

Friday, July 5, 2019

Dear CPS Members,

It is with heavy hearts that we write about the dissolution of the American Pain Society (APS).

On behalf of the CPS Board of Directors and Senior Leadership, we extend our sympathies regarding the situation, and express admiration and appreciation for the work that continues to be done by our colleagues in the United States.

The pain community is a close-knit one and while we feel the loss of the APS keenly, we also know that the relationships forged between colleagues across the border will continue to flourish.

As we move forward in this new landscape, it's important to recognize that it's our collective voice that creates real impact. While the primary focus of the CPS is the Canadian landscape, we will continue to value the expertise and knowledge of all contributors to the pain community worldwide.

We would also like to take this opportunity to reassure our CPS members that the folding of the APS (under U.S. Chapter 7 bankruptcy) has no direct financial, or other, repercussions on our Society. CPS remains an active Society and a proud chapter of the International Association for the Study of Pain (IASP).

Thank you for your membership in CPS and your support of our community. Working together is what allows us to improve pain care in Canada and live up to our motto: "Better Care, Less Pain, More Gain".

Sincerely,

The CPS Board of Directors & Senior Leadership