DOM COVID-19 TOWN HALL

- Welcome and Introduction
- Pandemic numbers
- Overview of clinical, research, and education programs
- Financial planning in DOM at AMC

Q/A – Use the chat box to ask questions
Leadership to Address Questions

• AMC – DOM Vice Chairs, Anne Fuhlbrigge, Jean Kutner, Tom Flaig, and Geoff Connors
• VAMC – Jim Beck
• NJH – Kevin Brown
• Denver Health – Ed Havranek and Connie Price
Promising Covid Pandemic Numbers

• Deaths: leveling off in Colorado and IHME website projects that our peak was March, 28th (4/10 in the U.S.)

• Covid Cases: CDPHE website shows a leveling off of admissions and deaths in Colorado (cases keep rising but likely due to ↑ testing)

• Hospital Census: leveling off cases at all sites

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Covid Medicine – lessons learned

• Comradery of Providers across Divisions and Departments
  o Hospitalists and ER physicians working in ICU
  o Anesthesiologists and surgeons leading ICU teams
  o Trainees working across disciplines

• Telehealth is here to stay and needs to be expanded
Virtual visits in the Metro Denver area have increased from less than 50/day to >1500 visits/day in the span of 4 weeks.
Established DOM Committee to Plan Phased Recover of Clinical Operation

- Many decisions will be made by others
  - Governor: reduce social distancing
  - SOM, CU Medicine, and UCH
- Challenges to considered
  - Provider and staff: screening for asymptomatic shedding and PPE
  - Protection of uninfected patients
  - Prioritize elective procedure backlog
  - Social distancing throughout clinical operation and shift work
  - Increase in virtual health
Research

• SOM Research Consortium – biobank and biorepository
• Clinical trials (remdesivir, sarilumab, and hydroxychloroquine)
• Convalescent serum program
• Grant support – NIH, DoD, NSF, BARDA, and Foundations
  (https://research.ucdenver.edu/research-development-and-education/home/funding/covid-19-funding)
• Phased recovery of research operation being considered by SOM committee (Craig Jordan is our representative)
Medical Education and Training

• ACGME Status “Stage 3 Pandemic” until at least April 27th (weekly)
  o Basic work hour rules apply
  o All other decisions and assignments up to program director
  o Internal moonlighting restored (not external moonlighting)

• Orientation of new trainees
  o New interns and fellows will start on time
  o Combination of virtual orientation and social distancing
  o ACLS/BLS training: in-person training is currently required
Medical Grand Rounds

- April 22\textsuperscript{nd}: SARS-CoV2 Vaccine Development
  - Florian Krammer, Rosemary Rochford, and Ross Kedl

- April 29\textsuperscript{th}: Challenges in the management of Covid-19 patients (case-based presentations)
  - Kelly Bookman, Abbey Lara, Anunta Virapongse, and Mary Bessesen

- May 6\textsuperscript{th}: Covid-focused MGRs by Chief Residents

- Other possibilities
  - Susceptible populations and racial disparities
  - Risk to healthcare workers
  - Mental health and the Covid Pandemic
  - The New Normal – clinical, research, education, cultural

Send me your suggestions
Financial Implications in the DOM (AMC)

• Principles
  o We’re all in this together
  o Support current faculty and staff
  o Support ongoing educational and research programs

• Conservative projected deficits and plans
  o FY20 $4.3M deficit (divisions - 64%; DOM – 36%)
  o FY21 $3.1M deficit (under discussion)
  o No salary increases
  o Only critical hires
Take Home Messages

• The pandemic numbers are promising
• There are a number of lessons learned in the clinical, research, and educational domains
• We understand the financial implications of this crisis and are proactively addressing the anticipated shortfalls
• We’re beginning to turn our attention to recovery planning of the clinical, research, and educational programs
Additional Sources of Information

- CU AMC (https://www.cuanschutz.edu/coronavirus)
- CU SOM (https://som.ucdenver.edu/COVID-19)
- DOM (https://medschool.cuanschutz.edu/medicine/faculty-affairs/covid-19)
- ID Division (https://medschool.cuanschutz.edu/infectious-diseases/information/ncov)
- IHME (http://www.healthdata.org/covid/updates)