

Over the past few weeks, we've heard from member CEOs across the country. They've shared their candid perspectives, for example, that:

- “The actions we take now will define our organization’s future for the next 10 years.”
- “I’ve worked at my organization for over 20 years and think that COVID-19 will be the end of my career.”
- “We’ve been getting the (limited) results we’ve invested in our workforce. How do we change the paradigm?”
- “We’ve weathered the immediate crisis for now. What does the future look like?”
- “The job of the CEO has dramatically changed in the last four months. Where do we go from here?”

We will be launching our **CEO Summit Series 2020-2021** in a few weeks to strengthen, inspire and enrich CEOs. We won't be able to meet in person this year, but are designing a series of four virtual programs that will facilitate the close trusted relationships our CEOs gain when they come together in a high-trust environment with colleagues that you don't compete with. Colleagues who share your mission, your values, and your dedication and commitment to your teams and the people and communities you serve.

Mark your calendars for the first in the CEO Summit Series on September 24 on *Navigating Chaos: Leading Effectively Through Crises* with David Morey, Chairman and CEO of DMG Global, one of the leading strategic consultants and author of numerous books including *The Underdog Advantage* and *Creating Business Magic*. We'll also do a “Deep Dive” follow-up session for CEOs interested in additional coaching on October 1.

On November 10 we'll hold the second in the CEO Summit Series on **Smart Allies: Partnerships, Mergers and Acquisitions**. **Dr. Garth Graham**, President of the Aetna Foundation and VP for CVS Community Health and leading authority on health equity will share CVS/Aetna's approach to partnering with community-based organizations and their perspective on future directions in health and human services.

More to follow but plan now to engage with external thought leaders and colleagues who know what you're going through and who share your mission—which is what we all need now.

As a faith-based community, we know we're not alone as we're reminded in Psalm 139: “Whither shall I go from thy Spirit? Or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend to heaven, thou art there. If I make my bed in Sheol, thou art there. If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there thy hand shall lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me. If I say, “Let only darkness cover me, and the light about me be night,” even the darkness is not dark to thee, the night is bright as the day; for darkness is as light with thee.”

In gratitude for all that you do,



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