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1) APPD FORUM FOR FELLOWSHIP DIRECTORS AT PAS – CALL FOR WORKSHOPS

You are encouraged to submit workshop proposals for possible presentation at the one-day APPD Forum for Fellowship Directors, scheduled for Friday, April 29th, just prior to the PAS Meeting in Baltimore, MD.

Submitted workshop proposals should specifically target pediatric subspecialty program directors. Possible topics include fellow education and evaluation, fellow or faculty mentorship, incorporating quality improvement methods into training programs, meeting the core curriculum requirements, fellow recruitment, models of scholarship oversight and clinical competency committees, and faculty development. Workshops should include at least two learning objectives and target approximately 90 minutes in duration with extensive audience participation.

The deadline for workshop proposal submissions for the APPD Forum for Fellowship Directors is Monday, January 11, 2016. Workshops should be submitted through the online submission system.

Should you have questions of any kind, please send an e-mail to info@appd.org.

We look forward to your submission and seeing you in Baltimore!

The APPD Fellowship Directors’ Executive Committee
Geoffrey Fleming
Bruce Herman
Kathy Mason
Kammy McGann
Angie Myers
Phina Weiss

2) APPD 2016 Annual Spring Meeting – CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

March 30-April 2, 2016 in New Orleans, Louisiana
New Orleans Marriott

Special Interest Symposia ~ Call for Abstracts – DEADLINE January 25, 2016
Thursday, March 31st from 10:15-11:45am

If you are interested in submitting a proposal for one of seven topic symposia (Assessment, Curriculum, Faculty & Professional Development, Global Health in Pediatrics, Learning Technology, Research & Scholarship, or Under-Represented Minorities in Pediatrics) please submit online by Monday, January 25th. Keep in mind that a single presenter cannot present at multiple symposia, but an institution or training program may send representatives to more than one. APPD Special Interest Symposia Abstract Submission Site

You will be notified of your acceptance status by Monday, February 22nd. Instructions will then be provided to you with
further details and deadlines. Please note that your final submission will be posted electronically after the conference. We look forward to receiving your abstract submissions. Please do not hesitate to contact us at info@appd.org if you have questions about any of the following Special Interest Symposia.

**Trainee - Lead Author Abstract Submission Site - DEADLINE February 15, 2016**

(This opportunity for scholarship is available to *all* trainees, not just those trainees who are APPD members!)

By late-December, 2015, the primary leader of workshops and posters submitted during the early submission period will receive email notification of whether or not their abstract has been accepted. Primary leaders who are trainees, residents, or fellows will be notified by mid-February, 2016.

3) **APPD Share Warehouse Redesign: December 2015 updates!**

Thanks to everyone for their great contributions and input in redesigning and continuing to improve the Share Warehouse!

New updates include:

- Easy ability to contribute materials for sharing with our APPD online community
- Browsing and searching can now be done by author, institution, categories, and date.
- Save your previous searches to easily access them later
- An individual report can be generated of your material, its preview/download use by members, and your most recent searches.
- Our redesign and editorial group will continue to oversee the site and designation of peer-reviewed contributed content.

What can you do to immediately get involved as an APPD member? SUBMIT your great work to the APPD SHARE WAREHOUSE!

It is incredibly easy to SUBMIT your material! Log-in as a member, and share your great work now. The uploads are instantaneous and immediately available for all to view and use! Sharing your materials is another great vehicle to further collaborate and innovate together with other APPD members. Visit the Share Warehouse page HERE.

With best regards,
Abhay Dandekar, MD
APPD Share Warehouse Redesign Team Director

4) **ABP: Revised Eligibility Criteria for Subspecialty Certification**

Gail McGuinness from the ABP recently sent an email reminding us all of changes to ACGME requirements for subspecialty training. Her email has generated some questions about this change. The core of the issue is that the ACGME will require, beginning in 2016, all subspecialty trainees in pediatrics to have received qualifying training from an ACGME/RCPSC accredited program to be eligible for certification in the subspecialty. The rationale for this change is to ensure a standardization of quality in the core specialty to accompany subspecialty training.

There is language included by the ACGME in the change to allow exceptions for special circumstances by which an applicant may undertake “reverse training” with subspecialty training preceding core training. This exception requires pre-approval, and details are outlined in the following ACGME document (See Section III.A.2.b)


Geoffrey M. Fleming M.D.
Chair, FPD Executive Committee
5) **APPD ON THE MOVE! (Transitions/Awards)**

**APPD on the Move**

Susan Bostwick, MD Elected President-Elect of Academic Pediatric Association

Susan Bostwick, MD  
Executive Vice Chair  
New York Presbyterian - Weill Cornell

Dr. Bostwick is Professor of Clinical Pediatrics at Weill Cornell Medical College, where she serves as the Executive Vice-Chair for Education and Administration and the Division Chief of General Academic Pediatrics. Dr. Bostwick is currently the Associate Director of Pediatric Graduate Medical Education, after serving more than 10 years as the Program Director at New York Presbyterian Hospital, Weill Cornell (NYPH-WC). She is an inaugural member of the APPD LEAD Council and has served as APPD LEAD Council Chair since 2014. Dr. Bostwick was the past-chair of the APPD Curriculum Task Force, where she was involved in the development of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Breastfeeding curriculum and the APPD/COMSEP Subinternship curriculum. Congratulations on this tremendous accomplishment!

6) **APPD Mid-Atlantic Region Research Grant Awards**

Following its annual resident research competition, the Mid-Atlantic region was pleased to award three $1000 grants this fall. The research competition has been developed in order to support research which is initiated, designed, and executed by resident physicians. The projects receiving grants this year were:

**Resident Wellness Program**  
Katie Juromski, Brian W. Sykes, Akhila Shapiro, Amy Orlansky  
*Thomas Jefferson University Hospital & the Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children*

**Sleep Patterns in Pediatric Residents**  
Laura Malchodi and Molly Childers  
*National Capital Consortium*

**Improvement of Situational Awareness and Contingency Planning through Just-in-Time Simulation**  
Taylor Wheaton and Emmanuelle Topiol  
*St. Christopher’s Hospital for Children*

All grant recipients presented their proposals at the regional meeting at A.I. duPont Hospital for Children in September and will present their findings at either a regional or national meeting upon completion of the projects.
7) APPD Coordinators’ Section Newsletter: December coorCOMM

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8) Breaking News from Affiliated Organizations

ACGME Update on Duty Hour Multicenter Trials
Update to Tom Nasca’s March 2014 letter announcing the ACGME’s support of two large, multicenter clinical trials investigating the impact of duty hour standards on patient safety and resident education.

AAMC
As we approach the residency application season, the AAMC offers the Residency Program Guide to Considering Candidates with DACA Status as recommended reading for residency program directors and DIOs on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). The guide is produced by the Pre-Health Dreamers and provides an overview of DACA and how programs might consider students from U.S. MD medical schools who are of DACA status. If you have additional questions please contact Dr. Angela Chuan-Ru Chen at Angela@phdreamers.org

ABP: Revised Eligibility Criteria for Subspecialty Certification
Beginning in 2016, all required clinical education for entry into ACGME-accredited fellowship programs must be completed in an ACGME-accredited residency program, or in an RCPSC-accredited or CFPC-accredited residency program located in Canada, unless granted an exception by the GME office of the training institution.

The ABP relies on ACGME to accredit training leading to certification and is unable to allow non-accredited training to be recognized toward its certifying examinations. As a result, ABP wishes to include in its Fellowship Tracking System only fellows who are reported to ACGME as trainees in the accredited fellowship program. The ABP is unable to accept individuals for certification in a pediatric subspecialty who complete non-accredited fellowship training, even if the training completed is comparable to training completed by fellows recognized by ACGME.

We have revised the General Eligibility Criteria for Certification in the Pediatric Subspecialties to reflect this policy. We ask that program directors ensure that all individuals who complete subspecialty training in a parallel, non-accredited training track understand that they will not be eligible for ABP subspecialty certification.

Gail A. McGuinness, MD
Executive Vice President
American Board of Pediatrics

ABP to Pilot Completely Different Type of MOC Assessment

ACGME: Review Committee News: Pediatrics - Updated FAQ Document
The Review Committee for Pediatrics has posted a minor revision to its FAQ document on the Review Committee web page. The revised FAQ addresses the use of Entrustable Professional Activities (EPAs) by programs and clarification regarding who may serve in the role of program leadership liaison.

Professionals Accelerating Clinical and Educational Redesign (PACER) Update

MOC Orientation Slides
Dr. Virginia Moyer, ABP Vice President for Maintenance of Certification and Quality, has created MOC Orientation Slides and has given permission to APPD to share this with all pediatric residency and fellowship directors. It outlines the rationale behind MOC and the various ways to meet MOC requirements for the ABP, along with information about MOC as it relates to residents and fellows.

Delaying the Pediatric Fellowship Start Date to Improve Trainee Well-Being
Action Team recommendations to delay the start date of fellowship training were published in the August issue of the
**Journal of Pediatrics.**

**MOC for Residents Now Available!**
As of Spring 2015, residents will be able to earn MOC credit for approved quality improvement work completed during residency. They can then apply credit earned toward their MOC activities cycle once they pass their initial American Board of Pediatrics (ABP) certifying examination. You can participate with Residents and earn your MOC Performance in Practice (Part 4) credit. The new Motivational Interviewing PIM (login required) was especially designed for residency faculty dyads. Learn more about MOC for Residents by visiting www.abp.org/content/moc-for-your-residents

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9) **“Positions Available” Postings on Website**

Since the last APPD Bulletin, SIX new positions have been posted. To view all job descriptions, go to: http://www.appd.org/communications/positions.cfm. Simply click on a job header to read more about the position.

If you have posted a position available in the past which has been filled, please remember to inform the APPD office (info@appd.org) so that the posting may be removed. It is our policy to remove positions from the page after three months unless a request to extend is received.

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