



Dear 2020 HOD Delegates:

You should have received an [email from AAPA](#) early this afternoon regarding the status of AAPA's 2020 Annual Conference. After careful consideration of the rapidly evolving COVID-19 situation, AAPA's 2020 Annual Conference in Nashville, May 16-20, is being cancelled. This difficult decision was reached by the Board of Directors after careful analysis and consideration of all associated implications -- most importantly, what is best for the health and safety of our PAs and their patients.

We recognize the role of PAs on the front lines of responding to this crisis. AAPA volunteers and staff are working diligently to minimize any inconveniences and meet the emerging needs of PAs during this critical time. Please visit AAPA's [COVID-19 page](#) for the latest tools and resources available to our members.

We have not yet decided how to handle the business of the House; specifically, the TCI report, but also the policies up for five-year review and the resolutions which were submitted by various delegations which impact our profession. As you know, testimony and debate are critical to informed decision making in the House. Hence, a "virtual" House does not lend itself neatly to this important component of conducting our business to ensure the will of the House is respected. One solution under current consideration is to postpone the 2020 HOD until later in the fall. The staff is currently undertaking an impact analysis of pursuing this proposed solution. In this rapidly evolving environment, there is much we do not know at this point in time. I welcome any thoughts you care to share and want to assure you we are working diligently to be able to undertake the House's important business. Please feel free to email me at [houseofficers@aapa.org](mailto:houseofficers@aapa.org).

Be safe and thank you for all you are doing for our patients and for our profession.

Best regards,

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