Hi Team –

WOW!! A **BIG** congratulations to our partner **Xavier University** and the Musketeers for their **BIG WIN** on Sunday against Pitt!! Xavier is Cincinnati's *only* team still competing in March Madness and this is the *first* time the Musketeers have advanced to the Sweet 16 since 2017 – now **THAT's** something to cheer about!!! And that's exactly what we'll be doing on Friday night as they take on the Texas Longhorns – **GO XAVIER!!**

Speaking of things to cheer about, here is the latest roundup of TriHealth's most recent wins...

Getting Healthcare Right
Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month Reinforces the Importance of Early Detection

A big part of Getting Healthcare Right is about early detection and prevention, which is why Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month is so important! Colorectal cancer is at the top of the list for demonstrating the life-saving power of preventive screenings. I only wish this emphasis on early detection was the standard when my father was alive. My dad, Dr. Frank Clement – an alumnus of the Good Sam GME program and a Bethesda North doctor for many years – contracted and ultimately died from colon cancer back in the 1990s, long before screening was the standard. Today, his cancer would have been discovered early and he would likely still be with us. So, the vital importance of our efforts to develop, advance, and promote early detection and prevention practices cannot be understated!! And thanks to the amazing talents and hard work of **Valentina Dedman,** RN, BSN, CMSRN, TriHealth Physician Partners (TPP) GI Endoscopy Nurse Manager, **Kandas Mullinax,** RN, MSN, AMB-BC, Assistant Nurse Manager, **Dr. Tariq Shakoor**, TPP GI Medical Director, along with our growing TriHealth Physician Partners GI Team, we are rebuilding our GI service line to ensure that every patient we serve has access to the most advanced early detection and preventive care available – and it's making a BIG difference!! TriHealth's colorectal cancer screening rates are ***9% higher than the national average*** and this is resulting in lives being saved!!! This is yet another tangible proof point that early detection and prevention are key drivers in our efforts to achieve the Triple Aim – ***better care, better health, better value*** – which is what it means to Get Healthcare Right!

Donna Peters Appointed Senior Vice President & Chief Information Officer

As announced last week, **Donna Peters**, who has been serving as TriHealth's Interim Chief Information Officer (CIO) since Cathy French's retirement in September 2022, was appointed to the role of Senior Vice President and CIO. She was the *unanimous* choice among team members, physicians, leaders, and vendor partners who participated in the interview process! Donna's appointment is yet another shining testament to our TriHealth Way culture and the talent of our own team members! It's also the latest example of how TriHealth's very intentional commitment to invest in and develop our own people and provide career advancement through promotion from within is paying off – for both our team and TriHealth!! Congratulations to Donna on this well-deserved promotion!! Click here to read the full announcement.

TriHealth Teams Raise Nearly $30K in Heart Mini Marathon

The TriHealth Heart & Vascular Institute teamed up with TriHealth LifeStyles to get people "moving" toward better heart health at this year's American Heart Association Mini-Marathon & Walk. On Sunday, March 19, a total of 33 TriHealth teams comprised of more than 400 team members participated in the event. Together, they helped raise **nearly $30,000** which will support heart disease and stroke research, CPR training, and clinical research – all to advance innovation and medical breakthroughs and develop more champions for health equity. *Four hundred team members*…now that's engagement!!! A BIG thank you to all of our participants for living our values and demonstrating the TriHealth Way in action – all to support improved health and better heart care for our Greater Cincinnati community!! Click here to view more photos from the event.

Celebrating our Athletic Trainers and Social Workers in March

Getting Healthcare Right – *right care, right time, right place, right cost, right outcomes* – means providing our patients and the communities we serve with seamless and continuous *total* care that extends *beyond* the reaches of our hospitals, ambulatory campuses, service lines, and physician practices. And two very important groups of caregivers who allow TriHealth to do just that – *athletic trainers* and *social workers* – are being recognized this month, and we could not be more excited to join in the celebrations!

March is recognized as **National Athletic Training Month** – a time to honor and thank our 35 TriHealth Certified Athletic Trainers (ATCs) specializing in the prevention, examination, diagnosis, treatment, and rehabilitation of medical conditions resulting from emergent, acute, and chronic injuries. ATCs work in our TriHealth Sports Medicine Department supporting Xavier University, Mount St. Joseph University, and 15 local high schools on and off the field to help student-athletes optimize their health and sports performance. TriHealth also has ATCs in several other departments working with our physicians as physician extenders in aquatic therapy, in Health and Wellness at the TriHealth Pavilion, in Event Medicine, and onsite with employers through our Corporate Health Division. Our highly skilled ATCs play a vital role in helping TriHealth deliver the very best care and clinical outcomes across our full continuum of care and we are grateful for all they do! Visit Bridge to learn more.

March is also **Social Work Month**, providing us an opportunity to formally celebrate the talents, dedication, and hard work of our TriHealth social workers who play a vital role in our TriHealth Way of Delivering Care and are essential in our work to Get Healthcare Right. As valued members of our multidisciplinary team, social workers are trained to collaborate with our patients and families to address personal and systemic barriers to care, including food insecurity, mental health, abuse/neglect, housing, transportation, and much, much more. At TriHealth, social workers are found throughout our full continuum of care and their work contributes to positive – *and often, life-saving* – changes for individuals, families, and entire communities. As we continue to advance with our population health and health equities work, the vital role and many contributions of social workers will be more important than ever. And we are so thankful for all they do to help us break down barriers and facilitate care….all to ensure *everyone* has access to the *right care* in the *right place* at the *right time* to produce the *right clinical outcomes*!!

## March Team Member Town Hall Recording Available on Bridge

If you missed last week's March Team Member Town Hall, it's not too late to view the full recording [here](#) on Bridge. And don't forget, we're always interested in your input to help shape future Town Hall agendas. So, if you have thoughts about hot topics or timely news you want covered, or you have questions you want answered, please email them to TownHall@trihealth.com and we'll be sure to incorporate them on the April Town Hall agenda!

COVID Update

It's been another week of continued low and stable COVID transmissions here at TriHealth and throughout the community, providing further evidence that COVID has transitioned to an endemic state (see COVID graphics to right for details).
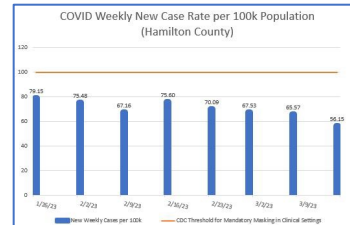
Thank you for all you do as ONE Team, TriHealth STRONG to help us move TriHealth from good to great – all so we can achieve our bold vision of Getting Healthcare Right for all those we serve, *always*! And that is exactly what we are doing, as it is clear, *now more than ever,* that TriHealth patients are healthier, and the care we deliver is better and more affordable because of you and your work!!!

Go Xavier!!