



School of Health Technology and Management Alumni

Dear alumni and friends,

I hope this email finds you well, and that you and yours are safe and healthy.

During these times, it is important to keep you informed of what we're doing as a School to continue to support our students as they navigate through the uncertainties we've faced over the last few months. We have successfully transitioned over to remote learning, and our students are faring well. We've offered various resources, both academic and personal, to ensure our students meet their goal to finish out this semester strong. We're here working hard to move our initiatives forward, including our focus on interprofessional health care, telehealth and telemedicine, and integrating technology into our curricula by seeking out the best simulation software platforms available.

We've learned a lot as we face the challenges of COVID-19. We are a strong, resilient population of health care workers and educators, health care students, and a School with a wide-casted net of support. We work daily to keep our curricula and learning objectives clear and seamless so the transition to remote learning enhances, not hinders, our students' learning experience.

My wish today is that you, as alumni of the School of Health Technology and Management, can offer your support to our students at this time. More than ever, we want to provide them with assistance to reach their educational goals. As alumni, there are many ways you can help.

Clinical Placements: At the onset of COVID-19, we were concerned about the loss of clinical placements for our students. This soon came to fruition. Our School's Directors of Clinical Education meet regularly to navigate these waters, searching for opportunities and ways for our students to meet their clinical placement requirements. As alumni in the health care field, we call upon you in the hopes that you might be able to provide clinical placements to our students. If this is possible, please contact me directly at stacy.jaffee@stonybrook.edu.

Stony Brook University Emergency Student Support Fund: Our students have most certainly felt the impact of the COVID-19 crisis. We want to support them in any way we can, whether it's helping with technology-based needs such as laptops for remote learning, or offering financial assistance to those in need of food and housing. Please consider a donation to the Stony Brook University Emergency Student Support fund. Your contribution will provide the assistance our students need during this crisis.

As alumni, you are invaluable to our students. You've paved the way for them and are inspirations of success in the health care field. My hope is that you can continue to be a part of the School of Health Technology and Management, offering assistance to our students as they continue their education with the goal of being the next generation of outstanding health care professionals.

Best wishes for continued health and safety.

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