

Lowell General Hospital

Reactivation and Reimagination Preparing Nursing Leadership for Post-COVID Decisions

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How do we prepare our Leaders for Post-COVID Decisions?

- Obstetric, Pediatric/Neonatal & Anesthesia Medical Leaders
- MCH Nurse Leaders incl. L&D, Maternity, NICU/SCN, Pediatrics
- ED, Security & EMS Services
- Office Practice Re-openings w/Provider Office Managers
- Parents/SO/Medical Team Shared Decision Making
- Telehealth, Zoom, Interpreter
 Services
- DCF, City Health Depts., Health Centers, Police & Firefighters



Reactivation Considerations

Healthcare Financial Recovery - post-pandemic \$\$\$

- Governor Baker as MA re-opens...
- Reactivation of Services
- Will we need the same services or will there be a catastrophic cuts for expense reduction purposes?



- Furloughed Staff reduce FTE's or back to business as usual?
- Healthcare NEEDS to remain in a constant state of readiness?

- Other pieces to the puzzle -

- Care Teams concept or remain intact?
- Universal COVID Testing at its best! How long will the tests last? Then what?
- PPE hospitals & provider office practice
 needs pressure on organizations and state to provide.
- Visitors Policies do we reopen or continue to limit?
- Will there be a second round of COVID, and what will it look like?
- Identify inefficient use of resources part of inpatient care testing, LOS, consultations

Clinical concerns? Anyone?

- Who all is seeing an increase in severe pre-eclampsia –
 in COVID negative pts regardless of
 race or ethnicity? Some orgs are collecting
 - samples saliva, blood, placenta's, urine.
- Increase in PP Hemorrhages?
- Pediatric Multi-system Inflammatory Syndrome?
- What about an increase in newborn readmissions with fevers and/or dehydration d/t early discharges?
- Offering telehealth only for those BF mothers, and/or telehealth Pediatric Provider visits?

Resilience is Contagious

Top 10 Most Contagious Leader behaviors:

- 1. Energy and enthusiasm.
- 2. Continuous improvement and a desire to exceed expected results.
- 3. Desire to take on challenging goals.
- 4. Willing to go above and beyond.
- 5. Inspiring others to high levels of effort.
- 6. Willing to challenge standard approaches.
- 7. Asks for feedback from others.
- 8. Makes an effort to improve based on feedback.
- 9. Being a role model.
- 10. Quickly recognize where change is needed



Re-Imagination

- Unbelievable collegial connections internally and externally – how do we use this moving forward?
- Using data to drive clinical decisions always!
- What methods of communication have we used?
 - Ring Doorbells, Telemedicine, Zoom
- What worked?
- How do we "better" communicate?
 - Zoom
 - Telemedicine the good, the bad and the ugly?



Thank you!

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