Academic Health Centers Respond to COVID-19

**University of British Columbia - Canada** is connecting patients with their loved ones by utilizing iPads on wheels. Patients use the iPad-stands to video chat with their friends and family, alleviating loneliness and boredom that result from isolation and quarantine. [https://news.ubc.ca/2020/05/04/making-a-difference-ipads-on-wheels-connects-hospitalized-covid-19-patients-with-loved-ones/](https://news.ubc.ca/2020/05/04/making-a-difference-ipads-on-wheels-connects-hospitalized-covid-19-patients-with-loved-ones/)

**American University of Beirut Medical Center - Lebanon** is setting up a Corona Response Fund through the newly established Pandemic Evaluation Clinic and Center (PECC). Contributions will support ongoing operations and help purchase medical equipment, PPE, and testing kits. [http://aubmc.org.lb/COVID-19/Pages/fund.html](http://aubmc.org.lb/COVID-19/Pages/fund.html)

**Universitas Airlangga - Indonesia** is providing internet data up to 15GB through subsidies for students during the pandemic. 28,000 students are receiving funds to ensure online studies can resume. Six service providers are being utilized for maximum coverage. [http://news.unair.ac.id/en/2020/05/12/unair-provides-internet-data-up-to-15gb-to-students-during-pandemic/](http://news.unair.ac.id/en/2020/05/12/unair-provides-internet-data-up-to-15gb-to-students-during-pandemic/)

**Brisbane Diamantina Health Partners - Australia** is hosting periodic roundtable discussions that dive into research and COVID-19 impact. The discussions cover topics such as mental health wellbeing and establishing behavioral programs to avoid mass sick leave usage. [https://brisbanediamantina.com/covid-19/roundtable-discussions/](https://brisbanediamantina.com/covid-19/roundtable-discussions/)