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***Sent on behalf of Greg Ruppert, Tulane Health System VP of Human Resources***

Dear Tulane Health System colleagues,

As the impact of COVID-19 on our hospitals and community becomes more significant, we continue to implement protocols to ensure the safety of our patients, colleagues and physicians. Beginning this afternoon, everyone who enters a Tulane Health System care site – employees, physicians, patients and essential visitors – will have their temperature checked. Those with a temperature of 100 degrees or higher will not be allowed to enter.

We are taking this step to protect our patients and staff. To ensure we're providing the best care we can, we ask that beginning now, you check your temperature every day before you come to your hospital or clinic. If you are ill or running a temperature, please then call your supervisor and allow them time to find a replacement – something that is more difficult to do if the fever is discovered as you arrive to start your shift.

We will work to streamline this process as much as we can, but please also allow a few extra minutes in your commute to work, as there may be a line during busier shift-change periods.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and all you do to keep our patients – and each other – healthy and safe.

Greg Ruppert  
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