

ISS Media has received many questions about our plans for the upcoming PLANSPONSOR/PLANADVISER Awards for Excellence Dinner in light of the spreading threat of COVID-19 (coronavirus) in New York City. Many of you have shared that your company is limiting travel and that you're concerned about the growing number of cases in the country, and in Manhattan. Everyone's health is of the utmost concern to us, and we want our evening to be one of celebration, not anxiety.

We've been following Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and World Health Organization (WHO) information. Because of what seems to be changing guidance from the CDC and New York officials, and knowing that the number of cases here will likely grow over the next two weeks, we have made the decision to postpone this year's awards dinner. Although we would love to host everyone at the end of this month, it has become clear that the responsible thing to do is to wait.

The good news is we have rescheduled for Monday, June 29, at Chelsea Piers, Pier 60, and we'll be back in touch soon with more details. We'll give out all of our planned awards that night, including announcing the winners, and we look forward to having you join us!

Please do reach out to me if you have any additional questions.

Thank you.

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