in case there are any issues. Please email Molly if you have an invalid pin.

**Cleaning wipes:**

There seems to be some issues with the saniwipes. We are trying to get some daily. We will have some every day we think but will not be leaving them out because they seem to disappear really quickly. We will take some out for each shift. They will be given out like PPE is given out.

**PPE!!!! Change:**

We are making some changes to make it easier for you to get your PPE.

In order to streamline distribution of PPE starting today there is a new process. The PPE for the department will be delivered in the morning (ideally at 6 am but we are still working on the details) and will be split into two portions. One portion (ours) will be placed in a locked cabinet in Clarence's hallway, off the ambulance ramp. The key to the lock will be held by our amazing PA team. The schedule will be hanging visibly in the cabinet. When you come in, check the schedule (so you know who you are looking for) and ask that PA to come to the ramp with the key. They will unlock the cabinet. You will sign a log with the

equipment you take: 1 mask (both sizes are there), 1 gown, shoe covers, 1 face shield. There are goggles if you prefer. There are a limited amount of hair covers and shoe covers. The PA will then lock the cabinet.