

# Banner Health's chief clinical officer to provide COVID-19 update for media at a virtual press conference

**Banner's top clinical leader Dr. Marjorie Bessel available for media questions**

**WHAT:** COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations in the United States continue to rise. Banner Health's Chief Clinical Officer [Dr. Marjorie Bessel](#) will provide an update from Banner Health and answer media questions related to COVID-19.

**WHEN:** Friday, **December 18, 10-11 am MST** - [Join press conference](#)

**WHERE:** This will be a virtual press conference held as a live event on Microsoft Teams. Attendees can access the press conference via [this link](#). **Please do not publish the link. This event is not open to the public and should only be attended by members of the media.**

You do not need to download the Microsoft Teams app, just select the option to join through your web browser when you are logging into the live event.

## TOPICS:

- COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations
- Update on COVID-19 vaccine
- What the community can do to curb this trend

**NOTES:** A high-resolution version of the full press conference video and a transcript will be available on [Banner Health's newsroom](#) two hours after the press conference.

Please ask your questions at any time during the press conference by typing them into the chat box to the right of your screen. If you do not see the chat box, look for the Q&A icon in the top right navigation bar and click on it to open the dialogue box. Include your name and media outlet when posting a question.



Please keep in mind that there is about a 45 second delay in the live feed. For this reason, follow-ups to your original questions may be answered out of sequence and questions that are posted toward the end of the press conference may not be asked if they were posted after the live broadcast has concluded. We will be sure to follow up directly if there are any questions that we were unable to answer during the virtual press conference.

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