# COVID-19 Newsletter

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#### The Power of Teamwork

What a night UMC, just as we started to celebrate the weekend, mother nature stopped by and knocked our lights out! To each and every staff member who worked between the evening of Thursday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> and this morning, Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, I want to say THANK YOU.

We know all too well that UMC's reputation is not reflective of the talent and dedication of our team. But last night, we made it clear once again, that we are truly dedicated to the health and well-being of individuals and the community entrusted in our care. Our ability to safely transfer patients from the ICU to the Emergency Room Department and then out of the hospital could not have been done without the collaboration between our clinical staff, administration, and DC Fire & EMS. Our ability to keep all our patients safe and comfortable was only possible due to the service of clinical staff and the Food and Nutrition Department. And of course, we would still be sitting in the dark if not for the combined efforts of our Facilities Department, DC Health, HSEMA, and Pepco. As you find a moment to rest and restore yourselves this weekend, please reflect on the night and think about lessons learned so we can continue to be prepared and be on point for future emergencies.

As I prepare for some much needed rest, I am reminded of a quote by Phil Jackson one the greatest NBA coaches of all time that says: "The strength of the team is each individual member. The strength of each member is the team." I do hope you choose to suit up and join us for another exciting week at UMC as we continue to show the city, the power of teamwork!

Colene Y. Daniel

Chief Executive Officer



#### NOT-FOR-PROFIT HOSPITAL CORPORATION

#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

All Staff

From:

Alysia Falby Nurse Director

Mina Yacoub

Chair, Critical Care Medicine

Raymond Tu

**CMO** 

Date:

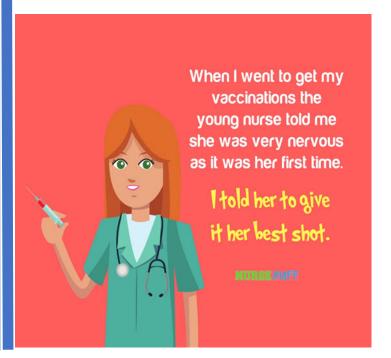
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Subject:

Resumption of Critical Care/Intensive Care Unit Services

Thank you to the entire team, particularly DC Fire and EMS for caring for our patients during the recent power emergency. As hospital elevator and electrical services have been fully restored, the ICU will resume normal operations.





Nurse came in and said Doc, there's a man in the waiting room who thinks he's invisible, what should i tell him?
The doctor said Tell him I can't see him today

# **STAY SAFE**

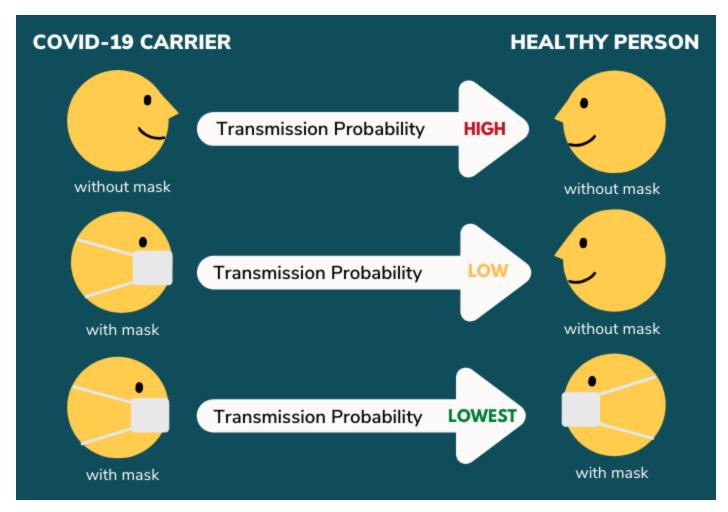
As the District of Columbia's only public hospital, we all have a heightened responsibility to prevent the spread of COVID-19 **whether on/or off duty**. Although the city continues to reopen we must continue to adhere to the safety and social distancing mandates in effect throughout the region.

# PROTECT YOURSELF. PROTECT OTHERS.

- ✓ Wear a mask.
- ✓ Keep 6 ft of distance from others.
- Choose your activities wisely.

# **ARE YOU WEARING A MASK NOW??**

~A reminder from the UMC Covid19 Task Force~





#### THANK YOU!!!!

We are so grateful to the District residents and local businesses who have poured out an overflow of support to UMC through donated meals and/or PPE. Please share expressions of gratitude to the businesses directly or send a note to Toya Carmichael, VP of Public Relations / Corporate Secretary @ <a href="mailto:Tcarmichael@united-medicalcenter.com">Tcarmichael@united-medicalcenter.com</a>. You may also follow UMC on Instagram @unitedmedicaldc.



# **Donated Meals**

<u>Ascend Greater Washington</u> / <u>Yunnan by Potomac</u>

**Sweet Green** 







#### YOU ARE APPRECIATED!

This week hospital leadership would like to thank Angela Titus for her exemplary service.

Angela Titus is an Administrative Assistant in the Medical Affairs Office. Almost immediately upon joining the UMC Team in March, Angela found ways to contribute to the overall well-being of hospital staff during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic by volunteering to assist the Public Relations Team with donated meal distribution. "Angela was extremely enthusiastic, stayed in regular communication with me, and always showed up on time for her volunteer shift," commented Toya Carmichael, the hospital's VP of Public Relations and Corporate Secretary. Not only has Angela volunteered to assist with donated meals but she has stayed true to her faith by offering assistance with securing volunteer chaplain services for the entire UMC community. Cheron Rust, the Medical Affairs Manager recommended Angela because she is a joy to work with and remains ready to lend a hand wherever she is needed.

UMC, let's welcome Angela to the team, when you're on the 1st floor stop by and say "hello" and "thank you for the support."



## Community Events/ Activities

The Mayor's Office On African American Affairs Presents

FINANCIALLY FIT DC: A WORKSHOP SERIES ON BLACK GENERATIONAL WEALTH BUILDING

Tax Preparation: Credits, Deductions, and Exemptions

Tuesday, June 16, 2020 • 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Family Financial Emergency Planning

Tuesday, July 21, 2020 • 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Leveraging Life Insurance to Build Generational Wealth

Tuesday, August 11, 2020 • 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Helping close the racial wealth gap and increase financial literacy in the African American community. Register now!











Join the Mayor's Office on African American Affairs (MOAAA), the Department of Insurance Securities & Banking (DISB), DC Public Library (DCPL), and the historic Industrial Bank at the Virtual Financially Fit DC: A Workshop Series on Black Generational Wealth Building. This is a three-part series designed to help close the racial wealth gap and increase financial literacy in the African American community. The series will highlight tools and resources focused on Family Financial Emergency Planning, Taxes, and Life Insurance to build generational wealth. This is a partnership with the Department of Insurance Securities & Banking (DISB), DC Public Library (DCPL), and Industrial Bank. Throughout the series, DCPL and DISB will provide books and online resources on wealth building that residents can access.

REGISTER HERE

#### Leveraging Life Insurance to Build Generational Wealth

<u>Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2020 | Time: 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm</u>

The Financially Fit DC Workshop Series on Insurance will explain the different types of insurance (e.g. whole life vs. term life vs. final expense), educate residents on how to borrow cash value from their life insurance policies, and when to get insurance for their family.

# HOPE FOR WARD 8 HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

Join Congress Heights CTDC and United Medical Center at our pop-up prevention and intervention services in your neighborhood. We are distributing personal protective equipment (PPE) - Gloves, Hand Sanitizer & Masks - for FREE.

Be sure to join us and learn more about social distancing and preventive health care in our community.



**Date:** Saturday, July 25, 2020 **Time:** 12:00 Noon— 3:00 PM

**Location:** MLK Deli – (Side Walk) 3113 Martin Luther King Jr Ave SE

Washington, DC 20032

"We are in this together. Hope for Ward 8!"











# **Community Resources**

The Hospital Board of Directors and Executive Leadership Team recognizes that you are more than an employee and that as much as you care for our patients, staff, and visitors, you must also care for your families at home.



Throughout history, the Bible has been known for stories of healing. With that in mind, Museum of the Bible is commemorating its reopening by thanking healthcare workers for their tireless efforts throughout the coronavirus pandemic. For a limited time, all healthcare workers who show their work ID will be admitted to the museum for free.

To take advantage of this offer, simply present your work ID at our ticketing counter and then enjoy your day. Learn more about how the Bible has inspired so many to advance healthcare throughout the world, and how it serves as a source of hope in difficult times.

Museum of the Bible reopened on June 22 under the DC government's phase two guidelines. We have implemented increased safety measures to provide all our guests the same high-tech, immersive experience in a safe environment. For more information on our new safety precautions, visit our website or contact our customer service team at (866) 430-MOTB (6682). Museumofthebible.org



For the latest information on the District Government's response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus), please visit <a href="mailto:coronavirus.dc.gov">coronavirus.dc.gov</a>.

Cases as of July 23, 2020

	Total Number Positives	Percent
All	11649	100
Race		
Unknown	176	2
American Indian/Alaska Native	27	<1
Asian	182	2
Black/African American	5750	49
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	30	<1
Other/Multi-Racial	3030	26
White	2367	20
Ethnicity		
Unknown	1512	13
Hispanic or Latinx	3136	26
NOT Hispanic or Latinx	6985	60

### UMC IN THE NEWS-July 10 - July 17, 2020

UMC Staff are reminded to direct **ALL MEDIA INQUIRIES** to Toya Carmichael, VP of Public Relations @Tcarmichael@united-medicalcenter.com.



Friday, July 24, 2020 - United Medical Center Hit by Power Outage; ICU Patients Moved, Andrea Swalec, NBC Washington Friday, July 24, 2020 - Update: Power Restored At United Medical Center After Heavy Overnight Storms Caused Outage, Collen Grablic, DCist