

## Working from Home Week 18

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Hello all!

Well in 8 short weeks we will have been working from home for a least ½ the year. I am not sure why I thought of that this week but I suddenly did. Yikes!

I know everyone is busy because mostly people have been leaving me alone. 😊

However, a few things of note:

- The RML team are laser focused on working on the competitive award for 2021-2026. I sit in on a lot of their meetings and have my own contributions to the project to take care of however I have been super impressed with the energy and good ideas.
- The teams of staff working on a reopening plan are working hard. They have been identifying issues of major concern and trying to lock down ideas to reopen the HS/HSL safely for our staff and our users. **I will stress again that there has been no date mentioned or set for reopening.** And we will most certainly have a staff meeting to discuss our progress. We have also been engaging with the tenants in our building, making sure they are in the loop as well.
- Thanks Christina for reminding us about the UMB walking challenge that begins on Monday. We have a team and I want us to kick butt and win. (Did I say that?) I will just remind all of you that our Informers softball team were champs many years ago. I am not competitive am I?
- I hope you are all paying attention to all the good stuff Christina shares about programs taking place across UMB.

You may not know this but J-P is going to be delivering a lecture as part of the Institute for Clinical and Translational Research at noon on August 11 entitled “**Getting Connected to your Data – A Reproducible Workflow for Data Wrangling**”. Maybe we’ll find out just what he does. I picture him roping bits and bytes of data while on a virtual horse. Maybe he will give the lecture while seated around a campfire? Here’s the Zoom info:

**Join Zoom Meeting:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84133652757?pwd=eldPcGpESkFGN2YvcIVMaXluYTFiQT09>

**Meeting ID:** 841 3365 2757

**Password:** 524814

- If you take a look at our website [www.hshsl.umaryland.edu](http://www.hshsl.umaryland.edu) you will see a new dashboard keeping track of our work statistics since we began working from home on March 14. The dashboard links to another page with ALL the stats.
- Finally, I hope you are planning on attending the staff meeting with our Diversity Task Force. Anna-Marie and Gail are the co-conveners. Members of the group include Amy, Christina, Steve, Na, Shanell, Jason, Tara, April, me and Corey, when he returns. You will be hearing from them.

Well this has gotten longer than I thought it would. Yesterday I went to Hillwood Mansion and Gardens so I will leave you with some photos from the gardens (the furthest I have gone from home in 18 weeks!). And of course, something humorous!



Stay safe and well!

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