November 2009 LISTSERV

The monthly APPD Listserv is one of many member benefits. (A pdf of the listserv is included for your convenience.)

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1) **APPD Call for Nominations – President, Secretary-Treasurer, Two At-Large Board Members, Nominating Committee Member, and Two Coordinators’ Executive Committee Members**

The Association of Pediatric Program Directors’ Nominating Committee is soliciting nominations for the following positions, with each term of office to begin April 2010:

- President (begin April 2010 for two year term as President-Elect, followed by two year term as President)
- Secretary/Treasurer (three year term) – to replace Joseph Gilhooly, MD
- Two At-Large Board Members (three year term) – to replace Patricia Hicks, MD and Dena Hofkosh, MD
- One Nominating Committee Member (two-year term) – to replace Heather McPhillips, MD
- Two Coordinators Executive Committee Members (three-year term) – to replace Lorrayne Garcia, C-TAGME and Marlene Keawe, MBA

All nominations should be sent to the APPD office info@appd.org no later than December 15, 2009. Nominations should include the name, program and brief bio or CV of the person being nominated. You may self-nominate. The Nominating Committee will then review all of the nominations received and narrow the list for the election. Those individuals selected by the Nominations Committee to have their name on the ballot must submit a photo and statement of interest by January 6, 2010. This is a great opportunity for you or a colleague to get more involved in the growth and development of APPD. We look forward to receiving your nominations.

2) **ABP-APPD Partnering in the Development of a Primer on Assessment**

The APPD Leadership was excited to receive a letter from Drs. Gail McGuinness, Executive Vice President, ABP, and Carol Carraccio, Chair, Program Directors Committee, ABP, extending a formal invitation to partner with them in the development of a Program Director’s Primer on Assessment. The APPD Leadership noted that the recent partnership between the ABP Program Directors’ Committee and the APPD in working on the Professionalism Project was such a successful and collaborative project that a similar model will be used.

The APPD Leadership thanks the ABP Program Directors’ Committee for this opportunity and we look forward to working on this exciting project together.

3) **Call for Abstracts – Forum for Fellowship Directors**

Members are encouraged to submit abstracts for possible presentation at the one-day APPD Forum for Fellowship Directors, scheduled for Friday, April 30, just prior to the PAS Meeting in Vancouver. Submitted abstracts should specifically target pediatric subspecialty program directors. Possible topics include fellow education and evaluation, meeting the core curriculum requirement, organization of fellowship education in a department, models of scholarship oversight committees, and faculty development. Abstracts should include at least one learning objective. Further information is available at www.appd.org/PDFs/CallForAbstracts.doc
The deadline for abstract submissions for the Forum for Fellowship Directors is **this Friday, December 4th, 2009.**

Please note that workshops, posters and platform presentations addressing fellowship directors will *also* be included at the APPD 2010 Annual Meeting in Chicago, April 15-18. Abstract submission for that meeting has closed. Should you have questions of any kind, please send an e-mail to info@appd.org.

4) **APPD 2010 Annual Meeting Hotel Information**

The APPD 2010 Annual Meeting will be held at the Hilton Chicago (720 South Michigan Avenue), a 4-Diamond, landmark downtown Chicago hotel located on the “Cultural Michigan Avenue Mile” overlooking Grant Park, Lake Michigan, and Museum Campus. The special APPD sleeping room rate is $199 single/double and includes complimentary wireless internet access in each room and access to the health club, as well as to the indoor pool.

Reservations should be made by calling 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) **APPD Goes Green!**

With our ever-increasing membership numbers (well over 2,000 at this count) and APPD’s higher level of activity in the past few years, the APPD Board of Directors recently developed a new publishing policy. Beginning with the Fall 2009 Newsletter, all newsletters and Annual Reports will be published electronically, rather than printed and distributed as hard copies.

This decision will help reduce our use of paper and ink on two publications that have almost doubled in length and will eliminate printing and mailing costs to a much larger membership base. Instead, a pdf will be emailed to each individual member and copies will be posted on the APPD website for your reference. The Fall 2009 Newsletter was sent to the membership last week and is also available on the website at [http://www.appd.org/newsletters/APPDfall09.pdf](http://www.appd.org/newsletters/APPDfall09.pdf).

6) **APPD General Discussion Board**

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

- **Looking for creativity - calls/shifts/ward changes**
- **Recruitment**
- **lumbar puncture question**
  - Re: lumbar puncture question
- **Pediatric Board Review**
  - Re: Pediatric Board Review
Faculty Evaluations of Residency Program

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
~ Click on "discussion group"
~ Enter your user name and password
~ Click on "discussion groups"
~ Click on "General Discussion Board"

7) "Positions Available" Postings on Website

Since the last APPD listserv, EIGHT 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.