Welcome Back!

After two years of maximum telework, I am so pleased that most of our staff returned to the physical workspace this month. It has been wonderful to see so many of your faces on the NIH campus!

I know this will be an adjustment for all of us, and I sincerely appreciate your patience as we establish new routines--dusting off our commuting skills, navigating campus construction, and learning how to conduct hybrid meetings. As a reminder, I encourage you to check [coronavirus guidance for staff](https://employees.nih.gov/pages/coronavirus/index.aspx%22%20/t%20%22_blank%22%20/o%20%22https%3A/employees.nih.gov/pages/coronavirus/index.aspx) on the NIH intranet site for frequently updated information and talk to your supervisors and teams to explore HHS’s new [workplace flexibilities](https://hr.nih.gov/working-nih/workplace-flexibilities#:~:text=A%20flexible%20work%20arrangement%20where,or%20ad%20hoc%2Fsituational%20basis.).

I invite you to join me and the [NLM Future of Work Working Group](https://wiki.nlm.nih.gov/confluence/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=244190539) —as we reimagine what NLM will be like —not only this year, —but in the years to come. Share your ideas through the suggestion box and watch for a survey in your inbox soon.

 Dr. Patti Brennan

**Please click here to answer a few questions about the return to the physical workspace. (link to Return to Work poll)**