

University of New Mexico

UNM Digital Repository

HSC Messages from the Chancellor

HSC Marketing & Communications

Spring 4-22-2020

2020-04-22 A Message from Chancellor Roth

Paul B. Roth

chancellor-roth@salud.unm.edu

Follow this and additional works at: https://digitalrepository.unm.edu/hsc_chancellor



Part of the [Health and Medical Administration Commons](#), and the [Public Health Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Roth, Paul B.. "2020-04-22 A Message from Chancellor Roth." (2020). https://digitalrepository.unm.edu/hsc_chancellor/20

This Brief is brought to you for free and open access by the HSC Marketing & Communications at UNM Digital Repository. It has been accepted for inclusion in HSC Messages from the Chancellor by an authorized administrator of UNM Digital Repository. For more information, please contact amywinter@unm.edu, lsloane@salud.unm.edu, sarahrk@unm.edu.



HEALTH SCIENCES

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

[View this email in your browser](#)

A Message from Chancellor Roth

Dear Colleagues:

Today is National Administrative Professionals' Day. I'm urging everyone to reach out and thank their coworkers serving in administrative roles for their skilled engagement with our mission.

Those of us who are working off campus have been learning how to translate our daily office routines into a virtual setting, attending online meetings, submitting reports and filling out time sheets as usual. The unsung heroes in all of this are our administrative officers – the folks who know how to work the machinery that keeps the University running.

They have been scheduling our Zoom meetings, maintaining work calendars, setting up online appointments and executing other crucial behind-the-scenes tasks to keep us all on track. We literally could not do what we do without them.

Meanwhile, our Health Sciences faculty, students and staff have been doing a wonderful job of stepping forward to volunteer their time to help others who are providing clinical care to COVID-19 patients.

Mary Pat Couig, PhD, MPH, RN, associate professor in the College of Nursing, has been overseeing the coordination of volunteer efforts. She reports that more than 380 people have volunteered to help with childcare, getting groceries or running errands. Some of our faculty have also volunteered to provide phone triage and clinical care. Hats off to everyone involved.

The willingness to pitch in and help speaks well of the thoughtfulness and motivation of everyone in our Health Sciences community.

Finally, as I have said on many occasions, your health and well-being are foremost in my thoughts. You have been working very hard in unprecedented and immensely challenging circumstances, and I want to make sure you receive all the support you need.

I also wanted to give you all an update on the current hospital COVID numbers:

UNMH Adults

# of Positive COVID Inpatients	27
# of Positive COVID Vents	16

UNMH Pediatric

# of Positive COVID Inpatients	0
--------------------------------	---

SRMC

# of Positive COVID Inpatients	12
--------------------------------	----

# of Positive COVID Vents	4
---------------------------	---

UNMH has also become the referral hospital for Gallup over the last two days. We have begun receiving patients from that area. As many of you know our tribal partners are being hit hard with this pandemic. We will continue to do what we can, and we would ask you to do the same by staying home, social distancing and practicing good hygiene.

Warm regards,



Paul B. Roth, MD, MS
Chancellor for Health Sciences
CEO, UNM Health System
Dean, UNM School of Medicine

Please visit the [New Mexico Department of Health website](#) for the latest COVID-19 updates.

