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Dear Baptist Health Family,

Across the system, we are seeing more people coming in for reasons not related to COVID-19, which is a good sign that our community is not delaying care as much as before. Unfortunately, we have also seen the number of our COVID-related hospital admissions rise over the past week. While we have been through this before and know what to do, it has been a long road and we had hoped to see those numbers continue trending downward. Our frontline workers and those in roles supporting our direct patient caregivers have been doing incredible work throughout this pandemic, and we are so grateful for your work day in and day out. We will continue to get through any new challenges by supporting each other and working together.

#### This Week's Numbers at a Glance

- Currently, there are 267 individuals throughout our facilities who are COVID-19 positive
  or suspected to be positive, which is an increase of approximately 33% from two weeks
  ago.
- We have discharged more than **14,000** patients who were treated for COVID-19.
- At Baptist Health, we have vaccinated a total of more than 41,300 people including
  eligible employees, medical staff and eligible members of our community, with more
  than 38,100 of those having received the second dose of the vaccine.

# **Vaccine Update**

This week, the CDC and FDA recommended a pause in the use of Johnson & Johnson's Janssen COVID-19 vaccine out of an abundance of caution. To learn more about this and to stay up to date with the latest developments, visit <a href="CDC.gov">CDC.gov</a>.

It is important to know the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines use a different method, and are not affected by this pause. We continue to encourage vaccination among employees and community members alike, and we have the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines available depending on supply. We encourage everyone who is eligible to get vaccinated to do so as soon as possible. During this public health emergency, getting vaccinated is our best protection against this virus.

All employees are eligible to receive the vaccine according to the state's guidelines. If you would like to be vaccinated, please submit your request using <u>THIS FORM</u>. If you have questions about your appointment, please call 1-833-mybaptist.

We are currently providing the vaccines for individuals age 16 and older. Family members of employees and medical staff members, along with anyone in the local community may make an appointment to receive the vaccine with Baptist Health via our website, baptisthealth.net/vaccine, as supply allows. We notify our community about available appointments on social media. Please follow us @BaptistHealthSF for the latest information, and encourage your family and friends to do the same. We expect to continue to post new appointments as our supply of vaccine allows.

# **Glint Engagement Pulse Survey**

Our next Engagement Pulse Survey will kick off Monday, April 19, and run through Sunday, May 2. Please take a few minutes to participate. It's important for us to check in with you regularly, as we care about how you are doing and want you to know you are being heard. These pulse surveys, administered by Glint, are designed to allow our leaders and the organization to effectively obtain feedback and measure employee engagement and satisfaction on an ongoing basis. Click here for more details and to see the survey questions. Survey invitations will be emailed to all employees via personalized links, starting Monday, April 19 (from survey@glintinc.com).

### Fortune 100 Best Companies to Work For

It is an honor, but not surprising to me, that Baptist Health was recently ranked by Fortune magazine as one of this year's 100 Best Companies to Work For® in the country, on top of all other healthcare systems in Florida. This marks the 21st time we have been recognized on this list. It's our extraordinary people who make this a great place to work, grow and make an impact on the lives of those around us. I sincerely appreciate all of you for being there for each other and our patients and families.

Thank you,

#### **Bo Boulenger**

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