

COVID-19 Health System Updates

June 30, 2021, Wednesday

More than 20,000 of you have now registered for COVID-19 vaccine stickers, meaning that you can now take your mask off in break rooms and nonclinical office spaces and spend time with your Mount Sinai family without social distancing.

That's great—but according to our vaccine pod records, more than 31,000 of you got vaccinated at a Mount Sinai facility. That means thousands of vaccinated employees don't have their stickers yet.

If you're one of them, please consider registering today. You can give us permission to download your vaccine information from Epic or submit proof of vaccination [online](#), or you can [make an appointment](#) at Employee Health Services to do so in person.

Even if you're working remotely, please register for a sticker as soon as you can. That will help us get the best picture of employee vaccinations across the Health System, including people who were vaccinated outside Mount Sinai. If you manage a team that does not routinely use email, please print out and distribute the attached flyer to encourage them to sign up.

As of this morning, we had 16 COVID-19-positive inpatients across the system, 3 of whom were in critical care. The New York State seven-day average test positivity rates as of yesterday were 0.4 percent for New York City and Long Island, and 0.3 percent for the mid-Hudson region.

Parking Permits Extended

The New York City Department of Transportation has once again extended the validity of parking permits that were issued to health care workers last year. The permits will now be valid through Tuesday, August 31. If you got one of these permits last year, please just keep using it; if you did not, unfortunately, no new ones are available.

A Parade to Thank Our Hometown Heroes

Next Wednesday, July 7, at 11 am, New York City will hold a "Hometown Heroes" ticker tape parade to thank the essential workers who helped the city battle the COVID-19 pandemic. The Mount Sinai Health System is pleased to sponsor a float in the parade to recognize first responders, health care workers, emergency food providers, and transportation workers and other heroes.

I'll have more to say about the parade next week, but for now, please know that the city plans to have public viewing areas along the parade route on lower Broadway, which those of you who are not scheduled to work or are able to take PTO can use to watch the parade. Check the [New York City website](#) for more details as the event gets closer.

As we head into the July 4 weekend, I hope you are able to stay cool, and to spend some time with your loved ones. Thank you again for all you do for our patients and our community.