

Info to Know



Shodair
CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
April 2020

COVID19

Corona Virus Disease 2019

Shodair formed an Incident Command Team on March 13, 2020 and that group has continued to meet to every day since. Utilizing video conferencing was a piece of infrastructure already in place to use with our patients, so the transition to use for staff meetings was smooth. Thanks to technology, the team was able to collaborate while maintaining the physical distance the COVID 19 pandemic requires to prevent transmission.

This group of professionals has led this organization through uncharted territory that we are very much still in the trenches of. We will likely make mistakes that provide opportunities of growth. We will ask our employees to take risks to provide care for our patients. And, we most certainly, will remain united through it all and emerge on the other side when this is all over.

Fear of the unknown is a common theme while at our jobs, at our dinner tables, and heavy on our hearts. Now more than ever we continue to have each others backs. Now more than ever we depend on the care of the community. And now more than ever, we hope you're letting the people love know.

It's been an intense month for Shodair, Montana and our nation. We hope this finds you healing or in good health, helped or helping others, and inspired by or inspiring hope.

Like to Sew?

Materials have been donated and purchased to make masks for Shodair employees. We will provide fabric, elastic or bias, metal wire, thread, and a pattern from St. Peter's to anyone interested in making masks. This is an opportunity for employees to make up some needed hours. For those interested, contact your supervisor. Materials will be available on Monday at the hospital foyer of the main entry.

Special thanks to **The Sewing Palace** and **Joanne's Fabrics** for donating some of the supplies!



Postponed CMN Events

After careful consideration, the following Children's Miracle Network fundraisers have been postponed. Stay tuned for the rescheduled dates.

- Ace Hardware's Round Up Campaign (scheduled for April 1-30)
- Panda Express's Employee Giving Campaign (scheduled for April 1-30)
- Costco Wholesale's Membership Drive at Shodair Children's Hospital (scheduled for April 17)

Shodair is....Shodair is not

- Shodair is accepting admissions for acute patients approved by the medical director.
- Shodair is taking providing outpatient services via telehealth for children, adolescents and young adults. Call 406.444.1125 to schedule an appointment.
- Shodair is being considered as a surge hospital.
- Shodair is hiring, apply at [website](#)

Do you have masks?

We are asking readers to look in their garages and utility areas for potential masks. Many of us don't realize the masks used for painting or sanding are exactly the ones we need. If you would please take a few moments to look and consider donating them, to Shodair, we would be extremely grateful!



Thanks to everyone who contributed to the food drive for Helena Food Share recently. Your generosity and care for others does not go unnoticed.

Pinwheels for prevention

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. It's an opportunity to learn more and be aware of the signs of child abuse and neglect. Communities around the nation come together to support families and children by reinforcing strategies that are working.

Pinwheels for Prevention is a national public awareness campaign built around the symbol of the pinwheel. The blue pinwheels around campus are happy and uplifting symbols of childhood that convey the message that every child deserves a chance to be raised in a healthy, safe and nurturing environment.



Shodair employees yet again come through

The past few weeks have been meant that Shodair employees have once again stepped up where needed. Here some photos of the extra cleaning, refinishing, and screen station post efforts from some of our staff. Thanks to those (many not pictured here) who continue to pitch in where needed!

We appreciate you very much!



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Psychiatry and Genetics

update for February

Average length of stay per inpatient unit:

Acute Adolescents: 10 (budgeted 8.5)

Acute Childrens: 17 (budgeted 10)

Residential Middle School Age: 32

Residential Teenage: 46

Percentage of Medicaid Patients served: 76 %

Admissions: 75

Patient Satisfaction (Outpatient):

Percentage of patients who reported that they are getting the help they need:

Outpatient: 100%

Group Home: 71%

Self reported gender identity of youth surveyed upon admission to Shodair:

Female: 48%

Male: 42%

Transgender: 5%

Non-binary: 5%

Clinical Genetics

Total patients seen for **genetics consultation** (combined: face-to-face, telemedicine, cancer genetics, metabolic, cleft lip and palate): **73 total**

Telemed: 3 of 73

Psych: 8 of 73

Cancer: 6 of 73

Face-to-face : 56 of 73

Genetics Laboratory: 124 total

Molecular Tests: 97

Cytogenetics Tests: 27

Foundation

Dance Marathon Recap

Montana State University had its second annual Dance Marathon and we are happy to report the university had another successful event. 250 dancers came together for six hours to raise money and awareness for Shodair Children's Hospital.

Going into the day, the Dance Marathon team raised \$25,000 and at the end of the day, over \$32,000 was raised for our hospital!

We are so thankful for our growing partnership with the Dance Marathon team at Montana State University and we appreciate the support that came from Shodair employees and community partners to support their fundraiser.



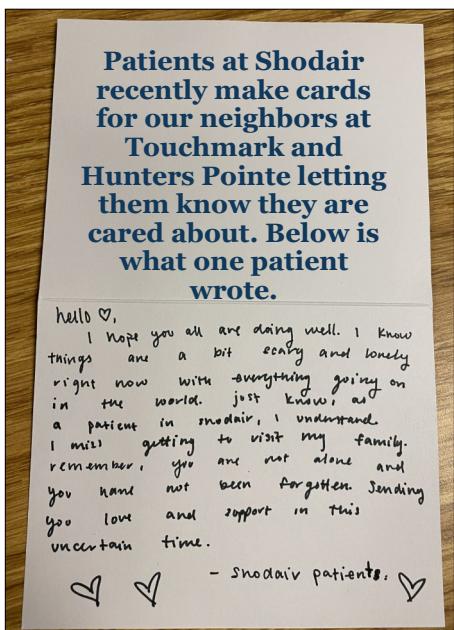
Letter of support to CMN Partners

On behalf of Shodair and the Foundation, we want you to know that we've been thinking about you, your team, and your families during this time of uncertainty. In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, we empathize with the stress of providing services and ensuring the health and safety of yourself and your customers.

As things continue to unfold over the coming weeks, please know that the Foundation at Shodair appreciates you more than ever, not just for your fundraising efforts, but for what you're doing right now to help our communities function at their best. And, we are so genuinely thankful to call you a partner and friend of Shodair Children's Hospital.

From the beginning of this situation, the health and well-being of our patients and staff has been our highest priority and we remain committed to providing the latest information regarding the virus and how we are responding and preparing for continuing change. We are also sharing information on our [Facebook](#) and Instagram pages to keep our followers up to date. We are also making videos with relevant and useful information for you and your loved ones that are shared on all our digital platforms including Shodair's [YouTube channel](#). We encourage you to engage with us there.

Thank you so much for all you do. Please stay healthy and safe. If we may be of assistance in any way, don't hesitate to reach out!



Moose Junction Recap

Last month, Moose Junction had its first-ever community day and selected Shodair Children's Hospital as the beneficiary and raised \$251. Thank you to everyone who purchased a coffee drink or a pizza in order to support Shodair and a special thanks goes out to the Moose Junction team for putting on this event.

