



PRESIDENT'S WELCOME MESSAGE



Dear Colleague,

I would like to welcome you, our members, and corporate sponsors to the 24th Annual Conference and Business Meeting of the Ontario Association of Gastroenterology (OAG). We look forward to having yet another successful educational and informative weekend albeit in our new virtual setting. The COVID-19 pandemic has allowed us to reach far and wide to secure world-renowned leaders in our field to share their expertise with us. I am very excited about the content of this Conference and I am confident that you will find it very educational. We know you will be seated in front a computer for the morning, so we have incorporated a stretch session to help you keep the blood flowing.

Especially during these difficult times, our sponsors have supported us generously. Our interaction with them will look different this year but we would ask that you take some time to visit with them in the Virtual Exhibit Hall, much as you would in an in-person conference.

The Sunday portion of the meeting will involve an update from the OMA Section on Gastroenterology and the Annual General Meeting for the OAG.

As I take my leave as your President, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for entrusting me to lead this great organization for the past three years. The experience has been invaluable, bringing the issues that plague our profession to the forefront and having them resolved has been rewarding. My interactions with OAG Board and members have provided memorable experiences and established lifelong friendships with many colleagues.

As your President, I look forward to interacting with you, albeit virtually, this weekend.

Best regards,

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