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Dear Program Committee Members,

As we approach the end of 2019, here's an update on the status of the scientific program for the PAS 2020 Meeting.

Important dates:

- Dec. 4 – Review of Volunteer Abstract Reviewers ends
- Dec. 10 – Workshop notifications for a total of 119 workshops, including reviewed workshops and partner/alliance selections
- Jan. 6 – Call for Abstracts ends (four days later this year in response to attendee feedback about working over the holidays)

Action items for Program Committee

- **Jan. 10 – 22** – Abstract review
 - **Jan. 24 - Feb. 5** – Abstract selection
 - **Feb. 8** – in-person meeting in The Woodlands, TX (PC members should have received an invitation for this meeting and travel information, if required)
- **One month until the abstract deadline!** Please reach out to colleagues, mentees, and the membership of your societies to encourage participation.
 - **Call for PAS Meeting Abstracts** deadline Jan. 6, 2020. See full instructions [here](#).
 - Please **vote for your favorite title** for the session temporarily known as Expert Roundtable Discussions. To recap, this Sunday morning breakfast session, led by 20-30 experts, allows attendees to come together with faculty leaders to discuss a variety of topic areas, share their perspectives, and build relationships. Topics will include career development and issues on the forefront of pediatric research and hot topics in pediatrics. Experts will lead 25-minute discussions that include Q&A. [Vote here by Dec. 20](#).
 - A **preliminary schedule** will be available in Smartsheet in early January. It will show Scholarly Sessions, Clubs, Presidential Plenaries, Workshops, and SIGs in the grid, along with placeholders for the oral original science and poster sessions you will be sessioning in January/February. Our goal is to reduce concurrency issues as much as possible. We will focus on finetuning and completing the schedule when we get together in February in The Woodlands.
 - **Update/Changes** - If you need to make a change to a session (different title, speaker, moderator, etc.) please submit a request through the [PAS 2020 Change Request Tracker Form](#) to help us log, manage, and respond more efficiently to the large volume of changes needed before the meeting. The form can also be accessed through the [Program Committee portal](#) and the [PAS Meeting Website](#)
 - Check the [PAS Program & Events Center](#) for any information or messages regarding details for session you may be participating in for PAS 2020.

Please let us know if you have any questions and thank you for our ongoing support of the PAS Meeting. Wishing you the happiest of holiday and a wonderful new year.

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