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Dear HESNI Colleagues,

As all of us go through these unprecedented times I wanted to reach out to offer a few words of encouragement. If you don't mind let step aside and correlate this like a game of Tetris. For those who have played the game, you know that you have different shape boxes continuously falling that you must align and place in a format that fits. As the game continues the boxes come quicker until you either win and move to the next level or in my case often lose. I look at the falling boxes and feel like they represent information and changes in today's healthcare environment. As you figure out how to place one box of information another is falling, and the boxes of information continue to come quicker and quicker. The difference between the game and what we're faced with in Healthcare is that we plan and prepare for these times. I have the confidence that all of our Healthcare systems are resilient and that we will eventually make it through to tell our stories.

I would like to ask our HESNI community at this moment of time that we don't forget about our peers (each other). Please reach out to one other if nothing more than to do a wellbeing check on each other. I have had a few conversations with some of you and there continues to be so much to be learned either by best practice or lesson learned. There's no way for us all to come together to talk about these concerns in the near future so I would encourage that you continue to lean individually on each other.

To our vendors that also support our community, I certainly want to thank all of you for your support during these times. As you have helped us in the past when times are challenging, we're certain that with your individual skillset you can and will help us with our current challenge.

Although we don't know when we will get together again, I truly look forward to connecting with each of you to share our stories and learn from each other (even if it is from 6 feet away).

Thank you and be safe,

**Kurt Martz, CHFM, CHSP**  
HESNI President