



A Publication from the Chief of Staff and Chief Medical Officer

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## COVID-19 Exposure Guidance for Medical Staff

- Processes specific to SJO caregivers and providers regarding screening, testing and clearance are posted on [providence.org/locations/st-joseph-hospital-orange/for-physicians](https://providence.org/locations/st-joseph-hospital-orange/for-physicians) *Testing is for exposures or physicians with symptoms. Testing is not for those who are asymptomatic with no evidence of active infection or exposure. We must be judicious with our resources, which are first for clinical patient care.*
- SJO Sharepoint website - [providence4.sharepoint.com/sites/Stjosephorangecovid-19communicationsite](https://providence4.sharepoint.com/sites/Stjosephorangecovid-19communicationsite)
- Exposure guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC): [cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-risk-assessment-hcp.html](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-risk-assessment-hcp.html)
- Orange County Public Health self-quarantine guidance [ocCOVID19.ochealthinfo.com/sites/virus/files/2020-03/COVID-19\\_Self-Quarantine\\_Guidance.pdf](https://ocCOVID19.ochealthinfo.com/sites/virus/files/2020-03/COVID-19_Self-Quarantine_Guidance.pdf)

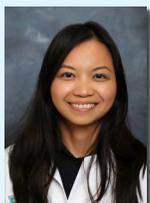
## In-person AHA Classes to Resume in July

St. Joseph Hospital is pleased to resume our in-person AHA classes beginning in July. We will be following the AHA and CDC recommendations for social distancing, masking and disinfecting as they relate to COVID-19. Additional classes have been added for BLS/HeartCode to accommodate all caregivers. Please visit [providence.org/locations/st-joseph-hospital-orange/for-physicians](https://providence.org/locations/st-joseph-hospital-orange/for-physicians) for the July AHA class schedule.

## Library Has Current COVID-19 Research

[www.providence.org/library](https://www.providence.org/library). Burlew Medical Library has been doing literature searches on pertinent topics. They have set up a daily email feed of all current research coming out on coronavirus/covid-19. They also created a detailed tab to organize research and international/government resources at: [providence.org/for-employees/library#tabcontent-1-pane-7/](https://providence.org/for-employees/library#tabcontent-1-pane-7/)

## Welcome New Medical Staff Members



**Anh Dao, MD**  
Pediatric Allergy & Immunology  
CHOC Children's



**Bahareh Bonyadi, DO**  
Neurology  
Neurological Care of Orange County



**Amy Soleta, MD**  
Anesthesiology  
Allied Anesthesia Medical Group



## Rod Hochman, MD, Honored as One of 'Most Influential' in Health Care

*Modern Healthcare* named **Rod Hochman, MD**, president and CEO of Providence St. Joseph Health, as one of the honorees on its annual list of "50 Most Influential

People in Healthcare." Each year, *Modern Healthcare* collates this list to recognize the leading clinical executives in the health care industry. This is Rod's eighth year on the list. He has held a spot since becoming president and CEO of PSJH. Honorees undergo strict criteria to be considered for the list. This year's evaluation also considered how clinical leaders addressed the pressures forced on their system and workforce due to the coronavirus pandemic. *Modern Healthcare* noted PSJH's early detection and comprehensive response to the COVID-19 virus.

## Doctor's Dining Room: Scrubbed for Your Meals

While there is no service in the Doctor's Dining Room, it is open and staff clean it regularly and thoroughly. Please enjoy dining here while maintaining social distancing.

## Pavilion Pharmacy Joins Credena Health

As of July 1, the St. Joseph Hospital Pavilion Pharmacy, will be part of Providence-owned Credena Health, a premier pharmacy that treats complex conditions while offering patients and providers a seamless experience. Credena Health services promote the well-being of patients:

- Quick access to specialized medications
- Trusted pharmaceutical experts
- Help securing financial assistance
- 24/7 availability by phone
- Exceptional customer service

The most noticeable change for providers will be the names they see in electronic health records when ordering medications. The process for sending prescriptions remains the same in Epic and Meditech; provider care teams will simply see two new names for the pharmacies in Epic's and Meditech's pharmacy drop down lists:

- Credena Health Burbank
- Credena Health Orange

The rapid and accurate work these retail pharmacies do will continue to be the standards for service to our providers. Additional pharmacist care management services will be available soon to support dispensing of select specialty medications at these retail locations.



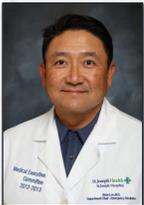
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Earned for the third straight year for outstanding performance in delivering a positive experience for patients during their hospital stay.

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## In the Trenches with Brian Lee, MD, Medical Director of the Emergency Care Center



On the night of February 11, 2020, during an Anaheim Ducks home game, Jay Bouwmeester collapsed on the St. Louis Blues. His critical state was witnessed by a teammate, who immediately recognized the emergency and scrambled the trainers to Bouwmeester's aid. The Anaheim Ducks' medical training staff immediately signaled their emergency physician, who responded within seconds with the assistance of security staff, players on the ice and medical team. Dr. Daniel Gromis traversed the boards to find an unconscious Bouwmeester. He initiated CPR and paramedic personnel promptly joined in the resuscitation effort, assisting with the application of an AED (automated electrical defibrillator). Using continuous chest compression and hands-on defibrillation, a single shock was able to immediately revive Bouwmeester from death to life.

In 2014, the NHL imposed a league requirement to staff an emergency physician at all games after a similar event involving the Dallas Stars center Rich Peverly. It is

for this purpose that Dr. Gromis was in his seat that night. Dr. Gromis is an emergency medicine physician and partner with the Emergency Medicine Specialists of Orange County (EMSOC). EMSOC primarily provides services at St. Joseph Hospital and CHOC Childrens, and also serves to provide emergency care for both home and away team members at all Ducks home games.

The thousands of fans in attendance were silenced by the gravity of the event, as they witnessed a coordinated response to a critical situation which ultimately resulted in the best possible outcome. It is to this end, that emergency physicians and EMS personnel work tirelessly. To the average onlooker, a medical catastrophe like this is chaotic; but to these professionals, they acted efficiently and professionally. These are individuals who have the capacity to analyze a situation within moments, often with little or no information. Using their skills of assessment and physical examination, they then make life or death decisions. EMSOC physicians do not see such binary situations as life or death, but rather as life without

any alternate. Each partner at the group that staffs these events holds themselves to the highest standard of professionalism and preparedness because the Players, their potential patients, deserve nothing less.

EMSOC brings to the rink what they each bring every day to the bedside of their patients: the best imaginable emergency medical care. The medical staff of the Anaheim Ducks may be at the forefront of emergency medical preparedness and implementation for professional sports. The medical team is a multidisciplinary team led by **Dr. Kenton Fibel**, medical director of the Anaheim Ducks. Other professional teams have contacted the Ducks to learn from their Emergency Action Preparedness training model. The NHL should be commended on its commitment to player safety and knowing that life or death decisions needs professionals equipped to make them. The Ducks' trust in EMSOC to make those decisions at their games could not have been better placed. Because of their medical decision making and response, Jay Bouwmeester is recovering well with his family, back home in St. Louis.