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Hi Paul,

Thx for reaching out.

I agree that this symposium presents information on an increasingly important area, but in reviewing the committee's comments I note a few issues that seem to have led to its rejection.

On the positive side, the committee looked well on the general topic and the inclusion of two international presenters. However, some concerns were raised about some issues that have arisen regarding methods employed in several of the presentations. A second issue was the inclusion of lay persons/consumers as the program discussants. This is not appropriate given our format for meeting symposia. Symposia discussants are supposed to serve the role of translating research findings into clinical applicability. It is difficult to see how lay persons could fill this role, especially given the affect I suspect they bring to this topic.

We are very mindful of our need to provide fair and balanced information on this important topic. We will have several other programs at the meeting that focus on trans issues.

Natalie Ramos and Aron Janssen co-chair the AACAP committee charged with taking the lead on trans issues. I might suggest that next year you coordinate any proposed programs with them. Aron is also on the program committee and can serve as a resource for you. Finally, as you know, Barbara Coffey and I are also available to help shape any submissions.

I'm sure my response won't be completely satisfying to you, but this is the short of it.

I very much appreciate all you do for AACAP and the meeting program. Looking forward to seeing you in Toronto.

Jim