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Prof Naoki Kashihara
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Dear Prof Kashihara

**APSN CME Courses**

<International APSN CME course>
Over recent years, the Asia Pacific Society of Nephrology (APSN) has successfully been hosting International Continuing Medical Education (CME) Courses in collaboration with national societies.

We had four international CME courses in 2018: an APSN/JSN CME course in Japan, an APSN/ANZSN CME course in Australia, an APSN/CSN CME course in China, and an APSN/HKSN CME course in Hong Kong.

In 2019, the APSN plans to have five international CME courses as follows;

- APSN/KSN CME course in Seoul, Korea (May 24)
- APSN/JSN CME course in Nagoya, Japan (June 20)
- APSN/CSN CME course in Hangzhou, China (19 to 21of September)
- APSN/HKSN CME course in Hong Kong (September 28)
- WCN in Australia (no CME course but travel grants on offer)

We would like to ask your Society to recommend two young (< 40 years) and promising nephrologists to attend the corresponding CME courses (one for each course) to encourage their interaction with attendees from LMIC. Registration costs will be waived and each individual will be offered a 1,000 USD travel grant to assist with the costs of flights and accommodation. For most countries, we expect that this will cover these costs, but if the cost of the flight and accommodation is over 1,000 USD, attendees should cover the extra from their own resources.

The CME course programs have not yet been finalized but will be sent to you and attendees as soon as they are available. We are confident that each of the courses will be highly educational for attendees and also provide them with an invaluable opportunity to network with other nephrologists from the Asia Pacific, thereby fostering future integration & collaboration across the region.

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We encourage national societies to make full use of this program.

Yours Sincerely

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