# COVID UNPLUGGED JULY 2020: NEW DEVELOPMENTS AND CLIFFHANGERS

How infectious are persistent PCR positives?

Does it depend on symptom severity?

What determines immunity?
(Antibodies? T cell response? Both?)

How long does immunity last, and do antibody levels rise after rechallenge?

What is the role of promoting/mandating COVID-19 testing before visits?

Which visits and how often?



Constant Vigilance (pretest probability changes)

Staff Compartmentalization (portal of entry: a/pre/oligo-symptomatic staff)

Flexible Balance of COVID/Standard Space (at every point in the care continuum)

## COVID UNPLUGGED JULY 2020: READYING FOR THE FUTURE

#### Promote Virtual Care

- Get veterans connected
- Build telehealth capabilities (VVC and phone)

### Establish Perimeter Services

- COVID testing
- Phlebotomy
- Vaccination
- Urgent Care

#### Staff Hardening

- Telework
- Virtual meetings
- Succession planning









SUMMERTIME WORK-LIFE BALANCE