Hi All

This COVID stuff is only growing here in Michigan. I have a really important message for you all today. At the end of this email is a note sent out by Stan Kent, Chief Pharmacy Officer at Michigan Medicine. The hospital and our pharmacy department is bracing for an onslaught of patients in the next few weeks. Please read his email, and importantly we should be trying to figure out what we can do to help in this unprecedented time. This mobilization might turn into new kinds of IPPEs or APPEs... we are working on divining how it might work. In the mean time:

**Important:**

**P1s, P2s, P3s, P4s:** Many of you contacted me to see if you could work at the hospital to help, and the hospital did not have a way to expedite your application through their HR dept. This looks to have changed. If you want to be considered for a position at the hospital, please fill out this form and I will get the info to the pharmacy dept. I have no idea what your role will be there, but they do want to know what kind of pharmacy experience you have. Also, a reminder that you cannot be paid for doing IPPE hours. but you can do IPPE hours at the hospital and get paid for different hours in this time of need. Please complete this form if you want in: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/12e6zPn67yan3WmW6TB-HAAD8-HSFjgcmAh8-ODXYa8U/edit?ts=5e833738](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/12e6zPn67yan3WmW6TB-HAAD8-HSFjgcmAh8-ODXYa8U/edit?ts=5e833738)

All students:

APhA is offering a financial Considerations of COVID webinar tonight. It is led by Tim Baker from Your Financial Pharmacist (we used some of his material in our Personal Phinance Course. You must pre-register and I think you have to be a APhA member (or student member?)

[http://messaging.aphanet.org/c/11won0PjhzHoI22QRyHAfHR1eUPi](http://messaging.aphanet.org/c/11won0PjhzHoI22QRyHAfHR1eUPi) is the link to register.

*Financial Considerations & COVID-19 - TONIGHT, March 31st at 9pm ET!*

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From: Kent, Stan
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:45 PM
To: PHARM-All
Subject: Daily Dose of COVID-19 News for Pharmacy - Sunday March 30, 2020
Team -

It is becoming inevitable that we will have to establish pharmacy services at an off-site location for 500-1,000 beds. The off-site location hasn’t yet been confirmed. Regardless of where it is, this will be a significant challenge. Off the top of my head here is what it likely means for us:

- There is an extraordinary list of tasks to complete in a short time. A team will be assigned to work on defining the tasks and work to be done as soon as I have more specific information.
- We will need all hands on deck when the time comes – including all managers (including me), pharmacists, technicians, residents, student techs and intern employees (whatever they work outside of classes). The only way we can do this is to have more staffing. This means finding additional staff and existing staff working more hours.
- It is likely everyone will need to work some sort of 12 hour shift rotation. But I don’t this for sure yet – we have a lot to work out. At this point it’s just one thing that comes to mind.
- If any of you know anyone that has worked as a pharmacy technician or pharmacist and is willing to help us out have them contact me, John or Anna Leroy. We can even hire people that have an out-of-state license during this emergency.
- Services will have to revert to the very basics of order review, dispensing and whatever basic clinical services can be provided.
- Almost all meetings not directly related to Covid will likely need to be canceled.
- Almost all work not directly related to direct patient care or Covid will need to stop and be re-directed to providing patient care.
- This will have a significant impact on everyone in different ways. When the dust settles we will sort through the issues and address concerns as best we can. But probably in the next week or so things will change significantly.
- As it becomes more clear what types of patients will be at these/off-site location I will communicate that.

I don’t want to sound alarmist – but I kind of need to set off alarms. I want to give you as much of a heads-up as possible. As soon as I have more details I will let you know – probably tomorrow.

We are going to need everyone’s determination, flexibility, grit, blood, sweat and tears for a couple of months. I know we can get through this – stay tuned.

Best,

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