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## Update on Coronavirus



### Mount Sinai South Nassau COVID-19+ Data Dashboard

**313**

**Confirmed or Suspected COVID-19  
patients currently in house**

**327**

**Discharged COVID-19 patients**

**71**

**Ventilated COVID-19 Patients**

as of April 16, 2020

Nurses at Mount Sinai South Nassau created a "message board of hope" which shows the cumulative number of COVID-19 discharges and the number of COVID-19 patients successfully taken off ventilators... "Here Comes the Sun" by the Beatles is played each time a COVID patient is released from MSSN and Anne Nalick's "Breathe" is played when a patient comes off a ventilator.

### Here Comes the Sun...

The #COVID19 crisis has taken a heavy toll on our communities, but many patients are recovering! Below are videos of Earl Davis, 52, of Rosedale & Diogenes Villegas, 39, of Queens, leaving the hospital on their way home.



Earl Davis, 52, of Rosedale



Diogenes Villegas, 39, of Queens

### Recovered COVID-19 Patient Finds Hope Amid Fear



Catching COVID-19 never crossed Lina Hoyos' mind. The Mount Sinai South Nassau Language Coordinator and Oceanside mother serves on the front lines as an interpreter for patients. But on one Monday in late March when she developed a fever that quickly broke, she "didn't think anything of it." Over the next few days her temperature spiked and fell, she lost her appetite and her sense of taste and smell.

Frightened, Ms. Hoyos alerted the hospital's Employee Health Services about her emerging symptoms and was tested for COVID-19. She left work and drove home to isolate herself, while her parents cared for her three-year-old daughter. The next day she learned she had coronavirus. "I was scared," recalled Ms. Hoyos, who worried she would infect her family.

But 14 days after her diagnosis, she has recovered and is back to work on the front lines. "I feel lucky and blessed, and I want to be a beacon of hope," she said. "Yes, it's a horrible disease, but I don't want people to be afraid."

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### Coronavirus Survivors' Blood May Aid Critically Ill to Combat the Disease

It's being called a possible lifeline for the sick. Scientists and doctors say that convalescent plasma is a promising therapy that could save the lives of patients suffering from COVID-19. The key component in blood plasma taken from recovering COVID-19 patients are antibodies or protective proteins that are produced by the immune system in response to a bacteria or virus. These lifesaving antibodies may protect a patient against future infections of COVID-19. And if transferred to critically ill patients, it may help their bodies fight the disease. More studies are being done on these questions.



Mount Sinai South Nassau and other hospitals within the Health System have already begun treating patients with this therapy. Members of the public who have recovered and also meet these criteria are asked to consider donating plasma locally at Mount Sinai Doctors- Five Towns located at 1436 Broadway in Hewlett. [Click here](#) for additional information.

As we fight this global pandemic our resources have been tested but not our resolve. Our front line staff is stretched thin but our nurses, physicians and support staff have risen to the challenge at every turn of this unprecedented challenge to save lives. This remains a very challenging time for our community, our hospital and the entire health care system.

**With your continued help, we will get through this.** This is a defining moment for our hospital and for the entire health care system. You can help by donating to our COVID-19 Response Fund, [COVID FUND](#)

### Amy Schumer Donates Masks to Hospital Where Her Best Friend Works—Watch Their Touching Video Chat

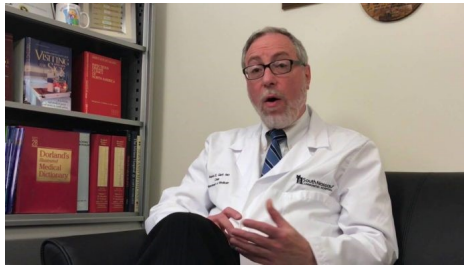


Comedienne Amy Schumer teamed up with reality TV star Bethenny Frankel and her bStrong Foundation to donate 5,000 masks and to Mount Sinai South Nassau, where Ms. Schumer's childhood friend Jen Cloudman works as a nurse.

[Read more...](#)



Click the image to read the story



Recently, Aaron E. Glatt, MD, Chair of Medicine and Hospital Epidemiologist, sat down with *The Long Island Press* to discuss how the coronavirus has impacted Mount Sinai South Nassau.

[Read more...](#)

### Facebook LIVE Interview Series Continues

Throughout the COVID-19 crisis, Mount Sinai South Nassau has been conducting live Facebook interviews that feature several of the hospital's medical and behavioral health experts.

#### Managing Diabetes during the COVID Pandemic



**Lucille Hughes**

DNP, MSN/Ed, CDCES, BC-ADM, FADCES

Director of Diabetes Education

### Acts of kindness...

**Oceanside School  
District donates iPads**

**Long Island Elite  
Networking donates**

**2nd donation of  
groceries**



## Hand Sanitizers



Mount Sinai South Nassau is grateful to the Oceanside School District for donating 50 previously used iPads to enable patients to stay connected to loved ones and friends during their hospital stay. Pictured above, from left, Joe Calderone, Senior Vice President, Corporate Communications and Development; Dana Sanneman, Executive Director, Public Relations; and Diane Provvido, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Research, Oceanside School District.



Long Island Elite, a nonprofit philanthropic and mentoring organization, has donated much-needed hand sanitizer. The pharmaceutical-grade hand sanitizer was manufactured at the Long Island Distillery in Baiting Hollow. From left, Long Island Elite's Frank Morizio, Jr., Board Member; Ian Murphy, Vice President; Michael Stern, President; and Timothy Matejka, Executive Director, Development, Mount Sinai South Nassau pose with donated hand sanitizers.



Once again, recognizing that the heavy demands on front-line staff may leave them little time to shop for groceries, full line food service distributor H. Schrier, & Co., Inc. and the Libertoff Family, in collaboration with Joel Schneider, Mount Sinai South Nassau Board member; and Mark Baron, founder of Parking Systems, supplied groceries to frontline staff, including milk, eggs, bread, fruits, as they leave the hospital and return to their homes.

*A big thank you to our amazing community and all the local businesses for their support during this difficult time. Your donations of food for our hardworking nurses and staff have warmed our hearts and lifted our spirits. We are so grateful. Please continue to support these local businesses who donated to Mount Sinai South Nassau.*

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Mount Sinai South Nassau is grateful to Dunkin Brands for its donation of 1,000 glazed donut sticks to hospital staff and Stop & Shop for its continued donation of thousands of meals to staff three times a week.

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For the most up to date information about COVID-19, please visit the CDC website at: [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

Mount Sinai South Nassau COVID-19 information is located at:  
[southnassau.org/covid19](https://southnassau.org/covid19)

Thank you for supporting Mount Sinai South Nassau. Be assured that we are monitoring the COVID-19 situation very closely and are prepared to meet the needs of the communities we serve.