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Thanks, Tom. I totally agree with this approach. I have been trying to catch you by phone but have gotten a voicemail with a message that the mailbox is full. Do I have the correct number?  
Thanks, Tony

On Apr 17, 2020, at 11:00 AM, Thomas R. Frieden

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Tony,

Wishing you well. Wanted you to be aware that we're releasing a report at a media briefing this morning on how to "Box in COVID." This plan includes prioritized expansion of testing and building a corps of contact tracers in the US, using tried-and-true public health measures at scale. There are four essential actions to box in the virus: 1) Expand testing; 2) Isolate infected people to prevent spread; 3) Identify contacts who may have exposed; 4) Quarantine contacts. As you know, all four are crucial; if any one is lacking, the virus can escape and spread explosively again. Success requires a massive expansion of our public health capacity around the country and world.

The report is attached and can be downloaded [here](#). Please let me know how we can continue to be as supportive as possible.

All the best,

Tom

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