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SELF-QUARANTINE IN NEW YORK

Anthony Barisano, ScB’23, MD’27, (above) a student in the Brown University Program in Liberal Medical Education, who contributed a commentary in this month’s edition of RIMJ, pauses from his remote studies to read the Journal during self-quarantine in Nassau County, New York.

Alex Han, BA, MD’21, (left) a student at the Alpert Medical School, read some recent issues of RIMJ in New York while in self-quarantine due to COVID-19. He has contributed to the current issue of RIMJ’s special section on Pain Management in Rehabilitation.
In response to a recent call by the Rhode Island Blood Center (RIBC) for healthy blood and platelet donors to help strengthen the region’s blood supply, RIMJ Graphic Designer Marianne Migliori answered the call to donate in April.

Fifty percent of blood donations in our region comes from blood drives that are hosted by schools, organizations and businesses. As these groups began to take precautions in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak and cancel mobile blood drives, RIBC moved its operations to the six donor centers where they can control the environment and flow of donors.

“Every donation at every one of our centers is critical,” said Beau Tompkins, Senior Executive Director of RIBC. “As healthy, eligible donors, we have a responsibility to ourselves, our families and our communities to keep the blood supply safe and robust. A resilient healthcare system is more important than ever, and we’re counting on everyone to help maintain that.”

RIBC is seeking to double the blood reserves now so that it can prevent shortages if coronavirus cancellations continue.

RIBC provides life-saving blood to nearly every hospital in Rhode Island and many hospitals throughout New England and is responsible for ensuring that our region has a safe and reliable blood supply. It only takes one hour to donate, and a single donation can be used to save multiple lives. About one in seven hospital admissions requires a blood transfusion, and nearly 250 donations are needed each day to meet the needs of the hospitals and patients RIBC serves.