Dear colleagues,

Please see below updates for the Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine research community on the response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Resumption of In-Person Research Activities**

The Office of Research is continuing to review new resumption requests as well as revisions to previously approved requests. Final formal approval is issued by the BU Office of Research. Please review the [Research Recovery Toolkit](#) for details on this process.

**2021 AADR Focused Symposium: COVID Transmission Control in the Dental Setting: An Interdisciplinary Approach, Wednesday, April 7, 2021, 4pm**

The 2021 AADR Focused Symposium webinar will focus on COVID transmission control in the dental setting. Topics covered will include Evidence to Support Safe Delivery of Care in Dental Settings, Viral Structure and Aerosol Generating Procedures, and Engineering Approach for Studying Aerosol Generation and Transmission During Dental Procedures.

Registration is free, but you must [register](#) to attend.

**Policy on University-Sponsored Travel for Summer 2021**

The restrictions to university-sponsored travel of faculty, staff, and students instituted in spring 2020 have been extended until August 20, 2021. Full details in the policy are available [here](#).

**Guidance on Vaccinated Research Groups**

The BU Office of Research has provided guidance on how vaccinations will affect BU’s COVID guidelines for research. For now there are no changes based on vaccination status. All lab groups should maintain social distancing practices, testing and screening, wearing masks, cleaning and disinfection protocols and adhering to the occupancy levels
set in their research recovery plan until further notice. Further information is available here.

**Funding Opportunities**

The [BU Research Support website](http://www.bu.edu/dental-research) includes links to COVID-19 research announcements, and this page is updated on a regular basis.

I encourage you to contact the GSDM Research office if you have questions or if there is any support that you need.

Best regards,
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