The monthly APPD Bulletin is one of many member benefits.

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1) **APPD CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: DEADLINE DECEMBER 14TH**

The Association of Pediatric Program Directors’ Nominations Committee is soliciting nominations for the following positions, with each term of office to begin April 2016:

- **APPD Secretary-Treasurer** (three year term, 2016-2019)
- One **At-Large Member of the Board of Directors** (three-year term, 2016-2019)
- One **APPD Nominations Committee Member** (two-year term, 2016-2018)
- One **Chair-Elect of the Associate Program Directors' Section Executive Committee** (three-year term, 2016-2019) – to serve as Chair-Elect (2016-2017), Chair (2017-2018), Immediate Past Chair (2018-2019)
- One **Chair-Elect of the Coordinators' Section Executive Committee** (three-year term, 2016-2019) – to serve as Chair-Elect (2016-2017), Chair (2017-2018), Immediate Past Chair (2018-2019)
- One **Chair-Elect of the Fellowship Directors' Section Executive Committee** (three-year term, 2016-2019) – to serve as Chair-Elect (2016-2017), Chair (2017-2018), Immediate Past Chair (2018-2019)
- One **At-Large Associate Program Directors' Section Executive Committee Member** (three-year term, 2016-2019)
- One **At-Large Coordinators' Section Executive Committee Member** (three-year term, 2016-2019)
- One **At-Large Fellowship Directors' Section Executive Committee Member** (three-year term, 2016-2019)

**Full Position Descriptions**

All nominations should be sent / emailed to the APPD office info@appd.org no later than December 14th and must include a letter of support, plus a biosketch and photo of the nominee. **Nominees must be current APPD members through their pediatric program membership.**

After the deadline, the Nominations Committee will convene to review nominations, make recommendations to the Board of Directors and finalize the ballot by mid to late January.

You may self-nominate (please send a letter of interest and provide a letter of support from someone who knows you well and can address your qualifications for the role). This is a great opportunity for you or a colleague to get more involved in the growth and development of the APPD.

If you have questions, please contact the APPD office at info@appd.org.

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2) **APPD 2016 Annual Spring Meeting**

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

**Preliminary Schedule**

**Registration Fees**

**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!)

*In early- to mid-December, 2015, the primary leader 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 LEAD: New Council Member Selected**

The APPD LEAD Council is very pleased to announce the selection of a new Council member — Rebecca Swan, MD. Rebecca is well known to many of us as the director of the pediatrics residency training program at Vanderbilt for over 13 years. Rebecca has led the Vanderbilt program through many changes over her tenure and, in addition, has held leadership positions within the APPD as Chair of the Southeast Region and with the AAMC Southern Group on Educational Affairs Steering Committee as GME representative. Her scholarship has included work regarding direct observations and curriculum development. In addition to local teaching awards, Rebecca was also the recipient of the prestigious ACGME Parker J. Palmer "Courage to Teach Award". Rebecca will be an outstanding addition to the Council, bringing her leadership, mentorship, collaboration, and teaching experience to our team.

![Rebecca Swan, MD](image)

4) **St. Gême Leadership Award - Call for Nominations**

Call for Nominations for the Joseph W. St. Gême, Jr. Leadership Award – Deadline: December 14

*Nominations accepted from individual members*

**Full Description of St. Gême Leadership Award**

**Criteria for Selection**
1. The individual must be a pediatrician who is perceived as a role model for others to emulate, as a clinician, an educator, and/or an investigator.
2. The individual must be a leader who has "created a future" for pediatrics and for children and has played an active role in one or more organizations sponsoring this award.
3. The individual should preferably have a record of broad sustained contributions to pediatrics that have had or will have a major impact on child health.
4. The individual must be currently active in pediatrics.
5. The individual can be a retired member of any of the pediatric organizations sponsoring this award.

**Nominations**
Society nominations, individual nominations and self-nominations are accepted. Please forward the name of the nominee, a letter of support, and an updated CV to Katy Matthews (kmathews@aap.org) by Monday, December 14, 2015.

5) **APPD ON THE MOVE! (Transitions/Awards)**

**APPD on the Move**
Mary Ottolini, MD, MPH, Awarded Parker J. Palmer Courage to Lead Award (awarded to DIOs)

Mary Ottolini, MD, MPH
DIO / Vice Chair for Pediatric Medical Education
Children’s National Health System

The Parker J. Palmer Courage to Lead Award is presented each year to up to three designated institutional officials who have demonstrated strong leadership and astute resource management and who have also encourage innovation and improvement in residency programs and their sponsoring institutions. Designated institutional officials, or DIOs, have authority and responsibility for all graduate medical education programs in a teaching hospital, community hospital or other type of institution that sponsors residency programs.

Alexander Djuricich, MD and Eileen Klein, MD, MPH, Awarded Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award (awarded to program directors)

Alexander Djuricich, MD
Program Director, Med-Peds
Indiana University School of Medicine / J.W. Riley Hospital for Children

Eileen Klein, MD, MPH
Emergency Medicine Fellowship Program Director
University of Washington School of Medicine, Seattle Children’s Hospital

The Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award, honors program directors who find innovative ways to teach residents and to provide quality health care while remaining connected to the initial impulse to care for others in this environment.
Awardees will be honored at a luncheon during the 2016 ACGME Annual Educational Conference in National Harbor, Maryland.

If you or a colleague have news to share (APPD members only) which showcases APPD members experiencing position changes and retirements, and recognizing APPD members who are recipients of national, regional or local awards, please send a brief (one short paragraph) report, and include a photo for publication to info@appd.org. We will be counting on our members to help populate this section of the Bulletin.

6) 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
Pnina Weiss

7) Breaking News from Affiliated Organizations

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.

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

8) “Positions Available” Postings on Website
Since the last APPD Bulletin, THREE 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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