

# Good News

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## Organ transplant programs reach milestone amid pandemic

Though most elective surgeries were suspended when the pandemic began, URMIC surgeons have performed a number of organ transplant procedures during that time, including a **milestone 1,800th liver transplant**. "Patients on waiting lists for organ donation don't have the luxury of time," says Sunil Prasad, MD.

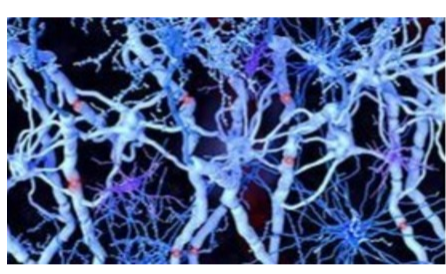
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## URMIC telehealth appointments skyrocket during pandemic

Since April, telehealth appointments have gone from about 200 visits per day to 2,000 a day at the University of Rochester Medical Center. "I think we're just beginning to scratch the surface of what's possible," says Ray Dorsey, the David M. Levy Professor in Neurology and the director of the Center for Health + Technology.

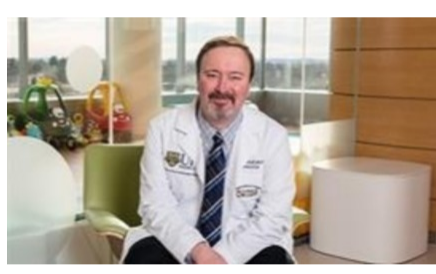
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## Transplanted human-to-animal brain cells can repair MS damage

A new study, based on 15 years of research at the University of Rochester Medical Center, is offering progress towards a potential treatment for multiple sclerosis patients.

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## A tale of two doctors and one groundbreaking cancer treatment

"Being able to participate in this study helped to advance science, and for me, it also saved my life," said Patrick Brophy, MD, physician-in-chief at Golisano Children's Hospital.

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## Coronavirus research at URMIC

Thursday, June 4, noon—1 p.m.  
URMIC clinicians and scientists are at the forefront of the response to the pandemic. Learn about our newly-created Center for

Coronavirus Research and hear directly from leading researchers who are uncovering new ways to diagnose, treat, and even prevent COVID-19.

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## A Virtual Discovery Ball

Saturday, June 20, 6—7 p.m.

Alongside host **Adam Chodak**, hear the stories of families whose lives have been changed because of doctors, nurses, and researchers at Wilmot; learn about the latest Wilmot advances from **Jonathan Friedberg, MD, MMSc**, director of the Wilmot Cancer Institute; and enjoy a special musical performance from **Elvio Fernandes**.



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## Social media spotlight



Wilmot Cancer Institute  
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Some of our cancer research labs reopened today! They are taking steps to remain safe, such as wearing PPE, staying 6 feet (or more) apart, and working in shifts to reduce the number of people here at one time.

We are glad to have them continuing the important lab work they do toward finding better ways to treat cancer!



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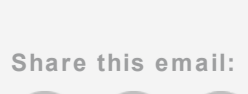
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