

# "How can hospital better respond to the next surge event?"

The novel COVID-19 pandemic has significantly impacted the global healthcare systems. This has led to the Incident Commanders having to make decisions such as opening and closing wards, changing screening protocols, using temporary treatment spaces, reducing elective procedures, etc.

We are reaching out to you to contribute to future research by helping us understand decisions that different hospitals across Nebraska made during this surge event.

This study will benefit the healthcare sector and society as it will give insight into the various decisions taken during this pandemic and help to better prepare and respond in the event of a future pandemic.

The project has been approved by the Institutional Review Board with IRB Number: 20220721588EP. All data and records generated during this study will be kept confidential in accordance with IRB policies. Any information generated from this research will be reported in an aggregate and individual de-identified format.



### Our goal

Our goal is to understand how the hospital pandemic response decisions impacted operations, how layout changes impacted operations, and how data from this work can be used in novel operational models.

#### Are you eligible?

- Did you make decisions or have direct knowledge about the decisions that were made for your hospital operations during surge events?
- 19 years old and above
- No discrimination based on color/sex/race

#### **Duration**

The research interview will take about sixty minutes of your time.

### Compensation

\$50 gift card per interviewee

#### Why participate?

Help us understand hospitals' responses to future pandemics.

## If you have any questions or you are interested, call or email the **Principal Investigator:**

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