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**Testing, vaccines and more addressed in town hall Jan. 8**

President Ray Watts, Provost Pam Benoit, Dean Selwyn Vickers and others provided updates on UAB's spring testing strategy and vaccine rollout. Watch the full event here, and look for responses to questions not addressed during the town hall in an upcoming issue of the eReporter.

**UAB employees in ADPH vaccine phase 1a can register**

UAB's COVID-19 vaccine program is open to all employees in Phase 1a: All on-site or hybrid employees who work in UAB Hospital/UAB Hospital-Highlands, Spain Rehabilitation Center, or other UAB clinical settings where patients are seen — including inpatient, outpatient, mental health and home health environments. Only if you are eligible, register for vaccination online. Learn more.



**You can make a difference**

Volatile events such as the unrest in D.C. often garner reaction in social media but don't go much further. Get involved by learning more and joining important conversations, programs and events at UAB and beyond that lead to deeper perspective, understanding and positive action. Explore these opportunities from ODEI during Community Month.

**More news online**

Get campus news at [uab.edu/reporter](http://uab.edu/reporter) and COVID-19 updates at [uab.edu/uabunited](http://uab.edu/uabunited). If you have news you want to share with UAB faculty and staff, use the Request Publicity form online.

**Things to Know**

**Faculty senate to meet today**

The UAB Faculty Senate will meet 7:30-9:15 a.m. today via Zoom. Senate liaisons will send faculty Zoom link. Check online for the agenda.

**Register for spring e-sports leagues**

Challenge your friends, join one or all of our e-sports leagues and show us your FIFA 21, 2K21 NBA and MADDEN 21 skills. It's free to register and play, and it's open to UAB students and employees.

**COVID testing is for your safety**



**Sentinel testing to expand**

Campus faculty and staff on campus will have the opportunity to be tested every other week in an expanded and enhanced sentinel testing program to help identify and isolate asymptomatic positive cases. To participate, employees must first register with Verily beginning Jan. 15.

**Who benefits from sentinel testing? You and everyone else**

You, your co-workers and your family all benefit when you participate in UAB's sentinel testing — and this simple, self-administered swab doesn't take a test away from anyone else.

**What if I test outside UAB?**

Employees who receive COVID-19 testing outside UAB (i.e. primary care physician or pharmacy), should use Healthcheck to report a positive test and send a copy of your test results to [employeehealth@uabmc.edu](mailto:employeehealth@uabmc.edu) with the subject line "Positive COVID-19 Result." Then follow these steps.

**UAB continues to track, report employee COVID cases**

From Jan. 1-7, 56 new positive cases were reported among non-clinical faculty and staff and 229 new positive cases were reported among clinical enterprise employees. Contact-tracing continues to confirm the vast majority of cases to be community acquired. Please be as vigilant off campus as you are on campus.

**Call for answers to your COVID-19 questions**

The new UAB GuideSafe Hotline — 205-934-SAFE (7233) — is a single source for answers to common COVID-19 questions about testing, exposure, Healthcheck, isolation and more. Look for campus updates online at [uab.edu/uabunited](http://uab.edu/uabunited).

**Lectures and Learning**



**Get a Zoom overview today**

Learn to access your account, schedule and host a meeting, archive and record and access technical support 11 a.m. Jan. 12.

- Explore advanced features of Zoom Jan. 14

**Pappas to provide narrations of ENT Jan. 13**

Retired physician Dennis Pappas, M.D., will explore the history of the ear, nose and throat through a digital exhibit of historical books, instruments and other artifacts in the Reynolds-Finley Historical Library and Alabama Museum of the Health Sciences 6 p.m. Jan. 13. Submit questions in advance online.

**One more thing**



**Women's Basketball to host Charlotte Friday, Saturday**

See UAB Women's Basketball in conference play against Charlotte at 2 p.m. Friday and Saturday in Bartow Arena. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for youths and free for UAB students.

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