

# ASIA PACIFIC SPINE SOCIETY 2020 ANNUAL MEETING

## 亚太脊柱学会年会

COMBINED WITH THE 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF CSSME

暨中国医药教育协会骨科脊柱分会第四届年会

9 -10 October Shanghai China  
Shanghai International Convention Center



19<sup>th</sup> March 2020

### CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19): ASIA PACIFIC SPINE SOCIETY (APSS) AND CHINESE SPINE SOCIETY OF MEDICINE EDUCATION (CSSME), JOINT STATEMENT ON APSS 2020 ANNUAL MEETING

Considering recent developments concerning the global COVID-19 outbreak and the need for responsible measures to be taken to prevent the virus from spreading, it has been decided to postpone the APSS 2020 Annual Meeting to later in the year. The Meeting will take place from **9<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020** and will remain in Shanghai, China at the Shanghai International Convention Centre.

The APSS and CSSME will continue with the Meeting preparations and remain fully committed to the success of the APSS 2020 Annual Meeting. We thank all delegates, faculty and sponsors for their interest and support in the Meeting. The registration for APSS 2020 Annual Meeting remains open and the early bird registration is extended till **15<sup>th</sup> June 2020**. All registrations and abstract submissions received so far will remain valid for the Meeting scheduled for the new date. Registered delegates of the annual meeting can apply full refund of registration fee if the new meeting dates do not suit your schedule.

The organisers will continue to monitor the situation very closely, in partnership with the Chinese authorities and via the World Health Organization (WHO). We will provide you with progressive updates on the Meeting as the situation evolves and will ensure that all measures are appropriate to the situation in October according to the latest updates, information and advice on COVID-19 from the authorities. If COVID-19 Pandemic is not under control and makes October meeting unfavourable, APSS and CSSME will decide whether cancellation of the meeting on or before the end of June 2020.

We thank you for your commitment and understanding and look forward to welcoming you to the APSS 2020 Annual Meeting in Shanghai.

Yours sincerely,



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