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Dear IMIA members,

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve and represent you in this important role as your president. Transparency is very important to me and I will strive to keep you informed about the many projects we are working on.

Since I took office in January 1, 2019, I have been meeting with IMIA leadership, committee members, and members in general to discuss the diverse activities that they are engaged in and ways we can improve our services. Collecting this preliminary information has established the foundation of our 2019-2024 IMIA Strategic Plan.

Some other projects that we are working on include:

- Planning the next National IMIA Conference for 2020;
- Three "Regional Conferences" for 2019 to be held in Maryland, Orlando, Florida, and in Portland, Oregon; and
- The IMIA team is working on upgrading our website to make it more accessible and user-friendly. For more information about our activities please visit our website at <https://www.imiaweb.org/>.

As we move forward together, I welcome you to become more engage in our multiple committees, attend our training opportunities to gain CEUs towards your National Certification or recertification and be part of the IMIA family. For additional information, please contact Maria Baker, Outreach Coordinator at Outreach@imiaweb.org

As your president, I will work tirelessly to serve you, our members and stakeholders. I would like to invite you to reach out to me with any ideas or feedback. Feel free to email me at president@imiaweb.org. Don't forget that you can reach out on Facebook, Twitter (@IMIAUpdates) or LinkedIn too.

I look forward to working with you in the years to come.

Sincerely,

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