

Date: Wednesday, April 01, 2020

To: MSA Members

From: MSA Exec Committee

Subject: MSA Minute

Dear MSA member,

We hope that this letter finds you safe and well. Evidence mounts that the work being done to fight COVID is working. Thank you for all you do and our best wishes for the safety of you and your families.

You should be receiving daily HHS updates. You will also have received an email from Dr. Michael Stacey's office outlining the task force committees working at a high level to secure supply chain, redeploy our workforce (including physicians), as well as planning for the future, in terms of a framework of how to ethically work in a potentially resource poor health system.

The physician redeployment workforce committee is planning for the re-allocation of our workforce based on our skill set (levels 1, 2 or 3) in case the need arises. Most of this information is conveyed to your chiefs and they are collating the workforces in their departments in order to generate a playbook for redeployment. The MSA has representation on this committee.

The HHS website (HHS Hub), in addition to daily updates, has all the latest information on the clinical aspects of COVID19 and guidelines.

I am also including links for those of you who have not yet seen it, the most recent virtual Medicine Grand Rounds (March 26) given by Dr. Zain Chagla, a St. Joseph's ID physician, with a comprehensive update including the current literature.

I have also attached the link from Dr. Dominik Mertz's HHS Medical Grand Rounds from March 12, 2020 update on the coronavirus.

Dr. Chagla https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvF2UX6pA0Yr8IEgA1O5AKQ/videos

Dr. Mertz - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fco8mFW8oV0

As always, the MSA remains here for any and all questions that you may have that are not answered in these areas.

Should you have any questions or concerns please email msa@hhsc.ca

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