COVID-19 Impact

COVID-19 has challenged OU Health in significant ways, and it has taken an enormous toll on people throughout our state. The highly contagious Delta variant has fueled another surge of hospitalizations at a rate not seen since the previous surge. Nearly 100% of the patients hospitalized at OU Health with COVID-19 have not been vaccinated.

OU HEALTH COVID-19 HOSPITALIZATIONS



- Not fully vaccinated
- Fully vaccinated

WAITING FOR ER BEDS



On average 15-19 patients are waiting for beds in the ER

WAITING FOR ICU BEDS

Nearly 100%

ICU beds are consistently full with limited ability to take new patients

STAFFING SHORTAGE & CONTRACT LABOR IMPACT



OU Health has the physical space in to care for additional COVID-19 patients, but we simply do not have the staff.

\$165.00 per/hr

Contract wage for traveling nurse \$36.4 million

Spent on contract labor above budgeted in past 6 months

\$33.6 million

Contract labor amount in next three months

CANCER IMPACT



Decrease in Mammograms, Colonscopies & Other Cancer Screenings

We have observed a lower number of new cancer diagnoses.



Anticipated Rebound in Cases

Because of missed screenings, there will be an increase in later stage cancer diagnoses.

PEDIATRIC IMPACT



We're observing a mental health crisis in our pediatric population. Suicide ideations have increased dramatically since the pandemic started. Currently our hospital and state is under resourced for pediatric mental health.



We are seeing an increased number of COVID-19 infections and hospitalizations among children.

