



**Dear Members,**

While we are all looking forward to December and the ACNP Annual Meeting, it has become clear that the College will not be able to offer the same in-person experience as we have enjoyed in the past. The College's top priority is the safety and well-being of its attendees and their families, colleagues, and members of the global community. It is with much sadness that the ACNP Council has made the decision to cancel the in-person 2020 ACNP Annual Meeting scheduled to take place December 6-9, 2020 in Phoenix, Arizona and pivot virtual. This year's Annual Meeting will be presented on an exciting, new virtual platform.

ACNP Council has developed a task force to determine a virtual schedule that will include the exceptional science we all expect from the meeting along with some unique networking sessions and opportunities. More information will be released soon.

Additionally, Council has altered a few attendance and invitation policies for 2020. This year the member requirement for attendance will be removed. Additionally, all full members will receive an additional invitation to use for a trainee. A trainee is a person in a training position and not a full time, permanent position. A trainee can be a M.D., Ph.D., Post-doctoral fellow, Resident, Graduate Student or Research Fellow. Trainees have all the rights and privileges of invited guests. Associate Members will also have the opportunity to invite one trainee to this year's meeting. We hope these adjustments will allow the early career researchers in our field to experience all the College has to offer.

Registration for the virtual meeting will open later this week at a [reduced registration rate](#).

Sincerely,  
Maria A. Oquendo, M.D., Ph.D.  
ACNP President



The **Annual Meeting Virtual Schedule** is currently being finalized and will be made available on the ACNP Website at a future date. Please stay tuned for updates!

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## INVITING GUESTS THIS YEAR

### **NEW** Additional Invited Guest Invitation for Trainee:

Members (all categories of membership to include Associate Members) will be able to extend an **additional invitation** to the 2020 virtual meeting if their guest is considered a **trainee**.



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As a reminder, Members, Fellows and Emeritus may also use their guest privilege to invite one guest.

## NEW PROCESS FOR REQUESTING GUEST INVITATIONS

ACNP members will now request invitations through the online meeting portal in lieu of emailing the Executive Office. The online portal is now open; however, please note that the invitations will not be sent until registration officially opens.

To request invitations, login to the [Annual Meeting Submission Site](#) and select 'Submit ACNP Invitation Request.'

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## CME Credit is Offered

You will have the opportunity to receive continuing medical education (CME) credit by attending this virtual meeting. CME information, including the amounts of CME credits available, will be communicated closer to the meeting.

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## POSTER ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS

**Poster abstract submissions will open with annual meeting registration in early July.**

**The poster deadline is Thursday, August 6, 2020, at 5:00 PM Central Time.**

**Stay tuned for information on virtual poster sessions with the ability to connect directly with the poster presenters!**

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