



## February 2010 LISTSERV

The monthly APPD Listserv is one of many member benefits.

### APPD CALENDAR:

Calendar Item	Deadline / Dates	Additional info / website
<b>Call for Nominations:</b> Robert S. Holm, MD Leadership Award; Walter W. Tunnessen, Jr., MD Award for the Advancement of Ped. Resident Education	<b>February 12, 2010</b>	<a href="http://www.appd.org/holmaward.html">www.appd.org/holmaward.html</a> <a href="http://www.appd.org/tunnessenaward.html">www.appd.org/tunnessenaward.html</a>
<b>APPD Special Projects</b> (initial application due)	<b>February 17, 2010</b>	<a href="http://www.appd.org/PDFs/RFPForSP.pdf">www.appd.org/PDFs/RFPForSP.pdf</a>
<b>APPD Mentoring Program</b>	<b>Register by March 1st</b>	Available to meeting registrants and non-meeting attendees (see # 5 below).
<b>APPD Election</b>	<b>Voting Ends: March 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Election materials were emailed to Program Director and designated Residency Coordinator in January.
<b>APPD 2010 Annual Spring Meeting</b> (Hilton Chicago, 720 South Michigan Ave)	<b>April 15-18, 2010</b> Early Registration: March 14th	<a href="http://www.appd.org/PDFs/PreliminaryProgram2010.pdf">http://www.appd.org/PDFs/PreliminaryProgram2010.pdf</a>
<b>APPD Forum for Fellowship Directors</b> (prior to PAS Meeting- Vancouver, BC)	<b>April 30, 2010</b> Early Registration: April 2nd	<a href="http://www.appd.org/PDFs/FellowshipMeeting.pdf">http://www.appd.org/PDFs/FellowshipMeeting.pdf</a>
<b>APPD 2010 Fall Meeting</b> Reston, VA	<b>Sept. 19-21, 2010</b>	<a href="http://www.appd.org/meeting.html">www.appd.org/meeting.html</a>
<b>APA – APPD Leadership Conference</b> Reston, VA	<b>Sept. 21-22, 2010</b>	Co-sponsored by APPD, this conference immediately follows the APPD 2010 Fall Meeting. More details will be forthcoming in the near future.

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### 1) APPD Holm and Tunnessen Awards: Nomination Deadline *this Friday, February 12th*

**Robert S. Holm, MD Leadership Award** - to honor a Program Director or Associate Program Director from current or past program leadership for extraordinary contribution(s) in program leadership or in support of other pediatric program directors as a mentor, advisor or role model for the many duties and responsibilities of the position

**Walter W. Tunnessen, Jr., MD Award** – to honor a Program Director or Associate Program Director from current or past program leadership for extraordinary or innovative contribution(s) in pediatric graduate medical education

To Nominate: identify your nominee and send a brief (less than 250 word) paragraph supporting your nomination to [info@appd.org](mailto:info@appd.org) by **February 12, 2010**. **Please note that nominees must be or have been members of APPD.**

### 2) APPD Request for Special Projects

For the fifth year, the Association of Pediatric Program Directors (APPD) Special Projects Program will provide financial support for projects in the areas of learning technology, residency curriculum, educational research, residency evaluation and/or faculty development. (To access a list of funded project titles from 2005-2009, please go to: [http://www.appd.org/pdfs/Special\\_Projects\\_2005\\_2009.pdf](http://www.appd.org/pdfs/Special_Projects_2005_2009.pdf) )

The APPD may grant up to \$10,000 per selected project, drawing upon APPD funds. The Board of Directors will determine the funds available for this program annually. The number of awards will be dependent on the funds available and the size of the grant requests of the selected projects. Initial proposals must be received by **February 17, 2010**. For more information see the complete RFP at <http://www.appd.org/PDFs/RFPForSP.pdf>.

### 3) APPD 2010 Election

Voting is on-going through March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:59 pm eastern time for the following open leadership positions: President, Secretary/Treasurer, Two (2) At-Large Board Members, Nominating Committee Member, and Two (2) Coordinators' Executive Committee Members.

**Each program has \*ONE\* vote for each open position.** Votes for APPD Officers, At-Large Board Members and Nominating Committee Members will be cast by the Pediatric Residency Program Director on behalf of the entire program. Votes for the Coordinators' Executive Committee will be cast by the *designated* Pediatric Residency Coordinator (one per program) or, if there is no one in that position or no one was designated, the Program Director will cast that vote as well. All members were encouraged to review and discuss the candidates before their program's vote was cast.

### 4) APPD 2010 Annual Meeting – Registration Now Open!

Registration has opened for the upcoming APPD 2010 Annual Meeting , April 15-18 at the Hilton Chicago (**720 South Michigan Avenue**). <http://www.appd.org/PDFs/PreliminaryProgram2010.pdf>

Please review the exciting educational program planned around the theme **“Innovations in Pediatric Education: Evidence and Experience”** and send in your registration form! (For your convenience, a pdf of the program is attached to this email.)

The program includes a Pre-Conference Workshop on *TeamSTEPSTM Application to Pediatric Residents and Fellows*, Forum for Small Programs/Affiliate Chairs, Forum for Chief Residents, several Coordinators' Sessions, Grassroots Sessions for Program Directors and Associate Program Directors, 4

separate Workshop sessions with a wide-variety of choices, Poster Session, Regional Breakfasts, and a wonderful opportunity to network and learn from others.

**APPD 2010 Annual Meeting**

**April 15-18, 2010**

**Hilton Chicago**

**<http://www.appd.org/PDFs/PreliminaryProgram2010.pdf>**

Early Registration: Registrations received by March 14<sup>th</sup> qualify for Early Registration discounts. In addition, for every three fully paid registrations from your program, a fourth person may register at no charge (by March 14<sup>th</sup>).

**Hotel Reservations:** Reservations should be made online by visiting **<http://www.appd.org/hilton10.cfm>** or you may call the hotel directly at **1-877-865-5320**. Be sure to tell them you are with the Association of Pediatric Program Directors' meeting. Rooms are filling up fast, so you are encouraged to reserve soon. The APPD rate is good through March 15, 2010 or as long as rooms remain available.

## **5) New APPD Mentoring Program – Two Mentoring Options**

In response to requests made by the APPD membership, the APPD Mentorship Program has been revised. The ***New APPD Mentoring Program*** is designed to support educators in meeting their career, program, and personal goals related to residency education.

**Both Mentors and Mentees are encouraged to participate in one of the two following modes of mentoring**, to be offered at the 2010 Spring Meeting:

- Traditional Dyadic Mentoring
- Facilitated Peer Group Mentoring

In traditional dyadic mentoring, one mentor is matched with one mentee based on common interests and often, geography. The dyad participates in a bi-directional relationship. In facilitated peer group mentoring, a senior mentor is assigned to a small group of mentees. The group members serve as peer mentors to each other while working on common interests or projects. The process is facilitated by the senior mentor, often a content expert. An example of facilitated peer group mentorship includes the design and presentation of the "Leading from the Middle" workshops at the national meetings, designed by a group of Associate Program Directors.

If you are interested in participating at the Annual Meeting as a Mentor or Mentee, please check the appropriate boxes on the registration form. The leadership of the APPD Mentoring Program will be in contact with you prior to the meeting in April.

In order to take part in this program at the Annual Meeting, **we ask that you register by March 1st.**

Special Note: participation is open to non-attendees as well. Please notify the APPD office ([info@appd.org](mailto:info@appd.org)) by March 1<sup>st</sup> if you are interested in serving as a Mentor or Mentee.

## 6) APPD Forum for Fellowship Directors – Registration Now Open!

In addition to course offerings at the APPD 2010 Annual Meeting in Chicago (April 15-18), subspecialty directors are invited to attend the all-day, intensive Forum for Fellowship Directors, scheduled for Friday, April 30, *just prior to the PAS Meeting in Vancouver.*

Highlights include valuable morning updates from other national organizations, followed by three essential workshops and an interesting panel discussion on site visits.

**APPD Forum for Fellowship Directors**  
**Friday, April 30, 2010**  
**Fairmont Waterfront Hotel, Vancouver, BC**  
**<http://www.appd.org/PDFs/FellowshipMeeting.pdf>**

## 7) APPD General Discussion Board

Many new topics and responses have been posted on the Discussion Board (press CTRL+ click to follow link below) :

**[Online learning modules](#)**  
**[Tracks within a residency curriculum](#)**  
**[International medical schools](#)**  
**[Recruitment](#)**  
**[Re: Recruitment](#)**  
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Don't miss this opportunity to share your experiences and thoughts with other APPD members. Please visit the General Discussion Board to post a message or begin a new thread. You will need your user name (first initial and last name together) and your password to access the Discussion Board. If you've forgotten or never knew your password, you may request it by entering your user name, click to get your password, and then enter the email address where you receive APPD emails. Your password will be emailed to that address.

- ~ Go to [www.appd.org](http://www.appd.org)
- ~ Click on "discussion group"
- ~ Enter your user name and password
- ~ Click on "discussion groups"
- ~ Click on "General Discussion Board"

## 8) "Positions Available" Postings on Website

Since the last APPD listserv, **TWENTY-TWO** new positions have been posted. To view all job descriptions, go to: <http://www.appd.org/positions.htm>

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](mailto:info@appd.org)) so that the posting may be removed.

## 9) Free Courses for Residents – Available to Program Directors Now!

The American Academy of Pediatrics Resident Planning Team, along with members for the APPD Education Curriculum Task Force, selected five new online courses that will be free to residents starting July 1, 2010-June 30, 2012. The courses were selected based on the course content, ACGME core competencies covered, and potential gaps in learning within pediatric residency programs. Program directors may want to use these online courses to supplement other learning methods or require completion to assure content is mastered.

The courses are:

- Pediatric Musculoskeletal Medicine: Differential Diagnosis and Assessment of a Limping Child
- Childhood Hearing 2009: A Safer Foundation in the Medical Home
- Help Every Family Quit Smoking
- Health Literacy
- Pediatric Dermatology – Newborn Skin Conditions – **coming fall 2010**
- Hot Topics – Fostering Health –Evaluation of Children in Foster Care

Follow these 5 easy steps to request full access:

1. Log onto [www.pedialink.org](http://www.pedialink.org) enter your AAP ID & Password
2. In the bottom right corner, click the **Toggle Portal** (You will be in the Program View of your PediaLink account)
3. Click the green tab **Courses for Residents** (You will see the list of courses)
4. Click the **Request** button corresponding to the courses that you would like to preview
5. Your request will then be forwarded to the PediaLink Administrator. *Please note:* these course enrollments must be manually processed by the AAP's Department of E-Learning, so please allow 2-3 business days for any enrollment requests. Once you have been registered, you will receive an email confirmation with instructions for accessing the course. If you do not receive an email within 2-3 business days, please use the **Contact Us** button to notify the AAP.

## 10) AAP Scholarship Program

The AAP scholarship program has made a difference in lives of residents. An article about the program was featured in the Department of Membership's "For Your Benefit" column in the January 2010 issue of *AAP News*.

<http://aapnews.aappublications.org/cgi/content/full/31/1/29>



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