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Greetings potential applicants to the University of New Mexico School of Medicine,

We understand the angst and stress the current situation must be putting on you as you pursue applying to the University of New Mexico (UNM) School of Medicine this year and in years to come. Please know that the UNM School of Medicine Committee on Admissions is acutely aware of this as well. Our Committee on Admissions practices a holistic application review process whereby they evaluate the complete applicant and all they can offer to medicine and their patients. The holistic review process affords the Committee on Admissions flexibility to respond to situations such as this. Although minimal standards for applying will remain unchanged, please be assured that circumstances which may have impacted your application (e.g. GPA, courses taken pass/fail or credit/no credit, interruption in clinical, volunteer or research experience, etc.) will be considered by the Committee through an understanding lens.

All interviews this season will be conducted virtually. Once your interviews are scheduled, we will be contacting you to test your internet connectivity. If you do not have adequate internet connectivity, we can arrange a safe location on the UNM Health Sciences campus for you to use for your interviews or work with you to find another location.

There are resources available on our website which include:

COVID Frequently asked Questions:

<https://hsc.unm.edu/school-of-medicine/education/md/admissions/covid-19-update.html>

Upcoming pre-med advisement sessions:

<https://hsc.unm.edu/school-of-medicine/education/md/admissions/advisement.html>

We are also available by phone to answer any questions:

<https://hsc.unm.edu/school-of-medicine/education/md/admissions/>

Looking forward to your application,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert E. Sapién'.

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