Academic Health Centers Respond to COVID-19

University of Illinois at Chicago is participating in a national study to test Moderna’s potential mRNA vaccine against SARS-CoV-2. The university is enrolling 1,000 people to start the trial, hoping the potential vaccine shows patients have a lower risk of getting sick and, for those who become ill, better health outcomes.

Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis developed a COVID-19 saliva test with faster results than nasal swabs and enables screening on a massive scale. The method is cheaper to produce and results from the test are available in a few hours.

Morehouse School of Medicine received a $40 million grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to fight COVID-19 in racially-diverse, rural, and socially vulnerable communities. The three-year project will partner with community organizations to deliver education and resources for fighting the pandemic.

Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences created an educational video series that provides critical information on ventilator usage and novel modes. Aimed at helping non-intensivist clinicians respond to critically ill COVID-19 patients, the videos provide a valuable resource for healthcare professionals.

VACCINE

University of Illinois at Chicago
https://today.uic.edu/uic-vaccine-study-opens-today

TESTING

Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis

COMMUNITY

Morehouse School of Medicine
https://www.ajc.com/news/local-education/morehouse-school-medicine-gets-million-grant-fight-covid/XDNYgPiYYzTce85ELeNyH/

TRAINING

Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences