Dear SPR Members and Meeting Registrants:

It is my sincere hope that this e-mail finds you, your families, and friends safe and well. Over the last few weeks, the SPR Staff and Board of Directors have closely monitored the developments around the Coronavirus (COVID-19). In light of the World Health Organization’s (WHO) declaration of COVID-19 as a pandemic and the guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to cancel in-person events consisting of 50 people or more for the next eight (8) weeks, we have made the difficult decision to cancel the SPR 2020 Annual Meeting & Postgraduate Course scheduled for May 9-15 in Miami, Florida indefinitely.

We would like to thank everyone who has put a tremendous amount of time and effort into the planning of SPR 2020. We recognize that canceling the meeting impacts many, including our colleagues in La Sociedad Latino Americana de Radiología Pediátrica, whom we were looking forward to welcoming to Miami. SPR's Annual Meeting represents the largest single gathering of subspecialty pediatric imaging experts and serves as one of the main sources for your educational needs. To that end, the SPR staff is working to identify a way to deliver some of the meeting components in a virtual format, if feasible. Further details will be disseminated via e-mail and posted to the SPR website as available.

We arrived at this decision after deep consideration and collaboration between the staff, leadership, and legal counsel. It was not easy, but the health and safety of the SPR members, meeting attendees, staff, vendors, and our communities-at-large are of the utmost importance. At this time, we would like to inform you of the following:

- **The SPR will automatically refund your meeting registration to the original form of payment.** We kindly ask for your patience as the team works diligently to remedy all accounts over the next few weeks. If you have not received a refund by April 15th, please contact sprmeetings@acr.org.

- **Airline and hotel reservations will need to be canceled by you directly.** Please check with your airline provider for their change and/or cancellation policies.

  We have been informed that The InterContinental Miami is automatically canceling reservations made directly with them. If you were not in receipt of a correspondence from The InterContinental Miami, it is recommended that you contact them directly at (800) 327-3005 to confirm that your reservation is canceled. If you secured a room at another hotel, you must contact that property to understand their cancellation policy.

- **SPR 2020 faculty, scientific paper and poster presenters, vendors, and honorees** can expect to receive further communication from the SPR office within the week.

While we were reluctant to make this decision, canceling SPR 2020 live is the right thing to do during these uncharted times. On behalf of the SPR Board of Directors, thank you for your patience and for entrusting us to make the best decision for all those affected. The unwavering support of the SPR membership and community is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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