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Dear 2nd Year ASTS Fellow,

On behalf of the ASTS Fellowship Training Committee, we invite you to participate in the 11th Annual Surgical Fellows Symposium October 13–15, 2017, at The Cliff Lodge in Snowbird, Utah. All 2nd year fellows in good standing in ASTS accredited training positions are invited to attend the symposium.

At the symposium, you will gain focused education on many fundamentals in transplant surgery, particularly in areas that have been identified as underemphasized in many training programs. The program provides didactic and interactive educational content combined with networking events that give you unparalleled opportunities for personal, one-on-one interaction with ASTS Council members, nationally recognized faculty experts, and peers.

The Fellows Pilot Exam will occur on Saturday, October 14 and will consist of 70 questions which you will have 90 minutes to complete. Although your participation is mandatory, **the exam will not count towards your eligibility for a certificate of completion.** If you wish to receive your scores, you may request them from the National Office. The results will only be used to assess the validity of the exam and the quality of the questions.

Fellows' expenses associated with attendance at the event will be covered by ASTS, including:

- ASTS will contact you with flight and contact information for the travel agent in July. Do **NOT** book your flight until you have been contacted. *Any changes made to existing reservations will NOT be covered by ASTS;*
- Three nights' hotel accommodations; (October 12, October 13, and October 14)
- Ground transportation to/from hotel **There is transportation provided to/from Salt Lake City (SLC) airport. ASTS will NOT cover expenses for rental cars or taxis;*
- Ground transportation reimbursement at departure city (up to \$50/each way);
- Travel day meal expenses (up to \$25/day for 2 days);
- All provided meals from breakfast on October 13 through breakfast on October 15.

We look forward to your participation in this event.

Sincere Regards,

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