

ISAAC Conference 2020 Postponement

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Toronto, Canada – March 26th, 2020: The ISAAC Conference 2020 Leadership Team has now concluded consultations with our service providers in Cancún, México, and have passed on a summary of discussions and series of recommendations to the ISAAC Executive Board (EB), which has met to discuss them.

Given the current COVID-19 global pandemic and its progression, the ISAAC EB has come to the following conclusions:

1. That it is not possible to hold Conference 2020 during its scheduled dates of August 1st through August 6th, 2020, in a way that protects the health and safety of our stakeholders, particularly people who use AAC and their families / personal support networks;
2. Given border and travel restrictions, as well as local, regional, and national states of emergencies in place, it is not physically possible for those wishing to attend Conference 2020 to travel, and this situation is likely to continue for an unknown period of time.

The ISAAC EB has therefore approved a postponement of Conference 2020, to July 31st through August 5th, 2021.

ISAAC International has taken this decision, first and foremost, to safeguard the health and well-being of all our stakeholder groups and, in particular, people who use AAC and their families / personal support networks.

ISAAC has posted its Conference 2020 Postponement FAQ [here](#). We encourage all those who have purchased registrations to allow those registrations to be automatically transferred to the new conference dates, to avoid any possible registration price increases, which may come into effect after May 29th, 2020.

ISAAC will also be hosting a series of Conference 2020 postponement informational webinars, beginning first for Conference registrants on April 2nd, 2020, to help address registration related questions. Please click [here](#) to be directed to the ISAAC website where you can register for one of these postponement informational webinars.

ISAAC will also be hosting a series of individual similar webinars for presentation authors as well as sponsors and exhibitors to also address the important postponement questions of these stakeholder groups, and we will announce dates and times of these webinars to each group separately via email.

ISAAC fervently hopes that this global pandemic will ease as quickly as possible and, as an organization, we are committed to doing what we can to support our stakeholder groups.

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ISAAC is an international membership organization with head offices in Toronto. ISAAC's goal is to create worldwide awareness about how AAC can help individuals without speech. ISAAC accomplishes this by sharing information and promoting innovative approaches to research, technology and literacy through AAC. Activities include hosting the ISAAC biennial conference, sponsoring projects, and offering awards and scholarships. ISAAC is a Non-Governmental Organization in consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).