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Dear Colleagues,

We are facing unprecedented volumes in the hospital and we need your help. The second wave of the COVID pandemic has resulted in a rapid increase in hospitalizations (now over 100 inpatients with COVID) and this is on top of an already filled medical service. To address these unprecedented patient volumes and make sure we're prepared for even great volumes at the COVID pandemic grows, we need to build a substantial back-up pool of available providers. While you may have already been approached by your division head, we have two volunteer opportunities that you can sign up for.

**(1) COVID teams (APPs and physicians).** We are also looking for help with COVID teams (direct care or in partnership with other COVID providers, buddy hospitalist to help support you, and we will train you in COVID care). If you are interested in volunteering for some shifts, please fill out the survey below and we will then be in contact about available shifts. We will help you to work with employee health to get the necessary PPE.

**COVID team sign up:** <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=yjczVhelGkKq4BqltBT9fzdsFTAgr5dKpNaYKEupiyNUOUgzRUZYTDBOV0hKT1Y0MEVWTE8wTjhDWC4u>

**(2) Attending teaching team help.** Help serve on a resident teaching team! You will also have a buddy hospitalist to help with any questions. We are asking for your availability now and will build a tentative schedule based on your responses. We will share this tentative back up schedule with you all and will let you know at least one week prior to the start of the shift if you will definitely be "activated." Once activated or committed to a shift, we will keep you scheduled so as to minimize disruptions.

**Teaching team sign up:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4FAFA72BA0FBC25-phase>

**The DOM will give you full credit for your RVU targets and the 10% QI metric for your outpatient responsibilities during the time you provide these volunteer inpatient care services.**

Many of you have already served or have volunteered for upcoming service and we appreciate all of the support you have provided. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Thank you for your continued efforts!

Our very best wishes,

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