JHH UPDATE #9: COVID-19 SITUATION 7.4.2020

Dear Staff,

Current Situation

As of today (7th April 2020), JHH has 10 confirmed admitted patients with COVID-19.

JHH is committed to fulfilling its obligations to provide staff with the appropriate PPE. It is important that staff be mindful that this equipment should be used only when appropriate to ensure that we have this critical equipment where and when it is needed.

As you would be aware, JHH has moved to centralized storage and monitoring of these items to provide greater oversight of usage to maintain adequate stock levels.

Communication:

Thank you to all the staff who continue to engage and participate in the staff information webinars. A copy of todays broadcast can be found in the Gardiner Library by accessing this <u>link</u>

Staff advice hotline

HNELHD has implemented a dedicated hotline for staff with questions about COVID-19 commencing today. The service will be available between 8am – 4.30pm, Monday to Friday, on 1800 512 361.

Dedicated experts will be able to answer your COVID-19 queries about your personal health and wellbeing, screening processes, out-of-work supports, and concerns you have around protecting your family.

Please see the <u>fact sheet</u> for more information on this new service.

As always, our Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is also available to staff, providing free confidential and professional counselling services. EAP is available to all employees, including volunteers and students on work experience. Visit the EAP page on our intranet for more information.

Mindfulness sessions for staff

Together with General Practitioner, Dr Jennie Broughton, JHH will be hosting 30 minute mindfulness sessions for all staff across the District. Sessions will be held every week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12.30pm, and 1.15pm.

Sessions are available via Zoom, so staff can join anywhere, anytime. To access these sessions, visit the <u>Zoom website</u>, and use the meeting ID: 887 029 400 and Password: 965690.





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As of 7.4.2020, 2508 staff across the hospital have received their 2020 flu vaccination.

Drop in and roving clinics continue this week.

Please be assured there is enough vaccine and all areas will be visited several times over the campaign.



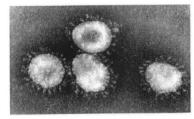
Fulltime Equivalent staff across all JHH services

To John Hunter Hospital,

Thank you to all the Nurses, Doctors, Chefs, Baristas & Sanitary workers! For looking after the people in Newcastle who may be battling the COVID-19 Coronavirus and protecting all of us from getting the deadly virus!

We know it is a sacrifice to your health and your Family, so we wanted to say we appreciate everything you do!

From Madden & Pippa P.S Keep up the hard work.



Leanne Johnson General Manager Incident Controller



