To Mathers Foundation grantees:

We hope you and your families are staying healthy during these uniquely challenging times.

The impacts of COVID-19 are a widespread disruption to almost every aspect of our lives, and we are sure that your research endeavors are no exception. We understand that social distancing, remote working, and campus closures have resulted in delays with the progress of your research. To mitigate the impact of laboratory shutdowns, we are offering the following accommodations:

- If you require a 3-month extension for your upcoming progress report, please email me, and we will be happy to accommodate.
 - o Please note that grant payments are still withheld until progress reports are received.
 - o If you prefer to submit it on the current due date but have it report on progress up until the shutdown (i.e., 9 months instead of 12), that is also acceptable.
- For grants nearing expiration, please contact us with the length of extension that you are seeking, and we will give it due consideration.

As a foundation dedicated to supporting the scientific community, we also may be interested in supporting specific research efforts concerning the coronavirus. LOIs can be submitted through the Portal, and the review process will be expedited.

If you have any other questions or extenuating circumstances that would require additional considerations, please contact us.

Best regards,

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