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## MEMBER CONNECTIONS

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### Donated PPE Available

Does your practice need PPE? A group of [Kansas City volunteers called PPE for Docs](#) is offering free PPE to medical professionals. They describe themselves as a "group of Makers in Kansas City and the surrounding metro in helping to print and provide PPE for medical professionals. We are a Voluntary association and not a non-profit org. We do NOT get paid for our efforts and do NOT charge for the equipment we are providing. We operate using personal funds and donations provided by the public." Sign up at [contact.ppeforkc.com](http://contact.ppeforkc.com) to request a donation. Learn more about PPE for Docs in [this feature from KSHB-TV 41](#).

### AMA Guidance for Retired Physicians on Serving in COVID-19

The American Medical Association has prepared a [selection of resources](#) to provide guidance to senior and retired physicians who may wish to return to work or are called upon to do so during the COVID-19 outbreak. Topics covered include license considerations, alternatives to direct patient care, re-entering practice, professional liability and more. [View the guide](#).



### Ramadan Fasting Begins April 23; Useful Links for Physicians

The evening of next Thursday, April 23, marks the start of the observance of Ramadan among members of the Islamic faith. A major feature of Ramadan is 30 days of fasting, which can be a concern for patients with such conditions as diabetes or who are pregnant or breastfeeding. Hareesh Gadde, DO, clinical assistant professor in the UMKC Department of Community and Family Medicine Department, offers several website links with useful information to advise physicians on consulting patients about nutrition during Ramadan:

- [Diabetes and Ramadan: Practical Guidelines \(Science Direct\)](#)
- [Diabetes and Ramadan \(International Diabetes Federation\)](#)
- [Ramadan Nutrition Plan \(Diabetes and Ramadan International Alliance\)](#)
- [Impact of COVID-19 on Ramadan \(Middle East Eye\)](#)

### “Dr. Big Sister” Offers COVID-19 Advice Everyone Should Follow

“Stay home!” “No hugs!” Those are among the directives of “Dr. Big Sister,” aka 3-year-old Hannah Curtis of Edgerton. [A video of Dr. Big Sister giving her directives](#) at a White House press conference has received almost 90,000 views on YouTube in less than a week. After it was posted on the KCMS Facebook

page last Saturday, it appeared on the Kansas Department of Health and Environment Facebook page, and was [featured on KCTV-5](#). Hannah is the daughter of Mike Curtis, who produces video and photography for the Medical Society.



## International Mission Training Available Online June 12



Do you serve on international medical missions or would like to serve on one? INMED, the outstanding Kansas City-based organization that trains health care professionals worldwide for medical missions, has changed its 2020 annual conference to a virtual format. The 15th annual INMED [Humanitarian Health Conference](#) will be held online on Friday, June 12, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Besides preparing for a variety of issues faced in international service, the conference also will explore topics related to the handling of COVID-19 internationally. Cost for the conference is just \$29, and sessions can be viewed until June 21. Up to eight hours of continuing medical education is available. [Information and registration.](#)

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