

Dear Nobles

The hospital is quickly ramping up. The operating room is functioning at 77% now and 65% at the inpatient clinic. There isn't any outreach clinics open at this time due to Covid-19.

There isn't any travel allowed within the Shrine System. The Atlantic bubble has restricted a lot of travel from Eastern Canada as the parents/guardians do not want to isolate for 14 days when they return home. We now have two patients from New Brunswick at the hospital. One patient was driven to the hospital by their parents and the other arrived by air with a parent.

There is a Conference Call concerning a new directive on Covid # 19 August 26, 2020 at 1:30PM Local time. I will forward the Covid Policy to the Luxor Office for distribution when it's released.

The three committees that I am on are also ramping up. We are starting to meet by Skype rather than Conference Call starting in September.

Last month the hospital performed 80 surgeries.

We are making new development in sports medicine and our Montreal Hospital is ranked right up there.

The hospital has received 515 new referrals this month and had 1845 outpatient clinic visits.

The ramping up is being done in a manner so that if we get second wave of COVID-19 they will only have to roll back a bit and they will not have to close.

Again, if any Shrine Club/ Unit want me to come to a meeting and talk about the Shriner's Hospital I am more than willing to come especially if you're having a Blue Buddy Night or some Special Event.

In closing, let's stay healthy and safe as we ramp up and let's not forget that kindness and compassion will help us through this pandemic.

Feel free to call or email me if you have any questions.

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