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Colleagues,

I have some important updates for you. Our Medical Command and Control (MCC) team, which was formed to provide guidance for the medical community of Saginaw County, has provided you with guidance for **Ambulatory Clinics**. This guidance is to ensure that all clinics are providing consistent medical care. [Please CLICK HERE to view.](#)

In addition, another resource in our county is the **Ascension St. Mary's Respiratory Care Clinic** (RCC) which provides an alternate site for patients exhibiting COVID symptoms to be seen outside of physician offices. For those PCPs not directly seeing patients with symptoms of COVID-19 or using telehealth, the St. Mary's RCC is a place to send patients with respiratory symptoms that need evaluation. Patients being referred to the RCC must have an appointment. [Please CLICK HERE for details.](#)

We wanted to remind you about the **Covenant COVID-19 Hotline at 989-583-3135** which can provide guidance and order testing which is open from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Also, the Covenant Sampling Site hours have changed: Monday-Saturday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., and closed on Sunday. When choosing Covenant, you are encouraged to call the Covenant hotline to schedule COVID-19 testing.

Moreover, please [CLICK HERE](#) for **latest guidelines for testing from MDHHS**.

Additionally, **Great Lakes Bay Health (GLBH) has hotlines for each testing location** ([please CLICK HERE to view](#)) that can be called regarding uninsured patients needing to establish PCPs and obtain COVID-19 testing. This testing and PCP visit will be at no charge to the patient. GLBH also provides COVID-19 testing for the county.

Finally, in our efforts to keep count of Saginaw County's deceased COVID-19 patients, we have created a **Death Report Form** that must be faxed to the Saginaw County Health Department (SCHD) when you become aware of your patient's death. [CLICK HERE to access the form.](#)

You can access the **Daily Report on COVID-19 Cases in Saginaw County** by [CLICKING HERE](#).

There has been some confusion for those applying for **FEMA Reimbursement** as a result of COVID-19. Please [CLICK HERE](#) for a more digestible set of instructions that helps explain the process and outlines resources for help.

Please call the SCHD with your questions and concerns at (989) 758-3800. Remember, we are a resource for you during these difficult times.

Keep safe,

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**Note: The above information is available on the home page of [www.SaginawCountyMS.com](http://www.SaginawCountyMS.com) under the Saginaw County Health Department section.**