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Progress Report

The PSC companion meeting will start with our afternoon session, *Cells without Borders* in room **Johnson, Mezzanine level**. This afternoon program focuses on the international outreach of the PSC:

Moderator: Eric Suba, M.D.

International volunteer opportunities for pathologists and cytologists

Speaker: Joe Harford,

Director of the NCI Office of International Affairs

Patologi oltre Frontiera ("Pathologists without Borders")

Speaker: Chiara Sugrue SCT (ASCP)

Long Island Jewish Hospital, New Hyde Park, NY

The PSC business meeting immediately follows this program (same room) and then the PSC reception will be held in room **Johnson, Mezzanine level**. **Please join us!**

For the first time in the history of the PSC, we are having a collaborative scientific program with the ASC spanning both Saturday (PSC) and Sunday (ASC) evenings which will cover in detail the current practice of thyroid FNA and diagnosis since the Bethesda State of the Science Conference on thyroid FNA in October, 2007. This session will be held in room **Virginia** starting at 7 PM.

Moderator: Zubair Baloch, MD , PhD

Introduction

Speaker Zubair Baloch MD, PhD

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia PA

Endocrinologist View: The Role of FNA in the management of Thyroid Lesions

Speaker: Susan Mandel MD

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia PA

Molecular "Reflex" Testing of Thyroid FNA specimens

Speaker: Yuri Nikiforov MD, PhD

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh PA

Case Presentation

Speaker: Anjali Saqi MD

Columbia University Medical Center, New York, NY

Melina Flanagan MD

West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia

Scott Boerner MD

University of Toronto, Toronto General Hospital, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Question and Answer

Speaker: Zubair Baloch, MD , PhD

The very beginning of the session present the winners of the Yolanda Oertel Interventional Cytologist of the Year Award to Dr. Britt Marie Ljung and the L.C. Tao Educator of the Year Award to Dr. Kim Geisinger. Two residents will also be presented with awards for best posters.

The PSC continues to extend its international focus by assisting in the development of international training, education, and regional practice development. Members of the PSC have been working in Africa, Southeast Asia, and the Middle East to promote the development of cytopathology service infrastructure and long-term relationships. Our work has focused on the creation of educational courses in fine needle aspiration and partnering with local pathologists and trainees in the building of fine needle aspiration and small tissue biopsy services.

The PSC has extended agreements with European and Asian Cytopathology Societies in order to broaden membership and develop an international network of cytopathologists and surgical pathologists. The PSC is committed to sponsoring educational symposiums at international meetings.

Respectively submitted,

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