

COVID-19

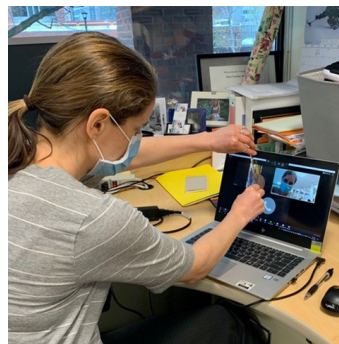
Patient Care Services

April 29, 2020

In appreciation for your selfless work and dedication during these extraordinary times

Celebrating Occupational Therapy Month COVID-style

April is Occupational Therapy Month. Despite the suspension of ambulatory visits due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the OT department continues to provide much-needed rehabilitation in the inpatient setting and via virtual visits with patients in their homes.



(At left): ensuring that patient care is not compromised by the suspension of ambulatory visits, certified hand therapist, Katie DeMello, OTR/L, measures patient's range of motion on her computer screen during virtual occupational therapy visit.



(At left): the inpatient Occupational Therapy team. These therapists are providing needed rehabilitation to COVID-19 patients, helping them re-gain strength and function in preparation for discharge.

(Above): certified hand therapist, Gae Burchill, OTR/L, works with patient remotely to review exercises and monitor function. Patients are so appreciative to be able to continue their therapy during the pandemic.

A wedding on Blake 12

Last week, in the Blake 12 ICU, a COVID-19 patient near the end of life decided he wanted to marry his long-time girlfriend. To grant his wish, the patient's entire interdisciplinary team quickly mobilized to arrange a wedding complete with flowers, wedding rings, cake, and decorations, provided by



Mass General. The patient's family was able to 'attend' the ceremony via video conferencing, and staff celebrated with him from a safe distance outside his room. Days later, with his new wife by his side, the patient passed away... a happily married man.

COVID-19 Research

Click on image to go to the Munn Center portal page to:

- access COVID-19-related research (Research for Review: Weekly Update)
- find opportunities to participate in COVID-19 research studies (COVID-19 Study Recruitment)

