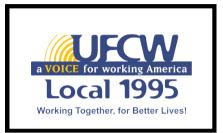


## **Community Partner Highlight**



During the pandemic, essential workers risked their lives to ensure that our community had access to the things we needed, and it was important to the VIEW leadership that they be represented in the study. Rick Majors, Secretary-Treasurer, UFCW Local 1995, "Our members deserve to be recognized for their contributions during the COVID pandemic. While most of our country shut down during the height of the pandemic, our members in grocery stores, meat packing and healthcare continued working on the front lines. We all owe a debt of gratitude and respect to them for their contributions in keeping our nation fed and well."

Thanks to UFCW outreach staff we were able to share information with over 1,000's of members across middle Tennessee in a wide variety of industries.

Thank you UFCW Local for all you do for our community!



## **Study Team Highlights**





Blare

Gabby

Please join us as we give a shout out to two of our fabulous VIEW team members. While both Blare and Gabby started as Community Outreach workers, they transitioned to Study Coordinators to help with participant communication and support.

Blare has her Masters in Public Health and has put those skills to work making sure we stay on top of all your study needs. Blare plans to attend medical school soon and we know she will be an amazing physician.

Gabby has her Bachelors in Science and her bilingual skills have greatly contributed to the VIEW teams ability to serve our Spanish speaking community. Her help with translation reviews, participant calls and monitoring keep us on track and has already resulted in a promotion!

You may hear Blare and Gabby's voice on the other line with gentle reminders to submit your weekly surveys and weekly nasal swabs and now you know a little more about them.

We are so lucky to have them on our team!

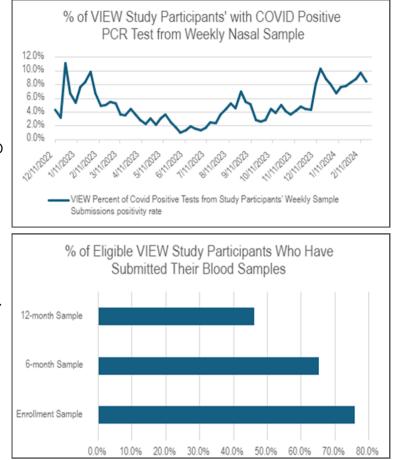
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## **Study Updates**

As the season begins to come to a close, you may be wondering what trends the study team has seen as your weekly nasal swabs were processed. While the team is unable to return individual test results, we can share with you the COVID positivity rate over the course of the study.

While your swab samples help track COVID positivity rates, your blood samples help the study team test for COVID antibodies that might be present. Compensation is provided for each sample that you submit. Here's a quick look at our current submission rate. Did you miss your blood sample? Reach out to us and we can help!



#### Have a vacation coming up?

You can still submit your surveys and swabs from anywhere in the continental United States. If you need to pause your participation while on your trip, simply call or email the study team at 615-875-1385 or viewstudy@vumc.org

# COVID UPDATES

Get the latest information on COVID tests and testing sites by visiting: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/testing.html. The site keeps up-to-date information on what kinds of tests are available, which test you should take, and when you should be tested.

The Home Test to Treat program, at www.testtotreat.org, provides access to free COVID-19 and flu telehealth visits and treatment for anyone who tests positive for either condition. Treatment can be shipped to you or picked up at a local pharmacy at no cost for those eligible.. Regardless of insurance status, anyone with a current positive COVID-19 test may enroll for free telehealth treatment.

To learn more and register for this free program go to www.test2treat.org or call 1-800-682-2829. The program will sunset on April 16, 2024.