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Good evening team,

A few updates from the COVID Pandemic Task Force:

1. Here is a link to an excellent video explaining the differences between COVID-19 and Influenza. <https://youtu.be/FVIGhz3uwuQ> This video is also pinned to the top of our Facebook page. I would ask that everyone share this video with your friends and families, not only on social media but through email as well. It does a great job explaining why social distancing is so vital in slowing the spread of this disease.
2. Along with that message, please be mindful of what you are sharing on social media. If you think back to new hire orientation, we talk about how you are a representative of PMH, and what you share and post on social media will be seen, by some, as coming from the hospital. Please use proper etiquette and language when posting, and please, please only share posts that further the message of staying home. We have begun sharing messages that say "Be A Hero, Stay At Home, Save Lives." That needs to be the message, and deviation from that message spreads confusion and limits our effectiveness is helping "flatten the curve." If you have any questions about our messaging or something you would like to post/share, please reach out to me, and I can guide you as to what is appropriate or not.
3. Further updates on mask disinfection - Jason and George have installed a larger UV Light capable of disinfecting a greater number of masks at one time. They are currently testing the efficacy and will update the task force of these results. It takes roughly 1-hour to disinfect a mask under UV Light properly. The task force is working on a schedule so we can be efficient as possible in doing so.
4. We have discovered that if we drive COVID samples down to Eli Lilly, the results are reported back to us much quicker. To that, we are looking for people who would be willing to drive samples down to Indy. Those who drive will have mileage paid. Ideally, we are looking at individuals who might be on an alternating schedule, and who are working fewer hours because of COVID and would have the time to drive to Indy. If you are interested and available, please speak with your manager and email Jason Kletz, who is putting a list together. Depending on how many available staff members we have, we may develop a schedule so people would know when it would be there day/time to courier samples downstate.
5. Here are some care instructions for staff members returning home from work:
  - a. Remove your shoes before going into your house.
  - b. Take your cloths off and keep them separate from any other laundry.
  - c. Shower as soon as possible.
  - d. Staff may want to bring an extra set of scrubs/clothes with them to change into should a situation warrant it.
  - e. The hospital does have scrubs available, but they are in limited supply. We are looking into how often they are being laundered and if that time frame can be shortened.

Please let me, or another Task Force member know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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