

Daily Overview (May 8, 2020)

Our inpatient and outpatient imaging volumes are increasing as clinical operations ramp up. This is occurring within the constraints of safe social distancing, adequate room cleaning time, and with appropriate PPE and cleaning supplies.

Safety:

- Cloth masks for staff, faculty, and trainees are available for pickup across clinical sites.
- COVID-19 antibody testing is available to EHC employees, providers, and house staff; it is still unknown whether presence of antibodies to COVID-19 confers immunity to reinfection.
- For EHC sites wearing a mask is expected for faculty/staff/trainees.
- For Grady wearing of a mask is mandatory for faculty/staff/trainees.
- Patients are being asked to bring their own masks during the pre-visit instructions/symptom screening call.

Methods:

- Workflows around patient and visitor temperature screening are in development for EHC.
- Emory Healthcare is developing a plan for universal SARS-Cov-2 testing of all admitted patients
- Grady Healthcare is developing a plan for universal SARS-Cov-2 testing prior to all invasive procedures

Equipment:

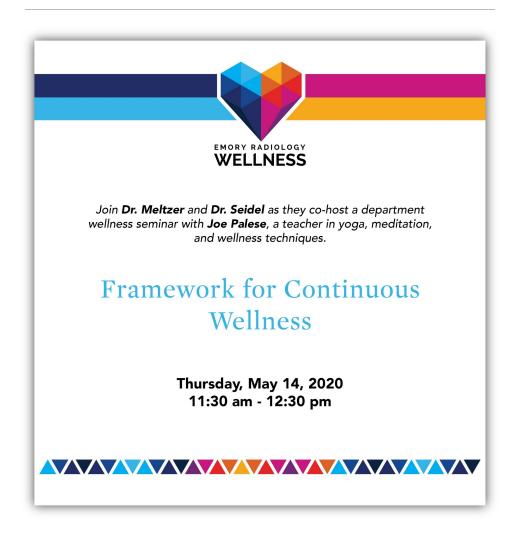
No updates or new issues.

Supplies:

- Supply levels, including PPE, are holding steady at sufficient levels.
- Increasing patient volumes for imaging and other clinical visits have the potential to stress supplies and are being closely monitored.
- Alternative cleaning solutions are being implemented in some facilities as Sanicloth wipes continue to be in restricted supply.

Staffing:

- A dashboard of patient and imaging volume metrics demonstrates increasing hospital and ED patient census and increasing imaging volumes.
- Resident physicians will begin to have an increased presence on all clinical services in conjunction with increasing patient visits.
- We are receiving increasing requests for image-guided procedures as surgical services ramp up.
- Upcoming staffing models will consider work from home options, staggering shifts, reassignment of and/or redistributions of work tasks, social distancing in work spaces, and PPE use.



Zoom Link: https://us04web.zoom.us/j/970349964

The Department of Radiology and Imaging Sciences is closely monitoring the COVID-19 outbreak; and has developed a website to provide additional information and resources to the department's faculty, trainees, and staff.

Also, you can view all recorded town halls.





