

COVID-19 Daily Update

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Dear Colleagues:

In order to provide updates on the evolving response and best practices related to the COVID-19 pandemic, AHP will be delivering brief, critical updates on an ongoing basis addressing important highlights and frequently asked questions.

No COVID Call Tomorrow or Sunday

As we mentioned on today's call, **we will not be conducting a COVID response call tomorrow, Friday April 10th or Sunday April 12th.** We hope you all have a safe and restorative holiday weekend. We resume our normal call schedule on Monday April 13th with a call at 12:15 pm.

Newborn Nursery COVID-19 Update

UR Medicine and RRH Neonatologists and Newborn Hospitalists are recommending that newborns should NOT be discharged before 26 hours of life and ideally should remain in the hospital for 36-48 hours depending on the infant. For the full text of this update, including recommendations around breastfeeding and COVID+ mothers, click [here](#).

New Dates Added: Facilitating Difficult Conversations About COVID

New dates have been added to this webinar series hosted by UR Medicine behavioral health and palliative care experts. Click [here](#) for the full schedule and Zoom dial-in information.

Free Webinar: Coding Support, Documentation Training and Telehealth Education

Presented by NY Medical Group Management Association, this webinar will provide up-to-the-minute updates to coding and documentation as it relates to telemedicine and changes caused by the coronavirus pandemic. The webinar is scheduled for Thursday, April 16th at 12:30 pm. Click [here](#) to register.

Nicotine Dependence Treatment Program Accepting Patients

Early research indicates smoking or vaping can increase the risk of complications from COVID-19, so patients with renewed interest in quitting smoking can be referred to the Nicotine Dependence Treatment Program at the Center for Community Health for smoking cessation support delivered via telehealth. Patients can be directed to call (585) 602-0720 to get started.

No Changes: COVID Testing Guidance

We continue to advise that stable febrile patients with flu-like symptoms remain at home in self-quarantine following the isolation guidelines [here](#); do not test or refer for testing. See the new Covid Testing Flowchart developed by UR Medicine providers for a more detailed algorithm [here](#).

We continue to partner with Dr. Mendoza and County Health Department officials on preparedness and response protocols and will convey information as it becomes available.

Thank you for your continued collaboration in this important public health endeavor.

All the best,



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COVID-19 Resource Links

[Golisano Children's Hospital Coronavirus Information for Families](#)

Project Teach: Seven Ways to Support Kids and Teens Through the Coronavirus Pandemic, in [English](#) and [Spanish](#)

[American Academy of Pediatrics COVID-19 Site](#)

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