

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will not be able to hold the 2020 Alabama/Mississippi Annual Scientific Program that was scheduled for June 5-7, 2020, in Birmingham, Alabama. We recognize that COVID-19 is a national emergency causing increasing government restrictions. The Alabama Department of Public Health has issued an order for Jefferson County banning gatherings of 25 people or more, which is in congruence with the CDC meeting recommendations. In addition, federal, state, and local governments, as well as local employers/institutions, are continuing to restrict and ban meetings and travel. Due to the above and after discussions with the scientific program planning committee and the Alabama and Mississippi ACP state councils, the unanimous decision was made to cancel the meeting.

In this crisis, the health, safety, and well-being of our ACP members, staff, and communities was at the forefront of our minds when making this hard decision. We recognize that ACP members and attendees have a vital role to play on the front lines of health care in their respective communities. ACP appreciates this hard work and wants to support you in these efforts.

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