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Greetings ACERT Members!

I hope this letter finds you all safe and well at the start of this new semester and new year. I just wanted to send a message on behalf of the Board and Conference Manage Team to let you all know that we are still on for our face-to-face conference this year as planned and have no plans to cancel or go virtual. We know this is still a time of uncertainty, but the ACERT team and the staff of the Orleans will be taking all of the necessary precautions to keep everyone as safe as possible.

The state of Nevada has a mandatory public mask mandate unless you are actively eating, and ACERT will also be enforcing that mandate while on the conference floor. All attendees will be required to wear a mask at all times unless eating or presenting a lecture. We will be providing you with a mask and hand sanitizer in your swag bag when you check in, and we will also have disposable masks placed around the conference floor in case you need one. We will also be practicing social distancing as much as possible on the conference floor and in the lecture rooms.

Another step we are taking is to implement a COVID Comfort System. This will be a way for our attendees to communicate their comfort level with social interactions. Registrants will be able to choose a colored ribbon for their badge to make it easy for everyone to see. As a general guide here is what the colors will represent:

- **RED:** Wave Hello! No physical contact, please.
- **YELLOW:** Fist bumps and elbows. I will initiate physical contact beyond that.
- **GREEN:** Bring it in for a hug! I am comfortable with physical contact.

We ask that you please be respectful of everyone's personal space no matter their ribbon choice, and practice social distancing whenever possible. Please wash your hands often and use hand sanitizer regularly. If you are sick or exhibiting COVID symptoms, please do not come on the conference floor.

Please stay safe and well and travel safely! We look forward to seeing everyone in person February 9-11.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Dr. Jessyca Wagner, RT(R)".

Dr. Jessyca Wagner
ACERT President