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City of Shreveport to host COVID-19 Symposium

Learning from the Pandemic – COVID-19: What's next?

The City of Shreveport, Louisiana Department of Health, and LSU Health Shreveport are bringing together a group of physicians from diverse fields to discuss the impact COVID-19 has had on our community. The panelists will share how COVID-19 continues to have an effect on Shreveport's population. The symposium will be held at 6 p.m., Thursday, April 14, inside the Independence Stadium Skybox.

Local health experts will provide insight on how to remain prepared and can answer questions.

- Lawrence Counts, MD, MBA, CPE
Chief Medical Officer
David Raines Community Health Center
- James C. Patterson II, MD, PhD
Professor and Chair – Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine
Clinical Director – Louisiana Addiction Research Center
CHRISTUS Schumpert Chair of Neurobiology
LSU Health Shreveport
Chief Medical Officer – Louisiana Behavioral Health
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- John A. Vanchiere, MD, PhD, FAAP
Medical Director, Clinical Trials Office
Associate Director, Center of Excellence for Emerging Viral Threats
Vice-Chair for Pediatric Research
Chief, Pediatric Infectious Diseases
Director, Children's Clinical Research Center
LSU Health Shreveport

This will be a hybrid event with both virtual and in-person attendance options and will be streaming on Mayor Adrian Perkins' Facebook page.

COVID-19 testing and first and second-dose vaccinations and booster shots will be available from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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