



UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
Newark, New Jersey

COVID-19

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4/28/2020

Confirmed COVID-19 Patients currently at UH

129

Patients Under Investigation currently at UH

20

COVID-19 Patients Discharged in April

344

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"I AM A NURSE, AND I BEAT COVID'S ASS"

Remy Layug, a nurse at University Hospital, was diagnosed with COVID-19 and with the help of her colleagues here at UH, she fought a tough battle with this virus and won. Yesterday she was discharged and sent off like the hero she is.

Video of her great big exit home can be found [here](#).



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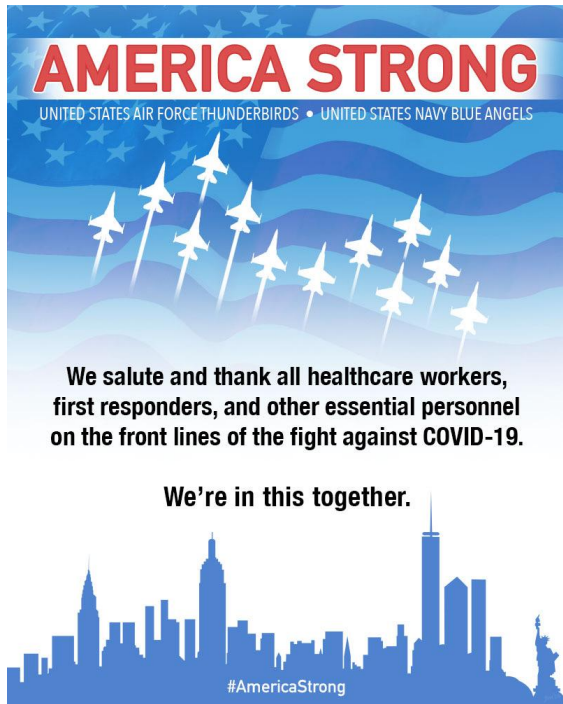
Thunderbirds & Blue Angels to Flyover Newark Today
in Honor of COVID-19 Responders

The U.S. Air Force Air Demonstration Squadron, the Thunderbirds, and the U.S. Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron,

the Blue Angels, will fly a formation of 6 F-16 C/D Fighting Falcon and 6 F-18C/D Hornet aircraft as a collaborative salute from the Air Force and Navy to recognize healthcare workers, first responders, military, and other essential personnel while standing in solidarity with all Americans during the COVID-19 pandemic.

This jet formation is expected to reach the skies over Newark at approximately a few minutes after noon time today.

University Hospital thanks all the members of our Armed Forces who have lent their support and skill to our team during this public health crisis.



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PPE Canteen Shift Change Closure

Starting Monday April 27th, the PPE Canteen in D230 will be closed for one hour during shift change periods. Please do the following:

1. Report to your unit by your scheduled start time to receive your shift assignment.
2. Only if your assignment requires use of an N95 mask, proceed to the Canteen to get one during operating hours.

If an N95 is urgently needed while the Canteen is closed, they will be available from the Command Center in D215.

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Secaucus FMS Discharge Destination in EPIC

Staff are reminded that discharges to the Secaucus FMS must be appropriately designated in EPIC. The appropriate Destination Select choice in EPIC is the Secaucus Field Medical Station (and not other Meadowlands facilities).

Destination:

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Free Child Care - Two Local Options Available

YMCA of Newark

FREE child care for children ages 5 to 12 years old, of essential workers.

For more information reach out to:

Nicole L. Washington

Director of Youth Development

YMCA of Newark and Vicinity

600 Broad Street

Newark, NJ 07102

Office: (973)624-8900 x6899

Cell: (862) 218-5386

Urban League of Essex County

Childcare for ages 18 months to 5 years old

Contact: Heather Wilson, Director of Early Childhood

Hwilson@ulec.org

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Labor Pool Reminder & Volunteer Request

During this extraordinary public health emergency we are asking our staff to work in extraordinary ways to help deliver the response this crisis demands. As a result, we are seeking Labor Pool volunteers for **all shifts**. If you are willing to volunteer for Labor Pool Assignments to help University Hospital in its COVID-19 response efforts, please speak with your manager immediately. We anticipate moving to mandatory assignments in the Labor Pool in the near future.

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Staff with Suspected COVID-19

- Management and staff are reminded that employees who are suffering from COVID-19 suspected symptoms, are not examined, tested, or treated by Employee Health.
- Instead, those staff should be directed to contact their PCP. For staff without a PCP, the UH Emergency Department and Ambulatory Medicine Clinic are open to the public and available to staff as well.
- Before visiting the Ambulatory Medicine Clinic, staff should first call the ACC Triage Nurse Line at (973)714-0005.
- Staff with confirmed or suspected COVID-19, should still call Employee Health at x2-3066 to report their symptoms.

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University Hospital Employee Accommodations

- NJ DOH has arranged free hotel accommodations at Marriott Courtyard in Secaucus for any hospital employee with a confirmed

positive COVID-19 diagnosis.

- Three meals per day are included.
- Room availability is determined by Marriott, and may change daily.
- If interested, please call the Command Center @ 2-5800

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Seeking Volunteers for Breakfast & Dinner Distributions

- Volunteers are needed! We are seeking additional support for the distribution of dinner and breakfast meals to staff.
- Help is needed between 5:30-7 a.m., and between 6-8:30 p.m. Even just a few hours can make a big impact.
- To volunteer, please contact community@uhnj.org.

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Important Reminders

Office Cleaning: EVS has suspended cleaning of individual offices. Garbage bins that need to be emptied should be left outside of offices.

Dress Code: Staff should dress in business casual clothing that can be washed at home, and that is neat and appropriate to the workplace.

Virtual Chapel: The UH Chapel has made available various virtual experiences. The schedule is available [here](#).

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Resources & Contact Numbers

NJ COVID-19 INFORMATION HUB: <https://covid19.nj.gov/>

NJ 24/7 COVID-19 HOTLINE: Call 2-1-1 or (800)962-1253, or text NJCOVID to 898-211.

SYMPTOMATIC UH & NJMS STAFF SEEKING COVID-19 TESTING: Call (973)714-0005.

UH STAFF WITH CONFIRMED OR SUSPECTED COVID-19: Call Employee Health at x2-3066.

PEER 2 PEER SUPPORT: Monday - Friday @ 3PM. Details [here](#).

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES: Contact NJMS Psychiatry's telephone support service for staff at Stress.Anxiety@njms.rutgers.edu.

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