Message from the President: Emmanuelle Passegué

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Dear ISEH members and stakeholders,

As you are undoubtedly aware, COVID-19 has been making headlines around the world for the past



few weeks and months. On behalf of the ISEH Board of Directors, I would like to extend our heartfelt wishes that you, your family and friends are well.

Here, at ISEH, we are continuing to monitor the situation closely to determine whether any changes will occur for the ISEH 49th Annual Scientific Meeting in New York City on 20-23 August, 2020. The health and safety of our event attendees and partners is of the utmost importance and we will be following any recommended guidelines and best practices laid out by relevant health and safety entities as August approaches.

In response to the uncertainty we face due to the COVID-19 outbreaks around the world, ISEH will be extending our Call for Abstracts deadline to May 8 (previously April 13). Please note, submission of an abstract is FREE to ISEH members. We hope that you will continue to submit abstracts in preparation for the meeting. We will also be evaluating other meeting deadlines, such as our early-registration pricing (June 18) to see if changes are warranted based on the situation at that time. Please continue to check the ISEH 2020 website for updates and information.

If your institution or government establishes a travel policy that would prevent you from attending/registering for the ISEH meeting in August, please email that information to info@iseh.org. ISEH is closely tracking our attendance AND those who are unable to attend for reasons such as institutional or governmental travel bans.

Now more than ever, ISEH needs your support. Please join or renew your ISEH membership to demonstrate your support for the organization. Your membership provides you access to ISEH webinars, our membership directory, discussion forums and more that can keep you connected to your colleagues around the world during this time of limited travel.

Please visit <u>www.iseh.org/2020NewYork</u> for updates or contact <u>info@iseh.org</u> if you have questions.

Best regards, Emmanuelle Passegué, PhD ISEH President