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Dear ASPE Members,

As we all try to assess the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak on our own daily lives and on our loved ones, colleagues and communities, many of you have asked whether the 2020 ASPE Annual Conference in Portland, Oregon (June 7-10, 2020) will be impacted. Please know that the well-being of our members, conference attendees, exhibitors and affiliates is our utmost priority. We continue to closely monitor information on the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) as shared by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as well as the World Health Organization (WHO).

At this time we are exploring all options, including a possible rescheduling of the conference. We will make every possible effort to ensure the 2020 ASPE Annual Conference is preserved and advise you as soon as a decision has been made.

In the meantime we encourage you to gather and share on the ASPE Listserv. We have been heartened to observe the conversations between our members and the exchange of tips and information on varied topics related to our current situation. At times like this we need community and our ASPE members have shown through their actions that they are there to support each other.

To engage in the ASPE Listserv simply email your question or comment to the following address: members@aspeducators.org. All current ASPE members will receive the query.

In addition we have added a resource page to the ASPE Website which includes a list of articles on distance learning and telehealth teaching with standardized/simulated patients compiled by Grants & Research Committee member and bibliography curator, Dr. Karen Szauter. To access the page [CLICK HERE](#)

Finally, join us on social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) to keep in touch with your ASPE community.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate through these uncertain times.

Sincerely,

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