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An Open Letter to the APSARD Community

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Dear APSARD community,

At this challenging time, as we struggle to make sense of and work our way through the Covid-19 pandemic, I wanted to reach out to all of our members on behalf of the APSARD Board of Directors. I am sure that many of you are working to provide remote clinical care to patients, support and treatment for other health care providers, and aid to your communities. I wanted to take a moment to recognize your efforts and wish that you and your loved ones are safe and well!

While we have no idea what the ripple effects will be on our work, personal lives, funding, job prospects, we are hopeful that, as the pandemic slows down and reaches a level where it might be better managed, we will emerge, recover and move forward.

The Executive Committee is currently engaged in planning our organizational response to this crisis, for both the short and long term. Our goal is to expand the breadth and number of programs we offer. While we don't yet have all the details worked out, I can report that we will be providing online content that will be accessible to **anyone**, APSARD member or otherwise. An updated list of content will be available shortly on the APSARD website under the Resource tab. Please see below for the initial virtual content coming soon:

- APSARD April Ask the Experts Webinar- *Monday, Aprils 27th from 12:00-1:00 PM EST*
- APSARD Blog posts containing tips and tricks for ADHD support during social distancing
- User guide for Zoom

To access these tools and more, visit the [APSARD website](#).

Finally, I would like to say a word about the annual meeting. Currently, many scientific meetings are being cancelled. We are tracking this carefully and have begun to discuss how to approach the APSARD

January, 2021 annual meeting. We hope that this date is far enough off that the meeting will not be adversely affected. However, we are considering all possible options.

Sending all of you warm thoughts and well wishes.

Jeffrey Newcorn, *APSARD President*