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# HEALTH SCIENCES

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## OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

### A Message from Chancellor Roth

Dear Colleagues:

As President Stokes announced in her message this morning, the university is moving to an online-only instructional format for the rest of the semester, in line with national efforts to slow the spread of the coronavirus by limiting in-person interactions. We have thankfully not seen a surge of new diagnoses in New Mexico, but we continue our planning to meet every eventuality.

As of this afternoon, 35 New Mexicans have tested positive for the coronavirus and nearly than 2,800 tests have been administered statewide. Here are the latest updates from throughout the Health Sciences Center:

- I would urge you to strongly consider donating blood. Blood banks nationwide are facing severe shortages, because the schools and businesses that usually host blood drives have closed – but the need for blood in hospitals continues. You can donate at the Vitalent blood collection facility, 1515 University Blvd. NE, without fear of coronavirus exposure. Call (877) 258-4825 for an appointment.
- The Health Sciences Library & Informatics Center (HSLIC) will be closing and moving its services entirely online, starting today. All of HSLIC's electronic resources, such as UpToDate, PubMed, Access Medicine, e-journals and e-books, will be available to the HSC community 24/7. Access to e-resources in UNM Hospitals and clinics will not change. Off-campus access will require authentication using your UNM or HSC Net ID. HSLIC will offer virtual services, including reference, instruction and literature searches. To access these services, submit a request via [Ask a Librarian \(reflib@salud.unm.edu\)](#), or call (505) 272-2311. Library staff will be available to answer your questions from 8 a.m.–5 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- Due to limited operations and reduced number of personnel on site, most HSC buildings are now badge or key entry access only. (A list of affected North

Campus buildings is at the bottom of this message.) Be sure to carry your HSC badge with you at all times. If you should accidentally be locked out of your building and do not have someone to call to let you in, please contact UNM Police at (505) 277-2241. You will need to greet any non-HSC guests at the point of entry into your building, as they will be unable to enter.

- Many of us rely on VPN and Citrix access as we work remotely during this period of limited operations. Although we have purchased additional VPN licenses, our capacity is still quite limited, so I would ask that everyone prioritize VPN use for clinical care. Your first choice for accessing the EHR remotely should be Citrix, which provides secure access to the vast majority of information usually needed by providers. VPN use should be reserved for those functions that can only be accessed by VPN, such as radiology records. As a reminder, whenever you access the EHR using VPN or Citrix, please log off when you are not actively using it, so as not to prevent others from signing on.

All of us – here in New Mexico and around the world – are dealing with massive disruptions in our daily routines, but we are adapting. I'm grateful for your steadfast dedication to our task of supporting the health and well-being of our friends and neighbors.

Warm regards,



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Dean, UNM School of Medicine

**North Campus buildings with badge or key entry-only access:**

- Biomedical Research Facility (BRF)
- Clinical & Translational Science Center (CTSC)
- Fitz Hall (BMSB School of Medicine)
- Innovation, Discovery and Training Complex (IDTC)
- Health Sciences and Services Building (HSSB)
- Domenici Center for Health Sciences Education (all buildings)
- Research Incubator Building (RIB)
- Multidisciplinary Research Facility (MRF)
- SURGE Building

- Colleges of Pharmacy and Nursing