



## ALUMNI

March 13, 2020

In light of the news of COVID-19 and to protect the health of the Baylor College of Medicine community, I regret to inform you that we made the difficult decision to cancel our 2020 Alumni Reunion. Honoring and celebrating our distinguished Baylor alumni is deeply important to us, therefore we will postpone the Alumni Awards dinner to a date later this year. Starting Monday, March 16, 2020, Baylor will be prohibiting all meetings, symposiums and other gatherings of more than 25 people. We are committed to do our part to help protect our staff, attendees and community. If you registered, a member of our team will be in touch to refund your registration.

This situation evolved rapidly, and as healthcare professionals, we recognize the sacrifices that must be made on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic. These new policies are in coordination with other Texas Medical Center institutions and a growing number of academic institutions across the country. We have a special responsibility to care for the community while continuing to deliver on our core missions — research, education, clinical care and community outreach. Baylor's expert team of researchers is working alongside Dean of the National School of Tropical Medicine Peter Hotez, M.D., Ph.D., to develop a COVID-19 vaccine.

To stay updated on the latest Baylor news and remain engaged with your fellow classmates, I encourage you to register on Alumni Connect, our new alumni engagement platform at: <https://alumni.bcm.edu>

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Annie Torres, Director of Alumni Affairs at 713-798-5462 or [annie.torres@bcm.edu](mailto:annie.torres@bcm.edu).

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Digan".

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*Many students rely on philanthropy from these events, if you are still interested in contributing to your class scholarship fund, please donate at <https://connect.bcm.edu/alumniqiving>*

**Please save the date for Alumni Reunion in 2021, April 23 and 24, 2021**