

# Banner Health's chief clinical officer available to speak with media about COVID-19

**Dr. Marjorie Bessel is leading Banner's COVID-19 system preparedness efforts**

*WHAT:* Banner Health's Chief Clinical Officer [Dr. Marjorie Bessel](#) will be available to answer media inquiries about COVID-19 and Banner's preparedness efforts.

*WHEN:* Monday, March 16, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

*WHERE:* Banner Corporate Center – Phoenix Plaza, 2901 N. Central Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85012

Park on Level 1 or 2 of the Phoenix Plaza parking garage. Do not park in reserved spaces. Parking tickets will be validated.

The entrances to the parking structure are located on the west side of 2nd St., between Thomas Rd. and Catalina Dr., and on the south side of Catalina Dr., between Central Ave. and 2nd St. The clearance bar at the entrance to the garage allows for a maximum vehicle height of 6'10". **If you are arriving in a live truck, please call or email our media team in advance so that we can arrange outdoor parking for you.**

Please wait in the main lobby of the 2901 building upon your arrival. A member of our media team will come down to escort you to the room.

*TOPICS:*

- General COVID-19 information
- What Banner has done to prepare for COVID-19 patients
- COVID-19 testing process at Banner facilities
- Workplace changes and resources for team members

*NOTES:* This event is not open to the public.

The health and safety of our workforce is a top priority for Banner. This press event will be held at our corporate headquarters where we have employees actively working. **We ask that you not attend this media event if you feel unwell, if you are experiencing symptoms of respiratory illness (fever, cough, shortness of breath) or have had recent contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.** Thank you for respecting this request.

[VIDEO OF NEWS CONFERENCE](#)

For further information: [media@bannerhealth.com](mailto:media@bannerhealth.com) or 602-747-3080

 [News Conference Transcript](#)

A full transcription of the news conference held by Marjorie Bessel, MD, chief clinical officer of Banner Health. (82 KB)

 [Marjorie Bessel, MD](#)

Banner Health Chief Clinical Officer (8.8 MB)

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