

## Silver Linings

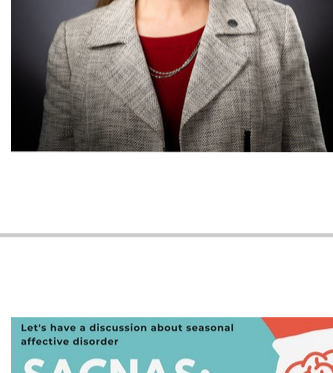
Last week we asked you to share any silver linings, professional and personal, that you have experienced during this challenging and unusual year.

Mary Bohlig shared the following about the team at Campus Recreation:

*The team at Campus Recreation Services not only met, but surpassed the challenges of operating during a pandemic. Without exception, staff displayed true agility in both responding and shifting to alternate methods of service delivery. Some of these include virtual fitness classes, reservation system for spaces with limited capacity, on-line outdoor instructional clinics, moving fitness equipment to create safe pods, retraining all front line staff, and Outdoor Adventures, which was open during the spring and summer when most the campus was effectively closed.*

Please share what your pandemic positives have been. What have you learned? How have you changed your practice? What improvements have you made with the ever changing situation? What are some small wins that you've had either personally or professionally. We'd like to share your stories and will review the entries submitted below.

Pandemic Positives



## All Staff Meetings for 2021

Student Affairs All Staff meetings with VP McDonald will resume in February 2021. Look for more details in January!



## SACNAS: Let's talk

Having winter blues? Feeling Down? Sluggish and unmotivated?

Join the University Counseling Center for a discussion of Seasonal Affective Disorder to learn how to detect signs, manage symptoms and have a more satisfying winter.

**December 15, 12-1:30 pm**

Presented by Chan Jeong "CJ" Park, M.A. (She, Her, Hers)

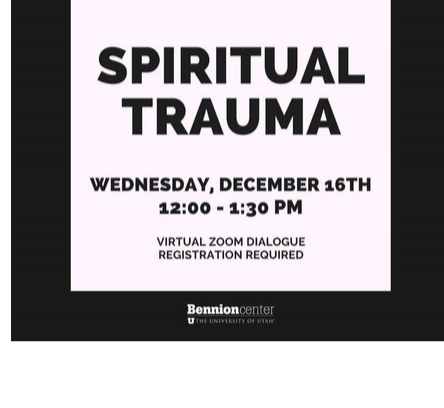
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## Community Conversation: Spiritual Trauma

**December 16, 12-1:30pm**

The purpose is to listen, be heard, and reflect with others.

Facilitators: Franci Taylor, David Parker, Holly Johnson, David Derezotes, Dean McGovern



Register here



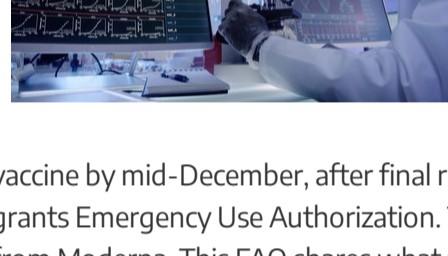
## University Community Drive-thru Flu Clinic through December 17th

Engineering Building parking lot - enter from North Campus Drive

**Tuesdays: 1-5 pm**

**Thursdays: 1-5 pm**

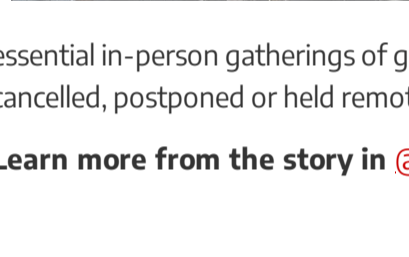
**Saturdays: 10am - 2pm**



## What we know about the COVID-19 vaccine

University of Utah Health anticipates it will receive doses of the Pfizer/BioNTech mRNA vaccine by mid-December, after final reviews are completed and provided the FDA grants Emergency Use Authorization. The FDA also is currently evaluating a vaccine from Moderna. This FAQ shares what we know at this time—is subject to change—about distribution of the vaccine, its effectiveness and other information that may be helpful to the U campus community.

Read more in [@theU](#).



## Updated COVID protocol for all in-person gatherings

The expectation for campus remains that all non-essential in-person gatherings of greater than 10 (i.e. 11 or more) people should be cancelled, postponed or held remotely.

Learn more from the story in [@theU](#).

# Student Affairs Committee Updates



## Division of Student Affairs RHOSLC Lunch Chat Round 2!

Join your colleagues from around the Division to chat about the previous weeks' episodes of Real Housewives of Salt Lake City! Facilitated by Jess Turuc, Director for Fraternity and Sorority Life, we will meet over a lunch Zoom meeting to discuss all the drama and updates thus far! This will be a Zoom meeting held on Friday, **December 18 from 12pm-1pm**.

Register here



## SADC Statement on Previous Diversity Certificates

For many years, the Student Affairs Diversity Committee (SADC) has recognized the many accomplishments of individuals from our Student Affairs family and campus partners with the [SADC Diversity Certificate](#). The certificate was intended to provide a recognition for individuals who completed participation in programming including the training modules, speaker series, newsletter contributions and attending hosted speaker events related to diversity and social justice initiatives.

After seeking feedback from all current committee members, the SADC has made the decision to discontinue diversity certificates. The committee values and appreciates everyone who has taken part in past modules, speaker series, and those who have contributed to the newsletter. Our intent is to continue these opportunities in the future and we hope that ending the certificate program will not impact your participation. As a committee we believe that a certificate can potentially send the wrong impression that there is an endpoint to this learning rather than understanding it as a continuous process, or that a particular level of expertise has been achieved. The "reward" for doing this work should be to impact others with our efforts, engaging in continuous critical self-reflection, and understanding how to create a better, more inclusive work and learning space.

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, in collaboration with Human Resources will be developing a leadership program that will be made available to all employees in the coming months. This program will have a strong equity and diversity component. We will also continue to work with Human Resources to expand learning opportunities. We appreciate your efforts and look forward to engaging in educational and developmental opportunities in the future.

Sincerely,

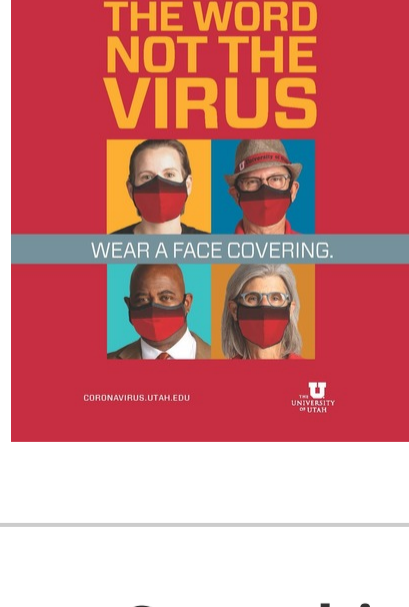
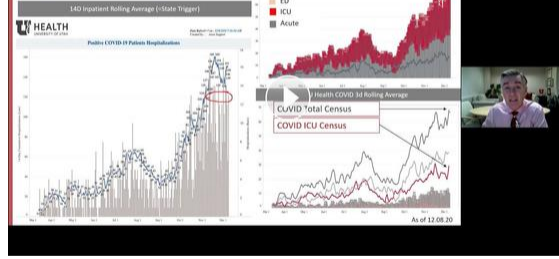
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## Weekly COVID-19 Updates from University of Utah Health

Dr. Michael Good, Senior Vice President of University of Utah Health, provided his weekly update on COVID-19 on December 8th. You can watch it here:



## COVID-19 Resources

[Coronavirus.utah.edu](https://coronavirus.utah.edu)

General Campus Questions Hotline

**801-213-2874**

Health and Testing Hotline

**801-587-0712**

## Something on Your Mind?

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