January 22, 2010

Dear Colleagues:

On behalf of the 2010 Local Arrangements Committee (LAC), we invite you to attend the 83rd Annual Meeting of the American Association for the History of Medicine (AAHM) from April 29 – May 2, 2010, in Rochester, Minnesota. We are very enthusiastic about hosting the meeting and have been gratified by reports from the Program Committee that describe a record number of excellent abstracts.

The Kahler Grand Hotel (www.thekahlerhotel.com/) is the AAHM meeting headquarters and official hotel. The hotel is located just a few hundred feet from the Mayo Clinic (www.mayoclinic.org) and is connected to Clinic buildings and other AAHM meeting locations by a convenient skyway and pedestrian subway system. The hotel and Mayo Clinic are located in the hub of downtown Rochester with easy access to a wide range of restaurants and shops. To help you plan your stay, including the air, car, and Amtrak travel options to Rochester, and to learn more about what Rochester has to offer, please visit the Rochester Convention and Visitors Bureau website at (www.rochestercvb.org/). The skyway and subway systems make it easy to navigate through downtown Rochester without going outdoors in inclement weather. The close proximity to Mayo Clinic will offer an opportunity to explore its public areas, and architecture during the meeting.

Hotel Reservations: A block of rooms has been reserved at the Kahler Grand Hotel for meeting participants at a discounted rate of $110 (+ 11% tax) per night, single/double occupancy or student rate of $59 (+ 11% tax) per night, single/double occupancy. Call 1-800-533-1655 to make your room reservation and indicate that you are attending the American Association for the History of Medicine meeting to get the discounted rate. In addition, a block of rooms has been reserved at the Marriott Hotel, located across the street from the Kahler Grand Hotel and connected to the Kahler via the pedestrian subway and skyway systems. The discounted rate for AAHM members is $143 (+ 11% tax) per night at the Marriott. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-228-9290. Please note that sleeping rooms are limited, and you are encouraged to make your reservations early.

Meeting Registration: Online registration is available at AAHM 2010 Registration.

The 2010 annual meeting is being locally managed by the Mayo Clinic through the Mayo School of Continuous Professional Development. For any questions regarding the meeting, please contact Renee Ziemer at ziemer.renee@mayo.edu or 507-284-2585 or Kari Schilling at schilling.kari@mayo.edu or 507-284-4370.

We look forward to welcoming you to Rochester.

Sincerely,

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