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Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for your interest in the Nevada Psychiatric Association's 19th Annual Psychopharmacology Update with Pre- and Post-conferences. Though there are many opportunities for updating our knowledge of state-of-the-art treatment of psychiatric disorders, we appreciate the ever growing numbers of practitioners that choose to attend our conference, which offers state-of-the-science presentations by recognized leaders and educators in the field.

Due to the ever-growing demand for attendance at our conference, we have exceeded capacity of several venues over the 19 years of the conference. Sometimes this can be confusing for attendees who have become used to our conference at a particular venue. Last year we moved the NPA Psychopharmacology Update to the Las Vegas Strip and held the conference at the Paris Las Vegas Hotel & Casino, a world class venue. This year the conference will be even better at Paris with enhanced audio/visual equipment and layout. While we are upgrading the venue and providing a location in the heart of the Las Vegas Strip, the content of the conference continues to provide exceptional education on practical and cutting-edge treatment considerations for psychiatric disorders.

As President, I am particularly excited about the offerings at this year's conference. As well as the exceptional faculty for the Update, I am excited that we will have a Pre-conference day dedicated to Child, Adolescent & Parenting. The latter is a very important topic in our ever demanding lives. We are also providing a dynamic Post-conference on Evidence Based Treatment Guidelines, an algorithm approach. This will be presented by an excellent cadre of faculty from Harvard University. Staying for the Sunday Post-conference will be well worth your time.

Oddly enough, there is another conference being held in Las Vegas at the same time as our conference. Some clinicians get confused by this. Be assured that the Nevada Psychiatric Association's 19th Annual Psychopharmacology Update with Pre- and Post-conferences is the original and largest conference that weekend. In fact, according to our knowledge it is one of the largest conferences of its kind in the U.S. If you would like more information on the history that led to the two conferences being held at the same time in Las Vegas, please email me at kithasj@cox.net and I will forward you the letter of September 16, 2010 by then NPA President Philip Malinas, MD explaining the circumstance surrounding the two conferences occurring at the same time in the same city from our perspective. The Nevada Psychiatric Association is a District Branch of the American Psychiatric Association and our program is endorsed by the APA. As a non-profit corporation our mission includes education, advocacy for our patients and profession and mental health in general. Any proceeds from our conference go directly into achieving this mission. So attending the Nevada Psychiatric Association's 19th Annual Psychopharmacology Update and Pre- and Post-conferences not only provides you with a great learning experience, but also helps us to further our mission.

We appreciate your interest in our conference and hope to see you at the Paris Las Vegas Hotel & Casino on the Strip in Las Vegas from February 12 through 16, 2014. Registration is available at www.nvpsychiatry.org or by calling 1-877-493-0007. Should you have further questions you may contact our office (877-493-0007). Again, thank you for your interest in keeping upto-date in your treatment of our patients. I hope to see you soon!

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