

ProgressNotes

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Medical Executive Committee Approvals

Items approved at the last Medical Executive Committee meeting can be viewed by using this website link and selecting the particular month: http://www.torrancememorial.org/For_Physicians/Medical_Staff/MEC_Approval.aspx .

If you have any questions, please contact the Medical Staff Services Department at (310) 517-4616.

Clinical Informatics

Physician Handoff Tool

Hello all,

As your Executive Director of Medical Informatics, I am your physician liaison to all things Cerner Millennium. With an experienced team of informaticists and service specialists supporting me, we are available to assist you with questions or ideas regarding use of the electronic medical record across both the acute and ambulatory locations of the Torrance Memorial Health System.

I would like to share with you a feature we have been piloting for the past several months. Physician Handoff is a tracking board for PowerChart, customizable to create your own patient lists by location or specific to you. It is a simple, one page tool to keep all your information in one place, eliminating the need to repeatedly open and close charts, thereby increasing your efficiency. It updates in real time and is used to share information with other team members. Originally designed for hospitalists, we have expanded its use to our Critical Care physicians to track ICU patients in different areas. We have found an excellent use for the tool with our Bioethics Critical Care Triage Team, as they use it with both physicians and nursing managers to track Covid patients. You will see SOFA scores and soon it will be tracking code status with easy to visualize icons.

Uses your patient lists

IL...	L...	Patient Information	Documentation	Diagnoses	Actions	I...	Resuscitat...	Ventilator	Discharge
S.	312... 3E1CU		✓ Infectious D... 1 ✓ History and Ph... ✓ Infectious D... 1	2 - Suspected SARS 4 1 - Acute respiratory fa... 2 - Probable SARS 2	Repeat CXR in the am	Isol...		Adult Vent...	
W.	314... 3E1CU		✓ Critical Care Co... ✓ Infectious D... 1	1 - Acute respiratory fa... 2 - Confirmed COVID-1...		Isol...		Adult Vent...	
S.	313... 3E1CU		✓ Critical Care Co... ✓ Infectious D... 1	1 - Acute hypoxemic re... 2 - Acute kidney inj... 3		Isol...			
U.	314... 3E1CU		✓ Nephrology Co... ✓ History and... 3	1 - Acute respiratory fa... 2 - SARS-associated... 5		Isol...		Adult Vent...	
W.	314... 3E1CU		✓ Critical Care Co... ✓ Infectious D... 1	1 - Hypoxia 2 - Multifocal pneumoni...		Isol...			
D.	313... 3E1CU		✓ Infectious Dise... ✓ History and Ph...	1 - Viral pneumonia, lik... 2 - Hypoxia		Isol...			Order... NOV 04, 2020...
W.	313... 3E1CU		✓ Nephrology Co...	1 - Acute hypoxemic re...		Isol...		Adult Vent...	

You have the ability to customize the size of each column to fit your desired view

Isolation

Ventilator

Actions area: the ability to write comments/leave notes

Resuscitation

Discharge

Here is a video link for more detailed information:

https://templearn.cerner.com/content/home/learning_journey/model/2019/20190610181147_S2_OrganizingYourDayintheHospital/S2_OrganizingYourDayintheHospital.mp4

We look forward to the inpatient physician using Physician Handoff as another tool to increase efficiency, decrease charting time, and improve patient safety. If you would like additional information on this tool or any other part of Cerner Millennium, please contact me at ginal.sulmeyer@tmmc.com. As always, here to help!

1/26/21

VERY IMPORTANT UPDATE

NEW PHYSICIAN ORDER **“DISCONTINUE COVID-19 ISOLATION PRECAUTIONS”**

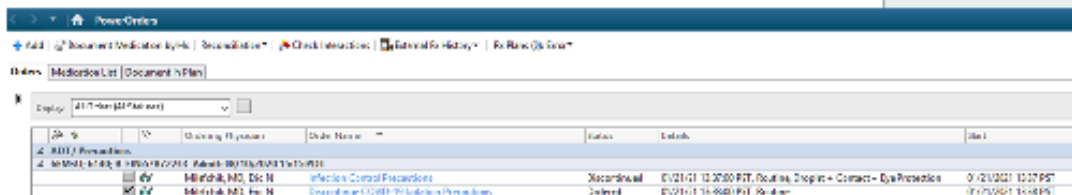
Infectious Disease physicians will make determination if a patient can be safely removed from isolation and out of a COVID unit. **ONLY** Infectious Disease physicians can enter the following order in PowerOrders when discontinuing COVID-19 Isolation Precautions.

“Discontinue COVID-19 Isolation”

Who: All Staff, Physicians

What: New Physician Order

When: Tuesday, 1/26/21



The screenshot shows the PowerOrders interface for a patient. The patient's name is partially visible as 'M...'. The table lists several orders:

Order ID	Order Type	Physician	Order Name	Status	Details	Date
444	Discontinue Isolation	M... MD, DC N	Infection Control Precautions	Recorded	01/21/21 11:20:00 PPT, Routine, Droplet + Contact + Eye Protection	01/21/2021 11:27 PST
445	Discontinue Isolation	M... MD, DC N	Discontinue COVID-19 Isolation Precautions	Selected	01/21/21 11:00:00 PPT, Routine	01/21/2021 11:48 PST

- Order will trigger removal of both Infection Control Isolation Precautions in the banner bar and TEAL ICON on Teletracking.
- Contact+Droplet+Eye Protection Isolation Precautions will be discontinued & patient can be moved off COVID unit if bed available.
- Those COVID-19 patients in a two-bed room, continue isolation precautions until NON-COVID bed available (patients can be moved to any NON-COVID bed, including IR Holding, GI Lab, and Short Stay).

FOR QUESTIONS CONTACT:

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Behavioral Health Webinar



Building Resilience and Hope in Difficult Times

With the pandemic increasing already existing high rates of physician stress and burnout, you are invited to attend a webinar on “Building Resilience and Hope in Difficult Times.”

Please join Dr. Fred Dennis, Medical Director of TMIPA and Dr. Moe Gelbart, Director of Behavioral Health at Torrance Memorial as they provide practical Information on burnout, resilience, and hope.

Learn skills related to stress reduction, changing negative thinking, developing gratitude, and making optimal life choices.

Seminar is open to Medical Staff and will take place: **Wednesday, February 10 at 12:30pm.**

Zoom link: <https://tmmc.zoom.us/j/94696821857>

Meeting ID: [946 9682 1857](#)

Call in: [1-669-900-6833](#)

Hope to see you there.

POLAK Breast Diagnostic Center



Polak Breast
Diagnostic Center

High-Risk Statistics for Black/African American Women



Breast cancer is a disease that affects all ethnic and socioeconomic groups, yet it does not affect these populations equally.

Although the breast cancer death rate in the U.S. has decreased by 43 percent for white women since 1980, it has dropped by only 23 percent for Black/African American women.

- The incidence of breast cancer among Black/African American women has been rising steadily in the U.S. and, in 2012, reached the same level as in white women.
- Black/African American women are 42 percent more likely to die from breast cancer than are non-Hispanic white women.
- The risk of being diagnosed with aggressive "triple-negative" breast cancer is twice as high for Black/African American women as for non-Hispanic white women.
- Black/African American women are less likely than non-Hispanic white women to be diagnosed with stage I breast cancer but twice as likely to die of these early breast cancers.

- Black/African American women have a higher risk of BRCA1 and BRCA2 genetic mutations than women of Western European ancestry. These carriers are at much higher risk for breast cancer.

Due to the above facts about Black/African American women, we recommend that Black/African American women be evaluated for their individual breast cancer risk by their referring physician no later than the age of 30. Annual screening mammograms are normally recommended starting at the age of 40. Those identified as high risk may need a screening mammogram, supplemental ultrasound or MRI before the age of 40.



Schedule your annual mammogram today!
310-517-4709



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COVID-19 Vaccine Medical Staff Survey

We understand some employees and physicians will decline the COVID-19 vaccine. Employees and physicians who do NOT want to receive the vaccination shot, please complete the survey below. Those who declined the vaccine at a Torrance Memorial clinic because they received it elsewhere, should also complete the survey.

Your participation in the survey is not binding. If you change your mind you are eligible to get vaccinated at any available clinic.

This survey is not intended for those that are simply waiting for future clinics.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LYQDH9B>

As more vaccine becomes available Torrance Memorial will open more 1st dose vaccine clinics. Please visit [TorranceMemorial.org/VAX](https://www.torrancememorial.org/VAX) for available clinic dates.

Medical Staff Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 12:30p Cardiology	2 12:00p Bioethics CCTT 12:30p Infection Prevention/P&T	3 7:00a CV Review Conference 12:30p CME Conference 12:30p Donor & Transfusion	4 7:00a Breast Tumor Board. 7:45a Gen Tumor Board.	5 7:00a Lung Tumor Board 7:00a Surgery Dept 7:30a IRB 8:30a Gastroenterology
8 12:30p Credentials	9 12:00p Bioethics CCTT 6:00p Medical Executive	10 7:00a Anesthesia PI 7:00a CV Review Conference	11 7:00a Breast Tumor Board. 7:45a GI Tumor Board 12:30p Stroke Committee	12 7:00a Lung Tumor Board
15 12:00p Burn & Wound Surg 12:00p Integrative Medicine	16 12:00p Bioethics CCTT 12:00p Radiology Department 12:30p EDIE Pt Care Committee	17 7:00a CV Review Conference 12:30p CME Conference 3:00p Medication Safety	18 7:00a Breast Tumor Board. 7:45a CNS Tumor Board 9:00a Emergency Department 12:30p Pediatric Department 1:00p C-Section Committee	19 7:00a Lung Tumor Board
22 4:00p Bariatric Surgery	23 12:00p Bioethics CCTT 12:30p OB/GYN Department	24 7:00a Breast Committee 7:00a CV Review Conference	25 7:00a Breast Tumor Board. 7:45a GI Tumor Board 12:30p Credentials	26 7:00a Lung Tumor Board

CME CONFERENCES

Wednesdays, 12:30 p.m.

Hoffman Health Conference Center



Torrance Memorial Medical Center is accredited by the Institute for Medical Quality/California Medical Association (IMQ/CMA) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Torrance Memorial Medical Center designates this live activity for a maximum of 1 *AMA PRA Category I Credit™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

This credit may also be applied to the CMA Certification in Continuing Medical Education.

For up-to-the-minute conference information call (310) 784-8776 or visit: http://www.torrancememorial.org/For_Physicians/Wednesday_CME_Conferences.aspx

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

“Social Determinants in Health”
Dora Hughes, M.D., MPH

The George Washington University
Commercial Support: None

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

NO CONFERENCE

Wednesday, February 17, 2021

“Wellness with Diabetes Integrative Perspective”

Nicole Alexander-Spencer, M.D.
Torrance Memorial Medical Center
Commercial Support: None

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

NO CONFERENCE

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

“Update on Opioid Crisis and Alternatives”

Greg Polston, M.D.
UCSD School of Medicine
Commercial Support: None

Wednesday, March 10, 2021

NO CONFERENCE

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

“When Your Patient is a Substance Abuser: Currently or Historically”

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Commercial Support: None

Wednesday, March 24 & 31, 2021

NO CONFERENCE

Welcome New Practitioners



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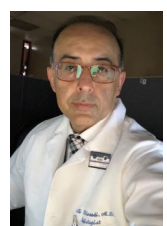
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