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American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses

ASPAN 2020 National Conference Canceled

The American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses (ASPAN) has the responsibility for ensuring the safety of nurses in perianesthesia practice. As a result, we regret to inform you that ASPAN's 2020 National Conference is canceled.

Frequently Asked Questions

Why did you cancel the National Conference?

The Board continued to follow updates from the World Health Organization (WHO), Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and state of Colorado related to COVID-19 (coronavirus). Last week, the WHO declared COVID-19 a pandemic and has noted, "There is ample evidence that mass gatherings can amplify the spread of infectious diseases." Further, both the CDC and state of Colorado are recommending social distancing and that, for the next 8 weeks, organizations cancel or postpone in-person events that consist of 50 people or more throughout the United States to slow the spread of the virus.

Will you be refunding registration fees?

Yes, all registration fees will be refunded, including conference, preconference, postconference, and development activities. You can expect to receive a full refund within a few weeks. We ask for your patience as we work through this process. Credit card payments will be refunded by credit card; payments by check will be refunded by check. If you have any questions, please contact us at ncrefund@aspan.org

How can I cancel my hotel and flight reservations?

It is your responsibility to cancel hotel and flight reservations. Hotel reservations with the Gaylord Rockies Resort and Convention Center can be canceled by calling 888.840.3143. Reservations with other hotels should be canceled by contacting the hotel directly. Flights should be canceled by contacting the airline directly.

May I donate my Development-related fees to help ASPAN?

Several attendees have requested that their purchases for development activities be given to ASPAN. All registration fees are being refunded and, following the refund process, we will make a separate appeal for support.

I was going to present at National Conference 2020. Should I still submit my PowerPoint and handouts?

It is not necessary to submit copies of your PowerPoint and/or handouts.

My poster was accepted. Should I still upload the poster for virtual display?

There will be no poster displays in 2020. This will allow you to resubmit the poster for consideration and have it displayed in 2021.

Will ASPAN continue with other education seminars and webcasts?

Decisions on seminars will be made on a case-by-case basis as evidence emerges and in light of our responsibility to protect our members. Webcasts are online only and should continue uninterrupted. Visit [ASPAN Learn](#) for the latest educational updates.

Will the Representative Assembly have an opportunity to vote for 2020-21 national candidates, as well as review and vote on resolutions scheduled for this year's meeting?

We are in the process of determining next steps for review, discussion and votes. Additional information will be coming.

Who do I contact with additional questions?

Please contact Courtney Papp at cpapp@aspan.org with additional questions.

ASPAN will continue to keep its members informed of related developments (e.g., voting for candidates, future educational opportunities, etc.) as news becomes available.