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In this COVID-19 Alert, one of our **community care nurse** heroes fighting COVID-19 one home visit at a time, the city's new **Test and Trace Corps**, a special Mother's Day surprise from Whoopi Goldberg to health care workers at NYC Health + Hospitals/Lincoln.

### Hero of the Day: Community Care Nurse Focused on Safety and Human Interaction

Like most of our home care nurses, Man-Hong Wan, RN, of NYC Health + Hospitals/Community Care team, is constantly assessing and screening patients by phone for COVID-19, while still making house visits. "I find myself spending more time with patients because they are lonelier since no one else can visit," he says. "They need human interaction. Without that, it affects their emotional health and mental state." [View his Health Care Hero profile on the Insider.](#)



## City Announces New Test, Trace and Treat Program

Mayor de Blasio is turning to the NYC Health + Hospitals, in collaboration with the city's health department, to run the newly formed "Test and Trace Corps" to suppress the spread of COVID-19, building on the city's commitment to prevent infections when social distancing adjusts, and New York City re-opens. NYC Health + Hospitals will hire and deploy 1,000 contact tracers to investigate cases, trace and monitor contacts, and manage all case data and inquiries by end of May. More than 2,500 contact tracers are expected to be hired by June. [Click here to view the Mayor's announcement.](#) [Click here to apply for those jobs.](#)

## A Mother's Day Surprise



Mothers at NYC Health + Hospitals/Lincoln in the Bronx get a surprise on "The View" from Whoopi Goldberg and Jimmy Buffet just in time for Mother's Day. [Click Here to view the special segment.](#)

## In the News

- [Driving Forces on WBAI-AM](#) - An interview with Dr. Mitchell Katz
- [NY Daily News](#) - De Blasio creates coronavirus 'Test and Trace Corps' with NYC public hospital system leading the initiative
- [Becker's Hospital Review](#) - Finishing the Marathon: NYC Health + Hospitals Chief Nurse Executive Offers Advice
- [NY Post](#) - NYC health care workers catch coronavirus at below-average rate: Gov. Cuomo

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### Other resources:

[Health Care Heroes page](#)

[Evidence Digest](#)

[NYC Health + Hospitals COVID-19 Guidance & Resources](#)

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