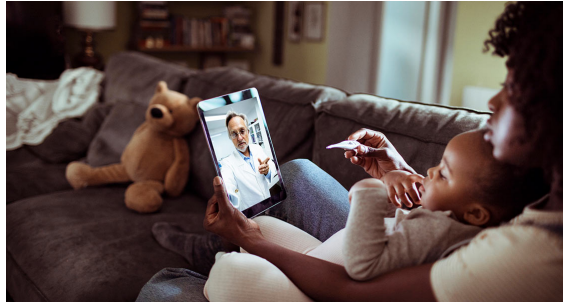


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Expanding TeleOB and Developing Protocols as Our Patients Face the Pandemic

At the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, our teams of specialists provide exceptional care to women from across a five-state region. We take a multidisciplinary, patient-centered approach, and never more so than during this COVID-19 pandemic.

This year, we've expanded our telehealth services to ensure patients continue to get the care they need. We've published guidelines for essential and urgent women's healthcare, and our research labs are working to understand how the virus impacts the health of pregnant women and their newborns.

Our department is growing, and this fall we're happy to welcome Dr. Ginny Ryan, our new division chief for reproductive endocrinology and infertility. Below we share some highlights across our research and clinical teams.

Barbara A. Goff, MD
 Professor and Chair, Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology
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Study Shows Women in the 3rd Trimester Face Risks with a COVID-19 Diagnosis

Dr. Kristina Adams Waldorf led the first study published by the Washington State COVID-19 in Pregnancy Collaborative, a group of obstetricians across hospital systems that facilitate 40% of births in Washington. Focus included third trimester risk factors such as COVID-19 pneumonia.

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TeleOB Program Triples in Size

UW Medicine has seen an enormous spike in telehealth visits brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, and Dr. Sue Moreni explains what makes the TeleOB program work for patients.

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RESEARCH AND NEWS

- Drs. Leah Savitsky and Catherine Albright developed a model: "Preventing COVID-19 Transmission on Labor and Delivery: A Decision Analysis" in the American Journal of Perinatology. [Read more](#)
- Dr. Kemi Doll et al published "Promoting Health Equity in the Era of COVID-19" in Gynecologic Oncology. [Read more](#)
- Dr. Shani Delaney authored "A Local Crash Course in Global Pandemics" in Obstetrics & Gynecology. [Read more](#)
- Dr. Alisa Kachikis et al published "Low Prevalence of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 Among Pregnant and Postpartum Patients with Universal Screening in Seattle, Washington" in Clinical Infectious Diseases. [Read more](#)
- Dr. Barbara Goff et al published "When to Operate, Hesitate and Reintegrate: Society of Gynecologic Oncology Surgical Considerations During the COVID-19 Pandemic" in Gynecologic Oncology. [Read more](#)
- Dr. Susan Reed discussed the efficacy of nonhormonal options at the North American Menopause Society's annual meeting. [See more](#)

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