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From: Catherine Lavallée-Welch
Subject: SLA Official Statement on the Coronavirus

Dear SLA Members,

In recognition of the growing number of employers that are cancelling or restricting travel due to the risks posed by coronavirus, **SLA is extending the early bird registration deadline for the 2020 Annual Conference to Wednesday, May 13.** The SLA Board of Directors, with the assistance of the 2020 Annual Conference Advisory Council, continues to monitor this situation.

In addition, after careful consideration, SLA Pharmaceutical & Health Technology Spring Meeting Planning Committee and SLA Leadership have made the difficult, but necessary decision to postpone the PHT Spring Meeting, scheduled for April 5-7 in Philadelphia. The decision was made in response to the potential dangers posed by the spread of COVID-19. We know how much the Spring Meeting means to the PHT Community, and we did not make this decision in haste. The 2020 PHT Spring Meeting has been rescheduled and will now take place November 1-4, 2020, at the same venue (Hilton at Penn's Landing) in Philadelphia.

The SLA Board of Directors is paying close attention to the spread of COVID-19 and following the advice of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Health Organization. The health and well-being of the SLA community is of foremost concern to us, and we will take all necessary precautions as the situation warrants.

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Best,
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President-Elect of SLA, 2020

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