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Dr. Babar Encourages All to Receive COVID Vaccine

In a new opinion article published in the Courier-Journal, Dr. Muhammad Babar encourages all to receive the COVID-19 vaccine as soon as they are able.

"Louisville doctor: Getting the COVID-19 vaccine is our moral and ethical duty" is a great read, and a necessary one, as uncertainty persists about the vaccine.

"The vaccine is safe, effective and the epitome of medical science. It is a success story of human determination, that we can achieve

anything and everything in a short time with our talents and resources," Dr. Babar explains, providing several examples of the necessity this vaccine truly is. We thank him for speaking up in the defense of science and humanity.

[Please visit the Courier-Journal's website to read the full article.](#)

Following his vaccination, Dr. Babar shared how the experience has gone so far in an interview with Wave3 News.

[Watch Dr. Babar's testimonial here!](#)

DHC and APPNA Deliver Holiday Gift Cards to Schools

DHC and APPNA worked tirelessly in the weeks before Christmas to deliver holiday gift cards and supplies to families across Louisville.

In collaboration with Jefferson County Public Schools, hundreds, if not thousands, of Louisville residents were provided with relief from lack of food or supplies in the Christmas season. Please click the links below to read about distribution at the following schools:



DHC Available to Families Via JCPS 360

In October 2020, we reported that DHC would provide check-ups for students at the JCPS 360° Center. We're proud to report these have been a great success!

This student and family support center is located at 101 E. Main St. in downtown Louisville. Services include:

- Special education screenings
- "Parent Portal" support
- Enrollment and school choice information and help
- Language translation services
- IT support with computers, education and digital platforms
- Access to Louisville Metro Office of Resilience and Community Services
- Physicals, vision and hearing screenings from Doctors for Healthy Communities' volunteers
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The JCPS 360° Student & Family Support Center is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



[Email the center for more info.](#)

[To see the center in action, watch a recent tour on Youtube.](#)



Kalia's Kloset and DHC Give Supplies to Children at Norton's

Kalia's Kloset donated school supplies, crafts, toys, games and art supplies to the Child Life Team at Norton Children's Hospital on December 16th, 2020. Doctors for Healthy Communities (DHC) is proud to support Kalia to bring joy to the lives of children.

"Cram the Cruiser"

On behalf of Doctors for Healthy Communities (DHC) and Association of Physicians of Pakistani descent of North America (APPNA), volunteers delivered unwrapped toys to the University of Kentucky Police Department (UKPD) drive to "Cram the Cruiser" during this holiday season on December 8th, 2020. This is UKPD's fourth annual toy drive for UK HealthCare's Kentucky Children's Hospital (KCH).



UK Police Chief Joe Monroe said "This has been a tough year for everyone, and being involved in our community to help kids in the hospital who are away from their homes is something everyone at UKPD holds close to our hearts. The Cram the Cruiser event is a tradition for our department, and we invite the UK and Lexington communities to help make this year the most exciting one yet for the kids at KCH and their families."

DHC and APPNA are proud and humbled to be part of "Cram the Cruiser" initiative by UKPD to bring smiles to kids at KCH and their families.

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