

Death Certificates:

please put covid related deaths for all those that you believe are covid. the city and state are seeing a lot of cardiac arrest and would like to account for covid being the cause if that is what we think it is.

Here is some basic information that can be shared. It is important to emphasize that **COVID-19** should be reported on the death certificate for all decedents where the disease caused or is **assumed** to have caused or contributed to death. Specification of the causal pathway leading to death in Part I of the certificate is also important. For example, in cases when COVID-19 causes pneumonia and fatal respiratory distress, both pneumonia and respiratory distress should be included along with COVID-19 in Part I. Certifiers should include as much detail as possible based on their knowledge of the case, medical records, laboratory testing, etc. If the decedent had other chronic conditions such as COPD or asthma that may have also contributed, these conditions can be reported in Part II.

PPE:

we are working every connection we have...looking up novel ideas....thinking of new ways to clean our n95's.

we will do everything we can to make sure that our staff is still getting adequate ppe.

if you have friends that want to donate ppe we are happy to take it .

if we need someone to purchase it then that is being handled by

Daniel.graves@downstate.edu. They are vetting every company and that is a rate limiting step.

Christina is working on 3d printing of these masks as well. If you are interested in helping her please email her to join this work group.

Drug Shortages:

We have lots of drug shortages. The big ones are norepinephrine, midazolam and fentanyl. I have added an attachment with information for drug alternatives from pharmacy that you may want to consider using.

Testing All Admissions:

please swab all admission

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I know many of you responded. Give me a few days to get back to you if i have not already

Covid orders set

There is a new order set to make ordering quicker

It includes the sars2 that will be run in house now so should be faster tat.

The labs have been expanded to help the medicine teams make medication decisions