

Non-Minutes of the Halted Weekly Provider Luncheon Meeting
Non-Held: Friday, September 25th, 2020
(Per COVID-19 group gatherings restriction)

Note: While we have NOT been gathering for Monday meetings and therefore getting information out only as-needed, there is a sense of non-connection. To resolve that, Monday meeting 'non-minutes' will go out weekly with whatever items there are to communicate.

1. **Rapid COVID Testing Supply** - Thanks for being patient as we work on the testing volumes that we can do each day at each site. Currently, we have available 110 rapids per day, but are working to significantly increase this. Please encourage patients to use both Westside and Syracuse sites if that is convenient for them, as the Layton site is running at capacity.
2. **Bundled Testing is Available at All Three Sites** - In addition to the med module order for COVID, please put an order in the med module to obtain an extra swab for flu, or strep, or RSV as clinically appropriate. Please be proactive in reaching out for the results in the HER as the staff may or may not have time to track down providers with results.
3. **Standing Orders for LTCF Employees** - To comply with CMS guidelines, employees working in long term care facilities need twice a week COVID screening. Home health and hospice employees also need this testing and are being directed to Tanner Clinic telehealth for these purposes. If you have a patient who is one of these types of employees and needs standing orders for twice a week COVID screening tests, please use the med module for a standing order "COVID screening twice weekly for LTCF." All screenings should be **send out** (currently 1-2 day turnaround) tests unless the patient presents as symptomatic, in which case a rapid should be ordered.
4. **COVID Vaccine Information from Dr. Candice Smith** – Attached is a presentation Candice recently regarding specifics and timing of a COVID vaccine. Also of interest may be this link to a U of U Grand Rounds on the subject. https://medicine.utah.edu/internalmedicine/grand-rounds/video.php?video=1_b8rty4o3
5. **Provider NPI Number on Prescriptions** – An NPI number on a prescription is important to pharmacies to help assure the identity of which physician is submitting the prescription and the legitimacy of the script. When either is in question and the NPI number is absent, pharmacies call to confirm. The NPI is always included in e-prescriptions (Sure Scripts), which is a vast majority of how we prescribe, and is always printed on script pads (less and less used) and will now also constantly appear on paper-printed and faxed prescriptions, which has heretofore not always been consistent. An NPI is a publically searchable number.
6. **Tanner Clinic Polos** – With the updating of the logo, we have quite a few extra polos with the old logo embroidered on them - sizes range from L to 2XL. The are the grey and maroon OGIO and Nike Brand. We are offering them first to providers. If you would like one of these OGIO polos, please call Ann or Brandi, or come on down to Administration to take a look. First come, first served.
7. **Scam Telephone Calls** – We are experiencing scam calls looking for patient info. It goes without saying, but please verify who you are speaking with, especially if it was a call-in, before sharing patient info.