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Dear Nursing Colleague,

This May we celebrate all nurses! We also pay tribute to Mom's, and all the people who fill the mom role, by making us feel loved, valued, and safe. For us, there are distinct parallels between becoming a new parent and innovation.

Many parents talk about the surreal experience of walking out of a hospital with a newborn and thinking, "I have no idea how to do this." It is not uncommon to have this same sentiment when beginning a new initiative or acting on a new idea - it can feel exciting, special, and even fragile. Forging a new path requires you to trust in yourself, master new skills, and navigate new environments to move the work forward.

Nursing and parenting are similar because you make things work, with what you have, and in real time! Unconventional or quirky ideas, often the best, can lead to unique solutions. Do not underestimate the creativity, brilliance, and value of your ideas. This month we honor you and all the ways you make the nursing profession better.

Thank you for being gutsy,
Ori + Lois



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Episode 31: Black Midwives & Mamas Matter

Black mothers die at three to four times the rate of white mothers. Black infants die at a higher rate than any other ethnic group in the United States. Regardless of income and education level, childbirth for Black women is more dangerous than it is for White women. In this episode, we explore why these disparities are so stark – hearing from three health care innovators (Jennie Joseph, Joia Crear-Perry, MD, and Monica McLemore) working to advance policy grounded in human rights and reproductive justice to improve Black maternal health and lives.

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Episode 45: Season 4: It's a Wrap

This is the final episode of Season 4 for the *See You Now* podcast. Take a listen as all season 4 episodes are reviewed. If you have story ideas, or nurses we should meet, please share via email at [\[email protected\]](#). Season 5 launches soon!

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"Never be limited by other people's limited imagination." - Mae Jamison

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