### APPD CALENDAR

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<td>Your program’s invoice was emailed to the categorical program director and their coordinator in late June.  <strong>Please respond immediately if your program’s dues have not been paid!</strong> CONTACT <a href="mailto:daglyn@appd.org">daglyn@appd.org</a> TO RECEIVE A LINK TO YOUR INVOICE!</td>
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1) **APPD Program Director School (APPD PDS) – Candidates for Council (DEADLINE: September 30)**

The APPD is implementing and forming the highly requested APPD Program Director School (PDS) and is soliciting candidates to serve on the Council. Experienced pediatric residency educators interested in bringing their expertise in the areas of residency program management and leadership to the APPD PDS Council are encouraged to apply!

Council members will be responsible for developing and delivering curriculum for the APPD PDS. We are anticipating that the Council will be formed by the end of this calendar year and will begin with an orientation session and inaugural meeting of the Council just prior to or after the APPD Annual Spring Meeting in San Antonio, TX (March 28-31, 2012). The information sheet at this link includes the criteria and process for selection of PDS Council members:

http://www.appd.org/members_only/SchoolAnnounce.cfm

Complete applications should be received in the APPD office by September 30, 2011.

For further information, please contact Ann Burke ann.burke@wright.edu or Laura Degnon, at 703-556-9222 or laura@appd.org.

2) **APPD 2012 Annual Spring Meeting – Call for Abstracts Deadline: October 5**

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS, WORKSHOPS, MINI-COURSES**

APPD 2012 Annual Spring Meeting in San Antonio, TX
March 28-31, 2012

Meeting Theme - *The Evolution of Residency Training: Adapting and Innovating in a New Era*

Preliminary Schedule

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: October 5, 2011**

http://www.appd.org/ws_submission/abstract12/index.cfm

We look forward to an exciting meeting this year in San Antonio. The APPD will continue our new and well-received platform session for the top educational research projects and more integrated Task Force activities.

We are offering a new format to the program, the Mini-Course, which we
hope will add to the already rich learning opportunities offered at the annual meeting. The Mentorship Program, workshops, poster research/curricular innovation presentations and our traditional plenary symposium will be presented. We consider it our mission to highlight best practices and, therefore, encourage submission of abstracts and workshops that present innovative curriculum or processes as residency training continues to evolve.

In addition to General Research and Descriptive posters, Quality Improvement Research is now a specialty area of our poster session. We strongly encourage the submission of resident/fellow-driven Quality Improvement projects. We recognize the importance of highlighting resident/fellow-driven quality projects as a way of promoting the academic products of strong quality improvement curricular efforts. The QI poster submissions must have a resident or fellow as the primary author. We will follow the SQUIRE guidelines (http://www.squire-statement.org/guidelines/) when scoring QI posters. QI abstracts should be summarized with an introduction, methods, results and discussion similar to a research poster. We require a specific aim statement, well-delineated measures, a clear description of the intervention and the PDSA cycles needed to achieve the intended goals, and data analysis that includes the use of formal quality improvement methods (i.e. process control charts).

**Scoring Rubrics for APPD 2012 Annual Spring Meeting:**

- Workshop
- Mini-Course
- Research abstracts
- Descriptive abstracts
- Resident-Driven QI Project (emphasis on educational curriculum improvement)

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### 3) APPD Response to draft Pediatric Program Requirements

The official response from the APPD to the draft Pediatric Program Requirements was submitted to the ACGME Review Committee for Pediatrics on August 31st. Please see the final letter as posted on the APPD website:


Thanks to the dozens of members who contributed through member conference calls in late July and early August. Additional summaries of the calls are also on the website. We will keep members updated on the final ACGME requirements once they are posted, and also continue communications regarding additional new PIFs and FAQs as information becomes available.

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### 4) APPD 2011 Fall Meeting Follow-up

A record number of enthusiastic attendees (over 200) came together in Arlington, VA three weeks ago for the APPD 2011 Fall Meeting. Beginning with an inspiring Keynote Message from Dr. Joe Gilhooly, the conference presented numerous opportunities for improvement of individual skills, program outcomes and a great deal of networking. Available meeting presentations and handouts...
have been posted on the APPD website, in the APPD Share Warehouse and are available at the link below.

Meeting Presentations/Handouts:  http://www.appd.org/Meetings/2011FallMeetingPres.cfm

Final Program:  http://www.appd.org/meetings/PDF/APPD2011FallFinalPrgm.pdf

CME Certificates/Evaluations:  If you attended the meeting and have not completed the online evaluation survey, please contact Kathy Haynes Johnson kathy@appd.org for further information.  CME certificates will be sent to eligible attendees 7-10 days following completion of the survey.

Makes plans now to attend the **APPD 2012 Fall Meeting**:  October 3-5, 2012 at the Renaissance Arlington Capital View, Arlington, VA.

### 5) "Positions Available" Postings on Website

Since the last APPD Bulletin, **TWO** new positions have been posted.  To view all job descriptions, go to http://www.appd.org/communications/positions.cfm

If you have posted a position available in the past which has been filled, please remember to let the APPD office know (info@appd.org) so that the posting may be removed.

### 6) Pediatric Hospital Medicine 2012 Meeting – Call for Submitted Content

Pediatric Hospital Medicine 2012 will be held July 19-22, 2012 in Cincinnati, Ohio.  This conference is the leading educational conference for pediatric hospitalists involved in improvement of healthcare systems and healthcare delivery for pediatric inpatients.  Pediatric hospital medicine is a rapidly growing field, with approximately 2,000 pediatricians identifying as hospitalists.  This meeting has grown in tandem with the increasing engagement of pediatric hospitalists in education, advocacy, research, quality improvement, business and leadership in inpatient medicine.  For previous year’s meeting details, please see http://academicpeds.org/specialInterestGroups/sig_inpatient_med.cfm.  The conference theme for 2012 is “The Future of Hospitalized Children is in Our Hands” and it will be held at Cincinnati Children’s.

A call for Submitted Content went out on September 7, 2011.  Submitted content could include topics in Quality Improvement/Safety, Research, Education, Practice Management, or Clinical areas.  Submissions include hands-on workshops and, this year, formal didactic lectures.  The online submission platform may be accessed at the following link: https://www.degnon.org/secure/apa/hosmed12/.