



April 29, 2020

Greetings ASG Members,

Thank you for your patience as we have navigated through the process of negotiating with the Marriott Riverwalk in San Antonio to come to a mutually agreeable arrangement to reschedule our San Antonio conference. Earlier this year when the Corona Virus broke out, we had hope that our world would return to normal by late spring and that we would be able to safely and confidently move ahead with our conference. By mid-April, it became obvious that would not be the case. However, in order to cancel our early July conference without incurring large financial damages, it was necessary to work with the hotel in good faith to arrange for the fulfillment of our contractual obligation at a later, mutually agreeable date. We have reached an agreement and signed an addendum to our contract that moves our San Antonio Conference to 2022. Because we had already contracted a venue for our 2021 conference, 2022 was our first chance to hold the conference in San Antonio.

If you are holding room reservations for San Antonio, you should release them now. If you have already purchased airline tickets, you should cancel them now. Most airlines have already announced an extended amount of time to reuse your purchased tickets.

This was of course a great disappointment to all of us as we had spent months planning and looking forward to a very special experience in San Antonio. However, considering what is going on all around us currently and the loss of so much life over the past couple of months, our disappointment pales in comparison. We are already looking into some ideas for bringing a bit of the conference experience to all of you virtually this summer.

Meanwhile, we are so proud of our organization and the heroic efforts in mask making that have garnered national publicity for ASG chapters from coast to coast. Your generosity in responding to this need is truly heartwarming! Stay safe and well. Together, we will come through these challenges!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Margo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Margo Martin, Executive Director  
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