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Bringing ASHA to You

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Dear Colleague:

In all the planning and busy times before an ASHA convention, it's easy to forget that a relatively small portion of the speech-language-hearing community attends the annual convention each year. We wanted to take a moment to recognize each of you as active professionals in the speech-language-hearing field. In our recent scholarship contest, many of you wrote comments or notes to us about how much you'd love to attend the ASHA convention for the first time, for the second time, as a closing event to a successful career, and everything in between. We applaud you and regret that we cannot support all of you to attend. Thank you for your energy and strong desire to keep learning.

For those of you who aren't able to attend convention, we're thinking about how to bring the learning to you. One thing we can do is add a place in our www.speechandlanguage.com Discussion Center just for ASHA conversations. Maybe someone can share a great idea for funding a convention trip out of pocket (yours or someone else's). Maybe someone attended a fantastic session and can post a message recapping the evidence-based practice insight or tidbit that was most helpful. Maybe someone can ask a question about a session they would have attended or post a link to a recap or an article on ASHA's website. You can find a multitude of ways to learn collaboratively without traveling!

For those of you who will attend convention next week, we look forward to seeing you there! Safe travels to one and all. Please stop by and say hello to us at booth 1101.

What other ways can we add to the experience? Post your thoughts in the Discussion Center and we'll do our best to support making the connections between those who attended and those who could not this year. Let's put the SLP Forum to work for you, once again!

Respectfully,

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