

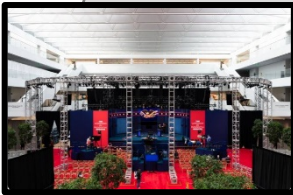
UPDATE: Ohio medical schools help lead frontline fight against COVID-19

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Ohio's seven colleges of medicine continue to push forward, working together to harness all available resources and knowledge to have a meaningful impact that supports our state and our leaders in the fight against COVID-19.



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CWRU Presents “Health Care Cleveland—COVID, 2020 and Beyond”

As a precursor to the first presidential debate and its focus on health care, Case Western Reserve's School of Medicine hosted a series of live virtual forums on topics that affect global health care.

Epidemics of Inequities: COVID 19 and the Opioid Crisis

Case Western Reserve University's School of Medicine and Laura and Alvin Siegal Lifelong Learning Program will offer a webinar series on Racial Disparity, Social Justice, COVID-19 and the Opioid Crisis. The next offering will explore the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on communities of color, their barriers to health care and the reported spike in opioid overdoses in the Black and Hispanic populations.

Will pandemic hamper Halloween fun? We asked COVID-19 experts, 'Would you do this, doc?'



The exalted season of haunting is upon us, and soon, children will pull on costumes and trek through neighborhoods trick-or-treating after dark as candlelit jack-o-lanterns scare away demons (or so the legend goes). But, boo! COVID-19 is prowling streets and hovels this year, threatening a chilling effect on the frightful fun. University of Cincinnati experts advise how to keep kids safe while still having fun.

Operation Warp Speed officials applaud UC researchers' Covid-19 vaccine efforts

Dr. Moncef Slaoui, chief adviser to Operation Warp Speed, the Trump administration's program pushing for a vaccine by January 2021, paid a visit to University of Cincinnati College of Medicine and UC Health officials on Thursday to offer a "thank you" to the team.

Fall 2020 Ignite Magazine tackles racism and the COVID-19 pandemic



The fall issues features the stories of the many dedicated students who have been involved in the grassroots student-activated COVID-19 Relief Initiative and "COVID-19 and Race," a commentary by Joseph Zarconi, M.D. the University's medical director in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and Andre Burton, J.D., vice president for human resources and diversity.

COVID-19 podcast features NEOMED infectious disease expert

Dr. Thomas File, professor of internal medicine and president of the Infectious Diseases Society of America, was featured on Summa Health's "Healthy Vitals" podcast discussing what we know about the COVID-19 virus today that we didn't know a few months ago, as well as discussing transmission, flu season and more.



Navigating the Impact of COVID on Research

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused a major disruption in many aspects of life, including research projects. This zoom session discussed how researchers can stay informed in order to navigate these challenges to continue to move their research projects forward, as well as address concerns that researchers may face in how COVID-19 may be affecting their career trajectory.

Ohio State To Study COVID-19 In First Responders With \$10 Million Grant



Researchers at The Ohio State University College of Medicine and The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center have been awarded a five-year, \$10 million grant from the National Cancer Institute in the National Institutes of Health to study the long-term, longitudinal impact of COVID-19 on first responders, healthcare workers and the general population.



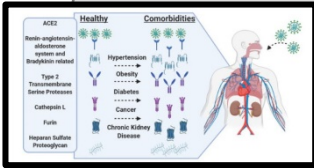
Heritage College of Medicine holds Stock the Pantry event supporting local foodbank



The Ohio University Heritage College of Medicine collected 910 pounds (nearly 50 trunkfuls) of food for the SE Ohio Foodbank during their drive-through Stock the Pantry event! Students, faculty and staff continue to find ways to safely serve the community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Support for OHIO students with disabilities available amid pandemic

Ohio University students with disabilities still have resources and support systems available to them as they work on their education amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. The program not only benefits students ready to graduate, but also for any in planning stages. Students are encouraged to reach out at any point during their education to find resources and assistance that works for them.



Impact of Comorbidities on SARS-CoV-2 Viral Entry-Related Genes

University of Toledo researchers examined 1,900+ patients with various comorbidities and show that some of these diseases have the potential to increase the ability of the virus to infect target organs.

University of Toledo College of Medicine offers self care resources for faculty, students and staff

Visit the University of Toledo College of Medicine Wellness website for resources and tips on self care. During these challenging times, it is important to take care of yourselves, including your mental and physical health. Resources include tips to avoid burnout and tips for well-being.



Running toward the danger

While most of the world stayed at home during the early surge of the coronavirus pandemic, many health care workers traveled to hard-hit areas to help make a difference. Two were students at the Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine—Juliet Corcillo and Kyle Henneke '14.

How COVID-19 is disproportionately affecting communities of color

Dr. Gary LeRoy said the global coronavirus pandemic has shined a light on what's been known in the medical profession for decades: that people of color are more likely to have poor health outcomes. "They're more vulnerable for poor healthcare outcomes because of unemployment, educational opportunities, diabetes, hypertension and chronic diseases and such."