



**Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Cancellation of the  
46<sup>th</sup> Annual Surgery and Rehabilitation of the Hand Symposium  
22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Hand Surgery Symposium  
Due to Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

**Will the Annual Symposium be rescheduled?** No. Due to the amount of planning involved, it is not possible to reschedule to another date in 2020.

The decision to cancel was made out of concern for the safety of our participants and of our communities and at the recommendations from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, the World Health Organization, the City of Philadelphia, and Thomas Jefferson University amidst the growing concerns regarding COVID-19,

We are planning to hold next year's symposium on March 20-24, 2021 in Philadelphia.

**Will I receive a refund for my Conference registration now that the event is canceled?** The Hand Rehabilitation is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. It depends upon donations and revenue generated by the symposium to support our medical mission outreach, research, and education. The majority of its funds are already committed to these efforts. The cancellation of the symposium has had, and will continue to have, a severe impact on the financial state of the Foundation. As such, we are able to offer the following options:

1. We will refund registration fees, less a fee of 10%. Refunds will be processed (less 10%) starting 3/30/2020 and will be refunded back to the credit card used at the time of registration or if paid by check, refund will be issued via check payment.
2. We can apply 100% of your registration fee to the 2021 Symposium which is scheduled to be held March 20-24, 2021 in Philadelphia. The credit will fully cover next year's tuition regardless of any increase in fees.
3. 100% or any portion of your registration can be made as a charitable donation to the Hand Rehabilitation Foundation for which you will receive appropriate recognition.

Please notify our office at [hrf@handfoundation.org](mailto:hrf@handfoundation.org) as to your choice.

The Hand Foundation thanks you for your understanding in these turbulent times and wishes you all good health going forward.