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Greetings staff and postdoctoral research fellows. I hope you are doing well! I have a few things I'd like to share to help support all of us during this unprecedented time.

As we are working remotely, you may have experienced increased internet costs in order to complete your duties at home. If this is true for you, Dean Dalton has authorized temporary stipends to help offset any additional internet costs due to working remotely during the COVID-19 pandemic that are over and above your normal internet bill (up to the University's tech tools all-inclusive cap, currently \$50/month: <http://finance.umich.edu/techtoolpolicy/faq>). If you would like to make a request for a temporary stipend, please complete the form at: <https://pharmacy.umich.edu/mycop/tech-tool-stipend-request-additional-internet-expenses-related-covid-19>, and send it to cop.finance@umich.edu with documentation of the cost differential. The U-M tech tools stipend policy is at: <https://spg.umich.edu/policy/514.04>.

Reminders and reiterations:

- 1) Today Jodie Dressler sent information about additional emergency pay options related to COVID-19. Our updated emergency pay request form is at: <https://pharmacy.umich.edu/mycop/covid-19-request-emergency-paid-time>.
- 2) If you are a U-M parking permit holder, your April and May parking fees will be suspended/refunded. You should have received an email from U-M Logistics, Transportation, and Parking with the details.
- 3) Our MHealthy Champion, Tina Mead, sent us the attached April Coping Calendar.
- 4) The Record had a comprehensive list of resources in today's issue: <https://record.umich.edu/articles/assistance-activities-and-ways-to-help-from-a-social-distance/>. It addresses everything from well-being—to working remotely—to retirement fund guidance, just to name a few topics.

Please let me know if you have questions or concerns about anything, or if you need help with something as we navigate these uncharted waters.

Keep in touch and be well!
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