Dear Retreat Faculty,

Thank you for agreeing to take time out of your busy schedule to participate in the 8th Annual Retreat for 1st Year Maternal-Fetal Medicine Fellows-in-Training, October 28-30, 2017, at Eaglewood Resort in Itasca, IL, outside Chicago. We expect a great turnout, with 104 Fellows having confirmed their attendance.

As a member of the faculty, SMFM will cover your lodging and meals at Eaglewood. We will be making your reservations via a master account rooming list. The Retreat officially kicks off at 3:30pm on Saturday, October 28th, with welcoming remarks and then a general session. This will be followed by Dinner from 6:15-7:15pm, and then the Bonding Exercise “The Escape Room” from 7:30-9:00pm. Sunday evening concludes with the Cocktail Reception and Mingling with the Faculty at the Prairie River from 6:15-7:15pm, Dinner will be from 7:15-8:15pm. The evening concludes with Free Time/Informal gatherings at Bar/Bowling bar. We have reserved time from 8:00pm-10:00pm - Kegler’s Bowling Alley, bar, and billiards - complimentary bowling for 2 hours. The Retreat is scheduled to conclude around 12:30pm on Monday, October 30th. A revised schedule of events will be E-mailed out to you at a later date and also will be available On-Site.

You need to make your own travel arrangements. While we are happy to reimburse this expense, we ask that you consider absorbing your airfare (or using your well-earned frequent flyer miles) as a number of faculty have done in the past. It would be much appreciated as it helps us stay on budget and provides flexibility on Retreat items for the fellows. Eaglewood Resort is located a mere 12 miles west of O’Hare International. Eaglewood is providing complimentary transportation back to O’Hare for our group at the conclusion of the Retreat on Monday. For those driving, parking at the resort is complimentary.

We will be communicating with you at a later date about slides for your presentation (if applicable) and requesting information from you to include in the faculty section of the program. But at this point, we just wanted to get out some general information to help you plan your travel.

Regards,

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