

JULY APPD LISTSERV

The monthly APPD Listserv is one of many member benefits.

APPD MEETING / DEADLINE CALENDAR:

Coordinator Fall Meeting Scholarship Applicants	Due August 1 st
APPD 2008 Fall Meeting	Sept. 17-19, The Westin Alexandria, Alexandria, VA
New England Region Meeting	October 3, University of Vermont
2009 APPD Annual Meeting Workshop and Poster Abstract Submissions	Due October 19th
Western Region Meeting	Mid-October; Denver, CO
Mid-America Region Meeting	Oct. 24; Nationwide Children's Hospital, Columbus, OH
APPD 2009 Annual Spring Meeting	April 30 - May 2; Baltimore, MD

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- (1) APPD 2008 Fall Meeting, September 17-19 -- **REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!**
www.appd.org/PDFs/PrelimProgramRev7-9-08.pdf *Hotel Reservations also OPEN!*

Register now to attend the **12th Annual Fall Meeting of the APPD**
September 17-19 at the Westin Alexandria, Alexandria, VA.

This *exciting* conference will provide:

- extensive training and orientation for new program directors and coordinators
- a comprehensive update with separate educational tracks for program directors, associate program directors, fellowship directors, residency and fellowship program coordinators
- vital information for preparing for a successful site visit
- assistance in meeting the American Board of Pediatrics (ABP) and Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) requirements pertaining to Pediatric Subspecialty education
- Hands-On Sessions with representatives from the AAP, ABP, NRMP, and ERAS
- professional development strategies for both new and seasoned professionals
- mentoring opportunities
- an intimate setting for networking with others in your profession

And, for the first time at the APPD Fall Meeting, **CME CREDITS ARE AVAILABLE!**
This activity has been approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)TM.

The preliminary program and registration materials are now available on the APPD website www.appd.org/PDFs/PrelimProgramRev7-9-08.pdf (or go to www.appd.org, click on *Annual Meetings* tab on the left, then "click" on **PROGRAM and REGISTRATION MATERIALS**)

Special Offer through August 25th: For multiple registrants from the same program -- after the first person has registered at the full price, all other registrants will receive a **\$50 discount**.

For **hotel reservations** at the Westin Alexandria, please visit:

www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/booking/reservation?id=0806118997&key=66298

2) Teaching and Assessing Professionalism – A Program Directors Guide

The ABP Program Directors Committee and the Association of Pediatric Program Directors (APPD) are pleased to announce the release of a new resource, "Teaching and Assessing Professionalism: A Program Director's Guide." Developed with the support of the ABP Foundation, this guidebook includes strategies for teaching professionalism through vignettes and cases. It also reviews some of the most promising assessment methods.

<http://www.appd.org/professionalism.pdf>

3) APPD Electronic Dues Invoices – Payment Due this month

All Program Directors and their Coordinators were recently emailed information to access their program's electronic invoice for 2008-2009 APPD membership dues. Please note the dues structure and different levels of membership, review all information carefully, make edits to the on-line form as necessary (including additions and deletions to your program), print out the form, and mail it to the APPD office with your dues payment.

Please note that an **exciting new benefit** has been added to your membership this year. In cooperation with the Academic Pediatric Association (formerly the Ambulatory Pediatric Association), each APPD member program will receive a free institutional subscription of *Ambulatory Pediatrics*, addressed to the central residency office. We ask that you indicate the name and address for the recipient of your program's copy as you complete your online invoice for payment.

If you have questions about the dues structure, invoice format or the new partnership with the APA, please contact Kathy Haynes Johnson at the APPD office at Kathy@appd.org

4) Coordinators' Scholarships Available for Fall Meeting -- Deadline August 1st

Scholarships are available to assist Pediatric Residency Program Coordinators who wish to attend the Annual Fall or Spring Meetings of the APPD. To be considered for this scholarship, the following criteria must be met:

- Program must be a current member of the APPD
- Coordinator must demonstrate a definite need for support and will not be eligible for extensive financial aid from their program to attend the meeting (**detailed budget outlining program support required with application**)
- Coordinator has not received a grant in the last two years.
- Program Director or Chair must submit a Letter of Endorsement for the grant.

For the Fall Meeting, applications must be submitted **by August 1, 2008**. To read the full guidelines and to obtain an application, visit www.appd.org/PDFs/APPDCoordinatorsScholarshipApplication.pdf

5) APPD Spring Meeting Photos Online

Nearly 800 photos from the APPD 2008 Annual Meeting in Honolulu have been posted on the website for your enjoyment! Please visit www.appd.org/Mtg081mg/index.html (or go to www.appd.org and look for the palm tree), then click on the thumbnail to open each photo.

Don't forget to also visit the APPD website to find electronic versions of many of the presentations from the Annual Meeting in Hawaii. www.appd.org/2008SpringMeetingPres.htm

Presenters: if your presentation is NOT on the site, please send it ASAP to info@appd.org so that we may include it with the others. Thank you.

6) 2009 APPD Annual Spring Meeting Abstract (Workshop and Poster) Deadline

Mark your calendars: the Call for Workshop and Poster Abstracts for the 2009 APPD Annual Meeting in Baltimore (April 30-May 2) will go out in August, with a deadline for receipt by Sunday, October 19th at 11:59 p.m. eastern.

7) C-TAGME Certification Awarded to APPD Members

We are pleased to announce that the following Pediatric Coordinators are now certified by the National Board of Certification for Training Administrators of Graduate Medical Education:

Patricia Chapman, C-TAGME
Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters/
Eastern Virginia Medical School Norfolk, VA

Kendra Mejia, C-TAGME
Madigan Army Medical Center
Tacoma, Washington

Susan L. Quintana, C-TAGME
University of New Mexico
Albuquerque, MN

If you wish to apply to take the certification examination, please see www.appd.org/TAGMEApp_2008.pdf
Applications will be accepted September 1 – November 30 for assessment sites between January 1 – June 30; March 1 – May 31 for assessment sites between July 1- December 31

8) APPD General Discussion Board

One new topic addresses the following (press CTRL+ click to follow link below) :
[Evaluation of resident's management skills](#)

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 to receive it via email by logging on to the members only section of the website.

- ~ Go to www.appd.org
- ~ Click on "discussion group"
- ~ Enter your user name and password
- ~ Click on "discussion groups"
- ~ Click on "General Discussion Board"

9) "Positions Available" Postings on Website

Since the last APPD listserv, more than TEN new positions have been posted. To view all job descriptions, go to: <http://www.appd.org/positions.html>

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.

10) AAP presents the ACR REF/Amgen Pediatric Rheumatology Visiting Professorship Award

The AAP Section on Rheumatology now partners with the American College of Rheumatology Research and Education Foundation to offer the ACR REF/Amgen Pediatric Rheumatology Visiting Professorship Award. The purpose of this award is to bring a pediatric rheumatologist to an institution for a one- to three- day visit to discuss clinical problems, conduct lectures and introduce new procedures that may enhance the rheumatology training of the pediatric house staff.

Both pediatric rheumatologists and institutions without pediatric rheumatology expertise are encouraged to apply. The visiting professor will receive a \$2,000 honorarium.

All applications must be submitted electronically via the REF Web site by 4:00p.m. EDT, August 1, 2008. To submit your application, visit www.rheumatology.org/REF/Awards for the online application.

If you have questions or need assistance with the application process, please contact [Mary Wheatley](#) at 404-633-3777 Ext. 334.