

## Soundbite Script – Celebrate the Holidays Safely

**Liz Levi, director of quality and patient safety, Northern Region, OSF HealthCare**

“We want to do everything we can to keep our families safe and we may have to change the way we celebrate. But there’s a component that we need to keep as much of it as normal or the same as we can because of all the stress on families and kids. Any time you can continue a tradition you’ve done in the past, while doing it safely, I think that’s worth investing in.”

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“The biggest risk for kids visiting Santa this year is that we know Santa falls into that high risk category. We don’t know exactly how old Santa is but he’s certainly over 65 so he’s higher risk there, and we know he eats lots of cookies around Christmas time so that potentially puts him in some other high-risk categories. We want Santa to be safe.”

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"You can google how to send a letter to Santa and it will give you all the instructions on how to do that through the post office," said Liz Levi, director of quality and patient safety, Northern Region, OSF HealthCare. "You can also send a letter to Santa Claus, Indiana. They have a whole volunteer team and they'll send a response back. In addition to letter writing there are a number of online sites where you can do an email letter to Santa, sometimes a phone call or virtual chat with Santa. So there's a number of ways to engage with Santa or Santa's helpers this year if you don't go to the mall."

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“The hardest thing about celebrating Christmas this year will be the fact that we can’t be with all of our friends and family members. It’s important to look at it as a sacrifice this year for the ability to all be together in the future.”