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Happy New Year 2020

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Dear Esteemed Academicians,

Greetings from West Bengal Academy of Pediatrics. Team WBAP 2020 wishes you all a happy, bright and blissful new year. We take this opportunity to reach out to each one of you and seek your support, guidance and blessings in our forthcoming academic endeavours .Since the newly elected team has taken charge of this august academy it is quite natural that you all must be having high expectations to be fulfilled by the new team. We promise to continue to strive for the betterment of our dear academy with all the confidence reposed on us. May we take this opportunity to communicate few points for the smooth functioning of the academy

- 1. As always, we will encourage programs organised by district branches and sub speciality chapters. It remains our earnest request to communicate well in advance the dates for the same so that it gets printed in the yearly academic brochure / diary and such dates do not overlap/ clash. Please note that the last Thursday and third Saturday of every month are fixed for monthly clinical meet and EB meeting respectively. So as far as possible, if you avoid these dates ,you can expect wider participation from WBAP.
- 2. Organisers of such programs intended/ desired to be organised in collaboration with WBAP must note the following points
 - A) A formal letter requesting such collaboration must be sent to the president/ secretary WBAP by the organising secretary of that particular program. Without an official request, such collaboration will not have official sanction.
 - B) It is desirable that all members of EB including the invited members are honoured with waiver of registration fee for that program.
 - C) A minimum of Rs 10000 to be paid to WBAP as collaboration charges which includes using WBAP infrastructure and manpower for meetings, sending SMSes from WBAP account etc. Organisers desirous of holding preparatory meets in the WBAP premises should intimate the secretary about it .Please note that tea /refreshments for such meetings to be arranged by the organizers. WBAP office staff may help if rtequested.
 - D) The WBAP staff should be paid a token amount as deemed appropriate for their services.
 - E) A brief report of such programs along with pictures and videos must be sent to WBAP so that it can be incorporated in the yearly activity report of WBAP. That would immensely help us to achieve the next obvious target of becoming the best branch in the country after having claimed the third prize two times in a row.

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- 3. Many of you may be desirous of participating in our programs like Pedicon and others CMEs as faculty. To create a database of faculties and to encourage wider participation, we would like to invite nominations from such members. Please feel free to communicate your desire along with a brief bio data and your area of interest. We will try to accommodate such requests in our forthcoming programs as far as possible.
- 4. We are trying hard for indexing of our official scientific publication The child and Newborn. But the greatest hurdle remains difficulty in bringing out regular issues due to dearth of contributions. We would request each one of you, especially our younger colleagues to keep contributing to keep the journal afloat and make the process of indexing a success in near future. A special request to the heads of department and other faculties of medical colleges to encourage their Post graduate students to write and contribute.
- 5. Many of our junior colleagues are not yet members of IAP. We would request all senior colleagues especially faculties of medical colleges to encourage all to become life members by enlightening them about the benefits of such membership. Also please note that from this year we intend to strictly enforce the resolution adopted by the executive body last year of making IAP membership (or at least applying for such membership) mandatory for those submitting abstracts for award papers in WB Pedicon as is the norm in National Pedicon also.

We look forward to your valuable ideas, suggestions and guidance.

Warm regards

Yours in academy service.

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