## COVID-19 March 17th update

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## Dear Members of the PCA Community,

Yesterday was full speculation about the next steps that France would take to slow down the spread of the virus. The French President spoke to the nation last night and announced further restrictions on physical interaction, intended to slow down the spread of the virus and thereby help health care professionals deal with patients without being overwhelmed. A transcription of his allocution can be found <a href="here">here</a> in French. For English-language news about the situation in France you can consult <a href="France 24">France 24</a> or the <a href="French International Radio">French International Radio</a>.

If you are in France we urge you to respect these new measures and to stay at home. If you go out, you must carry a note justifying why you are leaving your house (grocery shopping, trip to the pharmacy or doctor, exercise, etc.). Members of staff are happy to guide you. A sample form is attached but you can also write it by hand. Blank forms can be found here.

If you are feeling ill please contact your general practitioner and do not call the emergency number 15 unless you have severe respiratory symptoms. If you are looking to travel back to your home country, contact your country's consulate for the latest update on travel restrictions. Although there are restrictions on non-essential travel, the possibility for foreign nationals to return to their home country remains. Please continue to reach out to us with questions and simply to stay in touch, we are here to support you. Sincerely,

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