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EDITORIAL

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We hope to end the year 2019 with a big bang by coming out with this issue to keep our journal on track with our releases. Indeed, a big bang as each issue comes out from nothing and the forces joined and stars aligned that we are now coming out with an issue with several original articles, a case series and a feature article.

2019 is an "Infectious Year." A year when we were optimistic that great strides in ID will be seen and felt, instead we here in the Philippines had one outbreak to the next- from measles to dengue. A year when we had the re-emergence of the dreaded polio. A year when rise in HIV cases is unprecedented. We have not wavered though. We are staunch advocates, living by our oath and finding all means to protect children from dreaded infectious diseases.

While Big Bang mainly refers to the cosmic explosion or is associated with the banking and finance event in 1986, it could very well mean any sudden forceful beginning or a radical change. We at the PIDSP Journal are hopeful that the coming years will bring about a positive radical change in the landscape of Pediatric Infectious Diseases from keeping up with the technology to spread our advocacies #vaccinesavelives, to learning via the online platform, to getting hold of newer ID diagnostic tests and furthering research to answer more questions. On our journal's journey, we hope for a forceful beginning in 2020 as we aspire for our lofty goals to give our readers valuable information and sound scientific data put out on time one issue at a time.