

We Are Caring for Our Community through the COVID-19 Crisis

Our union is our strength and our contract is our voice to address the safety and staffing concerns we are experiencing at Auburn Medical Center .

Last week, our Labor Management team met with management to address our concerns and work to find solutions. We are committed to providing the highest quality of care our patients need. We shared our concerns regarding recent changes to work assignment and duties, and access to personal protective equipment.

- In the nutrition department, we are taking the necessary steps to keep our hospital and patients healthy. We are getting our temperature tested when we arrive to work daily, but to properly ensure a safe workplace, we need the right fit for masks and safety training that will help us stay healthy and protect ourselves and our families at home. It is essential that we have masks in all sizes, and a one-size-fits-all policy is unsafe.
- N95 fit test training is necessary for those of us working in COVID-19 departments to stay safe. We want COVID-19 departments to secure fit testing and training on mask usage.

List of LMC members:

Raymond Fugate, ED
Allan Culp, EVS
Caroline Bellinger, Behavioral Health LPN
Brandy Carner, Nutrition Services
Joel Le Bon, Med/Surg



“We have been communicating with management in regards to COVID-19, staffing issues and mask protocols. There has been lots of changes and reorganizing in the work around the pandemic. It is important that we remember that we are in this together and we also have a responsibility to

make aware the Labor Management Committee or a member of the committee about departmental problems. MAMC workers are united for our patients, our families, and our community in the time of the COVID-19 pandemic”.

Raymond Fugate, ER Tech , ER

Next steps

- Talk to you Labor Management Committee if you have any immediate concerns.
- Our next LMC meeting is in July.

COVID-19 MEMBER HOTLINE

If you are a member of SEIU Healthcare 1199NW and want to report an incident at your facility related to COVID-19, have concerns about your safety in the workplace or questions about the impact of COVID-19 on your work, please call our COVID-19 member hotline.

(866) 977-0247

TOWNHALL

We held our second union wide tele town hall where we heard from Washington Gov. Jay Inslee; Secretary of Health John Weisman; and Vice Admiral Raquel Bono, director for the state’s COVID-19 Health System Response Management. Listen to the recording of the call at 1199nwcovidresponse.org.