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Dear Members,

International ACAC’s Leadership Team and Executive Board continue to monitor the developments of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and the impact on our members, their schools, universities, and organizations, and the communities they serve.

Preparations for the annual conference, July 14-17 at the University of New Mexico, are underway. At this time, the University and U.S. federal regulations have not suggested the cancellation of any gatherings as the current risk in the state and the U.S. remains low. Planning the Pre-Conference Institute, the Diversity Initiative Training, the conference sessions and events, and the Counselor Bus Tour remains ongoing. We are currently reviewing contingency plans, which may include extended deadlines, where possible, and flexible refund policies for cancellations, should they become necessary.

The health and well-being of our members is a top priority for International ACAC. In the preparation of regional institutes and annual conferences, we always work closely with the host institution and local agencies to plan for a safe and accessible event.

The East Asia & Pacific Regional Institute, scheduled to be held in Singapore in early May, was cancelled due to rising health concerns and travel restrictions. We are working now to identify when we might reschedule the Institute, but we will not make any decisions while current events are evolving.

We will continue to keep our members updated, and we thank everyone for their ongoing support for their colleagues and community during this challenging time. Members coming together and sharing resources has been a reminder of how interconnected we are.

Be sure to regularly check the dedicated webpage on International ACAC’s website for updates.

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