

March 13, 2020

Dear Colleagues:

I am sure that you have been following the COVID-19 news as closely as the AUR leadership has. With the rapidly evolving public health situation and the growing number of institutions restricting business travel, the AUR Board of Directors has voted to cancel the AUR annual meeting in Philadelphia this year. The health, safety and well-being of attendees and the larger community is our highest priority.

We are grateful to everyone who has put tremendous effort into planning the 2020 Annual Meeting program, and we realize that this cancellation will have a significant impact to members and attendees as well as the AUR affinity groups and affiliated societies.

- The AUR will provide a full refund of all meeting registration fees to the original form of payment. You do not need to contact the AUR regarding this refund; it will be automatically processed on your behalf. Please be patient with this process. If you have not received a refund by April 15th, please contact AUR at aur@rsna.org. Please note only meeting registrations will be refunded. Membership dues are non-refundable.
- You will need to cancel your hotel and airline reservations directly. Reservations at the
 Philadelphia Marriott Downtown hotel must be cancelled at least 72 hours prior to your original
 arrival date to avoid penalties. You can cancel by:
 - <u>Visiting the reservation site</u>; clicking on "Existing Reservations" in the upper right-hand corner and then following the instructions; or
 - Calling the hotel directly at 1-215-625-2900.

Many airlines have updated their change or cancellation policies in light of COVID-19; please check with your individual carrier.

Due to the required planning time and continued uncertainty regarding COVID-19, there are
currently no plans to reschedule the 2020 AUR Meeting. The AUR BOD and program chairs will
be reviewing the options for delivering some of the educational and scientific meeting content
in a virtual manner. Information about Board and business meetings will be forthcoming soon.
No decisions have been made yet regarding the closed programs (ARRALD, Faculty
Development, Radiology Management and Research Scholar.)

We will provide more details and information on our website and via email in the coming days. In the meantime, any specific questions should be addressed to aur@rsna.org.

Keep well, Petra Lewis MB.BS AUR President