

Top of Mind

THOUGHTS FROM THE CEO



Listen. Love. Repeat.

This, Then, Now.

June 10, 2020

It's June. Not the June I could have imagined in May. Not the May I could have imagined last year.

Across our country and in our own backyards, we are facing challenging times. Amidst the backdrop of COVID-19 and the stress of social distancing, we continue to mourn the loss of another Black life, George Floyd.

Over the past few weeks, the situation has come to a critical point. We are witnessing the sadness, despair, anger and division unfolding across our communities. These difficult events profoundly demonstrate that there's still much work to be done to unify our communities and find justice for all people.

In my 20-plus years in health care, I have seen for myself the disparities faced by communities of color. From lack of access to medical services to food insecurity, the residents of these communities are in a constant struggle to just survive.

So, when citizens like Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and George Floyd are senselessly killed, people become angry. That anger is all the more potent in the context of a pandemic.

As the health plan with the heart, we are compelled to have a voice and speak the truth. We have to stop in this moment, as painful as it is, to recognize and acknowledge that this is our world.

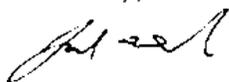
IEHP is adamantly against discrimination, racism and inequality. We are a voice that brings people together with shared empathy, humanity and courage. That starts by ensuring the work we do here continues to make a real difference.

By listening to our Team Members who are out in the community visiting our Members, I learn what they need in terms of care, support and education. By listening to you--our partners, I learn about opportunities for change and improvement.

This is a time for all of us to show, by our own actions, that we are committed to being part of the solution. Our country is at a crossroad.

It's time for all of us to help guide it onto a path of acceptance, equality and love for all.

Sincerely,



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COVID-19 Resources

- Our website shares local testing clinics available to Members and the community across San Bernardino County
- Many may be experiencing food insecurity during this time and we encourage those in need to use [211SB.org](https://www.211sb.org) to find local food assistance programs
- Our Chief Medical Officer, Dr.



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