

CAS COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) FAQ

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1. Q: Is the CAS concerned about the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak?

A: The health and safety of CAS members, candidates, conference attendees, volunteers, and staff is of the utmost importance and we are closely monitoring the latest developments with COVID-19. As the impact of the coronavirus evolves, you can count on the CAS to monitor the situation on a daily basis and share information as to how it impacts CAS business operations. We will advise affected parties as soon as possible should COVID-19 affect any planned CAS events.

2. Q: How will the coronavirus outbreak affect the upcoming exam sittings?

A: Per CAS President Steve Armstrong's communication to candidates on April 7th, the CAS has made the difficult decision to cancel the exams originally scheduled to be held later this month. While CAS previously announced that it would be postponing the exams, with plans for administering the exams in June, it was decided that the best course of action is to proceed with a full cancellation at this time. Exams 7 and 9, which are normally administered in April, will be administered this October instead.

All candidates who registered for an April exam will have their registration automatically transferred to the fall sitting. The schedule for administering Exams 7 and 9 will be determined as soon as possible and announced to registrants of those exams directly. If you would no longer like to sit for your registered exam in the fall and prefer a refund, please contact the CAS at refund@casact.org. We will also accept new registrations for the fall sitting; registration will open during the summer.

For full details, please see the complete update from Steve Armstrong on the [COVID-19 update page](#), or visit [the dedicated FAQ](#) on the CAS website. If there are any additional questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to the Actuaries' Resource Center at arc@casact.org.

3. Q: Is the CAS planning to cancel any upcoming seminars or meetings as a result of the coronavirus outbreak?

A: The CAS has made several adjustments to upcoming events in light of the coronavirus outbreak. The 2020 RPM Seminar & Workshops, originally scheduled to take place March 23-25, 2020 in New Orleans, will [now be held virtually](#) from July 28-29, 2020. The CAS also [recently announced plans](#) to move the [CAS Spring Meeting](#) originally scheduled for May 11-13 in Chicago, IL, to a virtual event taking place on those dates; the [CAS Seminar on Reinsurance](#) has also been moved to a virtual format during its originally scheduled dates (June 1-2, 2020). For any additional events, such as upcoming Course on Professionalism events, the CAS will continue to closely monitor the circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 outbreak and will update attendees via email and on individual event pages if there are any changes to those meetings. The CAS will issue full refunds for all events cancelled by the CAS.

4. Q: Since the CAS and regional affiliates are cancelling in-person events, what options do I have for virtual continuing education programs through the CAS?

A: CAS members have a variety of opportunities to participate in virtual continuing education programs through the CAS:

- **Live Webinars**

- o The CAS hosts a variety of live webinars throughout the year; see <https://www.pathlms.com/cas/events#live-events-content> for details.

- o We have also made available a special multiple-connection, half-year subscription option for employers looking for a discounted option; see <https://www.casact.org/press/index.cfm?fa=viewArticle&articleID=4656>
 - **Virtual Events**
 - o ERMM for CERA Seminar, April 27-29: <https://www.casact.org/CERA/index.cfm?fa=seminar>
 - o 2020 Virtual Spring Meeting, May 11-13: <https://www.casact.org/spring/>
 - o Virtual Seminar on Reinsurance, June 1-2: <https://www.casact.org/reinsurance/>
 - o Reserving Bootcamp, June 3-24: https://www.casact.org/education/virtual/2020/index.cfm?fa=reserving_bootcamp
 - o Virtual RPM Seminar, July 28-29: <https://www.casact.org/rpm/>
 - o In Focus Virtual Seminar, October 20-22, topic to be determined
 - **On Demand Content**
 - o The University of CAS offers continuing education on demand, including recordings from past seminars, webinars, microlearning courses, interactive online courses and more: www.casact.org/UCAS
- 5. Q: I have an in-person CAS committee meeting and/or other CAS volunteer engagement coming up; will that continue as planned?**
- A: No, all planned in-person CAS committee and other meetings through the end of May have either been cancelled, postponed, or transitioned to a virtual meeting. If you have an in-person CAS committee or other meeting on your calendars and have not heard about any changes to plans for the meeting, please contact your designated staff liaison to confirm the new plans for the meeting.
- 6. Q: I'm representing the CAS internationally at an upcoming event. Will that travel move forward as planned?**
- A: As a precautionary measure, effective immediately all international CAS business travel will be temporarily on hold until April 30, 2020, pending a review of travel recommendations at that time. Additionally, no international CAS business travel should be booked beyond April 30 without the consent of the CAS CEO. If you have already booked travel beyond April, please let your designated staff liaison know and CAS will evaluate on or before the end of April the need for such travel. ["International" is loosely defined as traveling outside one's home country, but the US and Canada is an example of one exception. Other definitions of "international" for countries that are contiguous can be evaluated on a case by case basis.]
- 7. Q: Who should I contact at CAS with additional questions about the coronavirus and its impact on CAS operations?**
- A: Please reach out to the Actuaries' Resource Center at arc@casact.org with additional questions on this topic.