



APPD NEWSLETTER

Winter 2007

Association of Pediatric Program Directors

EDITOR'S COLUMN

*Annamaria Church, MD
Palm West Hospital, Florida*

Recently, I unpacked and arranged my new office and took a trip down memory lane. I found a copy of the first pediatric Program Information Form I authored in the 1990's. Looking it over, I realized how far we'd come in improving resident education. That PIF made no mention of rotation specific objectives, direct observations of resident performance or 360's. Competency, outcomes and duty-hours were all shibboleths of the future. I felt like a parent suddenly realizing how much a child had grown up and was amazed to realize what a powerful influence the APPD has been in shaping resident education. In the middle of the director's SIG at the annual meeting or the conference calls to discuss the impact of the duty hour implementation or proposed changes in the requirements, I didn't really notice how much was being accomplished. Through the hard work of all of you and your Association, pediatric residents today experience an education which is much more relevant to their future careers than the residency experience of old. Through the APPD, we have been able, as a group, to impact the RRC and the ACGME. Our efforts will continue to enhance the educational experience for the resident and the health of children. Thank you for the hard work each of you does. We really have come a long way.

Enclosed with this newsletter is the executive summary of the APPD's revised strategic plan. This past autumn, the leadership and select members of the APPD met to review the strategic plan and enhance it to make it a more focused and proactive document. The complete document and further information will be discussed at the Annual Meeting.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

*Robert McGregor, MD
St. Christopher's Hospital for Children, Philadelphia*

Happy New Year! I trust all of you disciplined individuals involved with running your program have kept your resolutions to date....come on, it has only been 20-some days! I resolve not to read any more personal statements for at least 6 months. Seriously, I hope that all of you at least considered the resolution to become more active in the APPD.

As winter has finally hit the Northeast, I am reminded of an anonymous quote that reflects why all of us should get involved with our community, "Snowflakes melt alone - but together they can be traffic stoppers!"

We are pleased to include with this newsletter a copy of the executive summary of our strategic plan. The annotated plan is on target to be distributed at our Toronto meeting. The Board's goal is to have specific action items organized to delegate to various task forces and committees so if you are looking for opportunities to get more involved, here they come! As part of our strategic plan involves proactively engaging with other educational organizations, allow me to share an opportunity for any of you to get involved with our proactive planning with the ACGME to define a replacement strategy for the now optional ACGME continuity clinic case log.

I have had preliminary discussions with Dr. John Mark Olsson, the APA SIG director for continuity clinic to devise some forum to collect creative ideas and needs from the programs and the continuity clinics regarding what would be appropriate measurable outcomes to track for our residents. This will likely begin as a phone call with members of the APPD board and the SIG leadership to be followed by the formation of a broader action team to develop some strategies. I envision then expanding the strategies with appropriate curriculum and evaluation techniques – so there will likely be opportunities within the designated Task Forces. Plenty of opportunities to volunteer!

Such member involvement is vital to the ongoing success of our organization. To discuss the proactive engagement with the ACGME and volunteerism without acknowledging the assistance of non-board volunteers such as **Carol Carraccio** and **Jerry Rushton** would be inappropriate. I especially want to recognize limitless energy and creative problem solving brought to our ongoing efforts by **Patty Hicks**. Anyone can raise nega-

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tive concerns and posture, but creative, proactive problem solvers demonstrating follow-through are truly of value. Special thanks to Carol, Jerry and Patty – they certainly are no flakes but have proven to be traffic stoppers in Chicago!

All of you involved in our task forces, please keep in mind that our structure was created to parallel the Council of Medical Student Education in Pediatrics (COMSEP) organization. Their annual meeting is scheduled to take place March 9th - 12th in San Antonio. We will be sending one representative from each of our Task Forces to participate in their task force meetings so please consider any potential shared projects and feedback to your task force chair. Educational intervention across the spectrum of learners can pool resources within and between institutions and has the potential for external funding.

I am approaching a site visit in March 2007 (no, serving as President of the APPD won't get you excused....) and like many of you, find documenting the competencies is still somewhat challenging. I will be representing us in early February at the American Board of Pediatrics (ABP) project developing resources to teach and evaluate professionalism. Does anyone think that if I can type in my PIF under professionalism that I will know the answers and adapt my program after representing us in that forum? Me neither, but hopefully by the Toronto meeting, we will be closer to some ABP resources to help us help our residents progress in that competency.

In closing I seriously want you to take advantage of the many opportunities to help us direct your organization! Another timely winter reference to wind up this column:

Everyone can be great, because everyone can serve.

□ *Martin Luther King, Jr.*

~ REGISTER NOW ~

2007 ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE
May 2-5, 2007
Sheraton Centre Toronto
123 Queen Street West
Toronto, Ontario M5H 2M9 Canada
(416) 361-1000

New Offerings This Year
Forum for Associate Directors
Expanded Forum for Fellowship Directors
Faculty Development Pre-Conference Session

Registration materials and complete program information are available at www.appd.org, click on the "Annual Meetings" tab and "Register Now."

HOLM AND TUNNESSEN AWARD RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

Congratulations to **Frederick Lovejoy, MD**, of Children's Hospital/Boston Medical Center, the recipient of the *2007 APPD Robert S. Holm Leadership Award*. This award honors a Program Director or Associate Program Director (past or present) for their extraordinary contribution in leadership as a pediatric program director, or other pediatric program directors serving as a mentor, advisor or role model while performing the many duties and responsibilities involved in their position.

Congratulations also go to **Julia McMillan, MD**, of Johns Hopkins University, the recipient of the *2007 APPD Walter W. Tunnessen, Jr. MD Award for the Advancement of Pediatric Resident Education*. This award honors a Program Director or Associate Program Director (past or present) for extraordinary or innovative contribution(s) in pediatric graduate medical education.

Both awards will be presented during the plenary session at the upcoming APPD meeting in Toronto.

APPD Leadership

President (2006-2008) - Robert McGregor, M.D.
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REGIONAL HAPPENINGS

Midwestern Region

Tom George, MD

Children's Hospital of Iowa, University of Iowa

The APPD Midwest Region had its first regional teleconference on December 19th 2006 with members from 15 different programs participating – thank you to all who participated in the 1.5 hour conference! Thank you in particular to Denise Bratcher, Program Director and Keith Mann, Associate Program Director from Children's Mercy Hospital, Kansas City and Jay Nocton, Program Director from the Medical College of Wisconsin for leading sessions. The topics covered were:

1. International Electives: With Denise Bratcher and Keith Mann leading the discussion, issues related to setting up and creating guidelines, institutional barriers to funding, malpractice issues and deciding resident eligibility for these electives were reviewed. Some regional programs already have structured international electives in place and who volunteered to serve as resources for programs to explore sending their residents to those sites. A successful effort at petitioning one program's institution to maintain the salary during these electives was also shared.

2. Board Review: The second discussion, led by Jay Nocton, revolved around effective board review in a residency program; different models of board review were discussed, including Chief Resident run sessions, games e.g. Jeopardy to enhance educational experiences and intense board review courses for program graduates.

3. 2007/2010 Regional Representatives: Teleconference participants nominated one member to serve as program director/regional chair. A program coordinator representative nomination had been previously made, and the regional representatives will be confirmed at the APPD meeting.

4. APPD Midwest Regional Meeting May 2, 2007: The 2nd Midwest Region Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 2nd at around 3pm (exact time TBA), immediately preceding the APPD meeting. As with last year, members will be surveyed to determine content for the meeting and we look forward to continuing our successful efforts at enhanced regional networking and collaboration.

See you in Toronto!

New York/New Jersey Region

Susan Guralnick, MD

Stony Brook University Medical Center

Mary Gallagher, Long Island College Hospital

The NY/NJ Region held an Educational Retreat on October 27, 2006 hosted by Maria Ferreri Children's Hospital in Westchester. The meeting was very well attended and included Program Directors, Assistant/Associate Program Directors, Chief Residents and Program Coordinators. Our agenda was focused on the American Board of Pediatrics R³P Project. After a brief overview of the project, the attendees broke into several small groups. Each group was asked to address these questions being posed by the R³P Project group: "What is the future of Pediatrics as a field?" and "What training will be required to best prepare the Pediatrician of the future?" As expected, the groups had many similar ideas, but there were some surprises. We will be sending a report from this meeting to Gail McGuinness of the ABP.

The remainder of the meeting was a SIG format, with separate sessions for the program directors, chief residents, and program coordinators. We are beginning to plan our Spring Retreat, which will be held at Fort Hamilton in Brooklyn. The educational focus of that meeting has not yet been determined. The NY/NJ region is fortunate in that the majority of our programs are in the NY/NJ metropolitan area, and it is relatively easy for us to get together.

Western Region

Rukmani 'Roni' Vasan MD, MPH, MSED

USC Pediatrics, Los Angeles, California

Cynthia Ferrell MD, MSED

Oregon Health & Science University

Following a successful third annual Western Regional meeting in September 2006, we plan to survey our regional members soon for topics to be discussed at the Regional breakfast meeting in Toronto.

We also intend to work on some of the action items identified at the Fall Meeting that include:

- 1) Moving as a region to develop and pilot a summative competency evaluation tool that could serve as a model for data sharing with accrediting organizations.
- 2) Increasing collaboration between the APPD and the ACGME to jointly develop policies regarding portfolios and their use by programs and accrediting organizations.
- 3) Create proposal for APPD to get travel money for regional meetings to increase participation by chiefs, coordinators and associate PD's.

We look forward to the Spring Meeting in Toronto in May 2007 and wish everyone all the best for the upcoming match.

TASK FORCE REPORTS

Curriculum Task Force

Susan Bostwick, MD

New York Presbyterian Hospital (Cornell Campus)

The Curriculum Committee had a productive phone conference on January 22, 2007. Our members continue to be involved in national curriculum initiatives, including curriculum focusing on Oral Health, Bright Futures, etc. We have been invited to participate in a new endeavor to develop a curriculum with the AAP Section on Epidemiology. There was enthusiasm expressed on our conference call in participating in this endeavor and two members volunteered to be our liaisons. In addition, Anne Burke updated us on R³P, in particular the 1st colloquium which was held this past August. Anne will be attending the 2nd colloquium in February and will update all of us in Toronto. We planned our agenda for Toronto, including discussions related to updating our resources and defining areas where curriculum development is needed. We look forward to seeing everyone in Toronto.

Faculty Development Task Force

Surendra K. Varma, MD, Texas Tech University (Lubbock)

The Faculty Development Task Force has been hard at work contributing to several upcoming educational opportunities for the APPD Annual Meeting in Toronto.

We urge all of you to consider attending the **Faculty Development Pre-Conference Workshop**, scheduled for Wednesday, May 2, from 1:30-5:00 p.m. (additional registration fee required). Led by Fred McCurdy, MD, the workshop will actively engage attendees to focus on personal skill development. Every attendee will find the material very challenging. The first segment (90 minutes) is entitled: Getting to Know You: Career Planning Basics. The second segment (90 minutes) is entitled: Negotiation/Conflict Resolution: Gaining Dynamic Insight. Each attendee will leave the session with a workbook full of suggestions that can be immediately applied to their current professional circumstance. For more information, please see page four of the APPD Annual Meeting Program.

During the Annual Meeting, Cliff Yu and Joe Lopreiato will be leading a workshop, with assistance from Greg Blaschke and Tim Shope, titled **“Efficient, Competency-Based Schemes to Document the Clinical Performance of Students, Residents and Fellows: A P.R.I.M.E.R for You.”** The workshop will teach exciting new skills, focusing on “How to get your faculty to provide better and more detailed written evaluations on the clinical performance of your students, residents, and fellows” and “How to teach faculty to get the most out of

their precepting sessions in a busy clinic or ward.” Further details are available on page seven of the Annual Meeting Program.

On Saturday, May 5, please plan to attend the **Forum for Small Programs/Chairs**. This program will focus on a number of issues that relate to quality Resident education. The three areas of focus will be: Better understanding of the R3 project; Patient care log and procedure log; and Faculty development with focus on better education regarding the business of medicine. This session will be led by Drs. Steve Shelov, Lynn Campbell, and Surendra Varma, and will include presentations by representatives of the ABP and Pediatric RRC.

2007 ANNUAL MEETING HOTEL INFORMATION

Hotel Accommodations

The Pediatric Academic Societies have negotiated special rates with select hotels for APPD meeting attendees who make their reservations by Tuesday, April 5, 2007. All reservations must be made through the official housing bureau. Hotels will not accept any reservations directly.

*The APPD headquarters hotel is the **Sheraton Centre Toronto**.*

Hotels fill quickly. Reserve **early** to receive the best rates and choice of hotels. Book on line at www.pas-meeting.org and receive immediate confirmation.

Reservations

Reservations can be made from December 5, 2006 through April 5, 2007 by choosing one of the following methods.

INTERNET: Book your reservation on-line, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, using the interactive site at www.pas-meeting.org and receive immediate confirmation.

TELEPHONE: Call the Toronto Housing Bureau, 9:00am–5:00pm EST, Monday–Friday, at: 866-371-0398 (toll free US and Canada) or 416-203-2500 (International).

FAX: Send a completed form, one copy per room, to 416-203-8477 (Domestic and International).

MAIL: Send a completed form, one copy per room, to Toronto Housing Bureau, 207 Queens Quay West, PO Box 126, Suite 590, Toronto, ON, Canada, M5J 1A7.

COORDINATOR'S CORNER

Therese D'Agostino, Massachusetts General Hospital

First and foremost, the Coordinators' Executive Committee would like you to know that we are happy to serve as your advocates. Please feel free to e-mail us with any questions, issues, or concerns you may have. We are more than pleased to facilitate your needs. You can find the committee members' contact information on the APPD website at www.appd.org.

If you are interested in being either a program coordinator mentor or a program coordinator mentee, please e-mail me at tdagostino@partners.org. I am currently in the process of coordinating this effort. Fellowship Coordinators note, we are looking for sub-specialty mentors; so please let me know if you are interested.

We hope that you will be attending the Spring 2007 Meeting in Toronto from Thursday, May 3rd thru Saturday, May 5th. Executive Committee Members Judy Behnke, Children's Hospital of Austin and Valarie Collins, C-TAGME, University of South Florida have planned a fantastic coordinators' agenda. We are confident that it will be a worthwhile experience. Some important sessions include: *The Coordinator's Role in Graduate Medical Education*; *How to Get the Most Out of Your Med-Peds Team*; and *Juggling 101 – A Prerequisite for Balancing Time Between Your Professional and Personal Activities*. Also included in the agenda will be updates from the ACGME, the AAP, and ABP. Jeri Whitten, C-TAGME, West Virginia University (Charleston Division) will present *Training Administrators for Graduate Medical Education (TAGME) Updates*. This session will be beneficial in answering all questions regarding TAGME certification.

The Coordinators' Executive Committee would also like to remind you to forward photos of yourselves and your program directors to the APPD for the website. You can send your photos to info@appd.org. We will also be taking photos of coordinators and directors in Toronto, which will be uploaded to the APPD website.

On Saturday, May 5th, there will be a coordinators' group activity. The APPD has organized the *Toronto Hippo Tour* (the hippest way to see Toronto!). This tour offers a unique amphibious guided tour of both downtown Toronto and the waterways of Ontario Place, on the *Bus That Floats!* All are welcome. This gathering was designed for APPD coordinators, but is open for everyone to enjoy (an additional fee applies). To register for the tour, please see page 23 of the APPD Annual Meeting program.

There will also be an informal coordinator's dinner gathering during our stay in Toronto. Plans are still underway and ar-

rangements will be announced after our arrival. We are looking forward to seeing everyone there!

SPECIAL REPORT: PEDIATRIC GME IN AFGHANISTAN

Cliff Yu, whose regular job is program director for the National Capital Consortium Pediatric Residency, recently embarked on a 4-month deployment "sabbatical" to serve as Chief of Pediatrics for the 14th Combat Support Hospital in Bagram, Afghanistan. It's been busy, with close to a third of all hospital bed days occupied by severely ill local national children who have threat to life, limb, or eyesight. One of the main reasons for his volunteering for this mission was so that he could experience first hand what many of his graduating military pediatric residents would be experiencing when they graduate and potentially deploy; however, what he has found is that an even greater educational need is right here with the local Afghan physicians who come through the hospital for training. After years of repression and neglect, the medical education system is starving for even basic resources like textbooks. If you or members of your program would like to donate your used textbooks to help with the hospital's training program, just send them by regular U.S. surface mail to:

Colonel Clifton Yu/ Major Alex Black
Task Force MED, "ICU"
APO AE 09354

Or contact Clifton.yu@na.amedd.army.mil

Cliff says thanks, or "tashakur" on behalf of our local Afghan pediatric colleagues, and hope to see you in Toronto in April!



UPDATE FROM THE AAP RESIDENT SECTION

Christopher G. Strother, MD, Mt. Sinai School of Medicine

First of all, let me say thank you for the APPD's continued interest in maintaining a relationship with our section. As the largest section in the AAP, we are very active and involved in many things, but we need your help and ideas to continue our forward momentum. Please continue to communicate with us and encourage your residents to get involved in the AAP so they can express the views of themselves and your programs.

We have two big ongoing issues that I would like to discuss. They are the unified fellowship timeline, and solving the barrier to international resident experiences. We continue to make progress on the unified timeline. As you know, we feel that stabilizing the fellowship application and offer timeline allows for many benefits on both sides of the table. We continue to support a timeline that includes fellowships not accepting applications until mid to late second year, and not making offers until early third year. We feel this gives everyone the fairest playing field. Progress in this area has been made on two fronts. The recently formed Council of Pediatric Subspecialties has this issue on their agenda for future meetings. In addition, the Organization of Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine Program Directors (ONTPD) has voted to move to a match system for neonatology fellowships. Beginning in the winter of 2007 -2008, residents who will start their neonatal fellowships July of 2009 will apply to programs through this new match. We wish ONTPD total success in this venture. Please be aware of this change and help your residents use it to their advantage. While we recognize a match system is not for everyone, we are very happy to see that residents will have a full 18 months to decide if neonatology is the right specialty for them, and there will be a fair chance for the best residents to interview at the best programs.

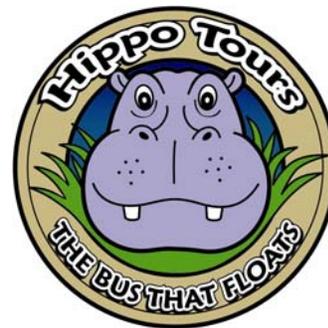
Another big issue that residents have repeatedly requested we address is the increasing barriers to rotations abroad and in underserved areas. As we all know, difficulties such as medical malpractice, call schedules, funding, and adequate preceptors make rotations abroad difficult for many programs. Yet the benefit of these experiences both for the residents and the communities they serve is immeasurable. The AAP Section on International Child Health held a discussion group at the 2006 AAP NCE to identify and begin conversation on how to overcome these barriers. Our section also helped the Committee on Pediatric Education hold a similar discussion recently. We are hoping to continue this dialogue with the goal of developing a data base and communication network that will assist programs that wish to send their residents to underserved areas by connecting them with programs that have done so successfully. Please keep your eyes out for this topic in the near future, and if anyone has a real passion for this,

please contact me or the Section on International Child Health so we can work toward this goal.

We had a very successful meeting at the 2006 NCE. The section elected new officers, held several educational discussion groups, and voted on resolutions to offer to this year's Annual Leadership Forum (ALF). Resolutions that made our section's top 6 and that we will be addressing at the ALF in 2007 include investigating efficient sign out and transfer of care techniques, investigating the best ways to assess the core competencies for residents, discussing educational debt as a barrier to pediatrics as a career choice, and resolutions addressing second hand smoke exposure, automobile restraint laws, and the education of expectant teenage mothers through the public school system. These are only a few of the many issues our residents identified as important.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to communicate with you and please continue to foster this very important relationship between the APPD and the Section on Residents. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any comments, questions, or assistance I can provide.

COME RIDE THE HIPPOS!!!



Saturday, May 5th at 3:00 p.m.

APPD meeting attendees are invited to enjoy a unique and unforgettable **amphibious** guided tour of both downtown Toronto and the waterways of Ontario Place. The tour is scheduled for **Saturday, May 5 at 3:00 p.m.** and runs for 90 minutes.

Hippos ("the Bus that Floats") are Canadian designed, all-new manufactured vehicles that are Transport Canada-Marine Safety ("Coast Guard") approved buses that take passengers on the streets and through the waterways of Toronto. For more details and photos, please go to www.torontohippotours.com.

Reserve your ticket now!!! *On the registration form, please check the box next to Toronto "Hippo" Tour and include an additional \$30 with your registration fee for each ticket.*

Tickets will be distributed with your registration packet in Toronto. **No refunds will be made after Thursday, April 26.**

**Association of Pediatric Program Directors
Annual Spring Meeting - May 2-5, 2007 - Toronto, Ontario
ADVANCE REGISTRATION**

For APPD Office Use Only: Date Received _____ Check # _____ Amount _____

Name _____ Degree _____ Title _____

Length of Time in Current Position ____ years ____ months. First time attending an APPD meeting? O Yes O No

Do you wish to get involved in our Mentoring Program? O Yes O No If yes, as a Mentor or Mentee? (circle one)

Program Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Please check all sessions you plan to attend.

Wednesday, May 2

1:30pm - 5:00pm

- Faculty Development Pre-Conference Workshop (additional fee required)

Thursday, May 3

7:30am - 10:00am

- Coordinators Session
- Program Directors SIG

10:15am - 12:15pm

- Plenary Session

1:30pm - 5:00pm

- Invited Presentation

5:00pm - 6:30pm

Task Force Meetings--please select one

- Evaluation Curriculum
- Learning Technology Research
- Faculty Development

Friday, May 4

8:00am - 9:30am

Regional Breakfast Meetings--please select one

- New England Mid-America
- New York Midwest
- Mid-Atlantic Southwest
- Southeast Western

Please review program for workshop descriptions. Space is limited. Choices will be assigned on a first come basis.

10:00am - 12:00pm Workshops I

First Choice _____ Second Choice _____

1:00pm - 3:00pm Workshops II

First Choice _____ Second Choice _____

3:30pm - 5:30pm Workshops III

First Choice _____ Second Choice _____

5:30pm - 6:30pm

- Posters & Wine/Cheese Reception

7:00pm - 8:00pm

- MPPDA Reception

Saturday, May 5

8:00am - 1:00pm

- Coordinators Session
- Forum for Directors of Small Programs/Affiliate Chairs
- Forum for Associate Directors

8:00am - 5:00pm

- Forum for Fellowship Directors
- Forum for Chief Residents
- MPPDA Business Meeting

Registration Fees

- APPD Member: \$315 (by April 9) \$370 (on-site)
 - Non-Member: \$450 (by April 9) \$500 (on-site)
 - Resident Registration: \$160
 - Presenting-Only: \$160
 - Resident Presenting-Only: Fee waived
 - Faculty Development Pre-Conference Workshop: \$50
 - Forum for Fellowship Directors One Day Only Member Rate: \$100
 - Forum for Fellowship Directors One Day Only Non-Member Rate: \$200
 - MPPDA Meeting Registration: \$175
 - MPPDA Dinner: \$50
 - Toronto "Hippo" Tour: _____ no. tickets @ \$30 each
- TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____
(APPD does not accept credit cards.)

Special Offer for APPD Members: The (4th) person registering from the same program is free if received by April 9. (All 4 must be APPD members.)

This form may be reproduced. Only one registrant per form. APPD Tax ID#: 54-2015821. Return form and payment (checks made out to APPD) by mail to:

Association of Pediatric Program Directors
6728 Old McLean Village Drive
McLean VA 22101-3906

Meeting confirmations will be sent in March / April 2007

APPD Cancellation Policy

All requests must be received in writing. A \$25 administrative fee will be assessed for all cancellation requests received prior to April 9, 2007. A \$50 administrative fee will be assessed for all cancellation requests received between April 9, 2007 and May 1, 2007. Cancellations received after May 1, 2007 will not be eligible for a refund. All reimbursements will be processed following the meeting.

Mentoring Program

The mentoring program has been developed to support program directors and program coordinators. Mentees are defined as program directors/coordinators who have had their role for less than three years. Our goal is to pair the new and relatively new program directors/coordinators with more experienced individuals to serve as mentors.

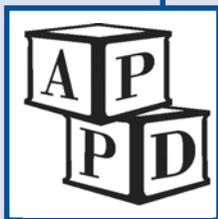
CME

If registered through APPD, CME credit for the APPD program is included in your registration fee. No additional fee will be required to receive CME credit for attending the APPD sessions or the joint PAS/APPD sessions.

Registrations must be received by April 9 or you will need to register on site.

2007 Annual Spring Conference

Sheraton Centre Toronto ■ Toronto, ON Canada ■ May 2 - 5



Preliminary Meeting Schedule

Professional Development Across All Levels of Residency Program Leadership

Schedule-at-a-Glance

Wednesday, May 2

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

1:00 - 5:00 pm

2:00 - 7:00pm

APPD Board Meeting

Faculty Development Pre-Conference Workshop (additional fee required)

Coordinators TAGME Exam (prior application and scheduling necessary)

Thursday, May 3

7:00 - 7:30 am

7:30 - 10:00 am

7:30 - 10:00 am

10:00 - 10:15 am

10:15 am - 12:15 pm

12:15 - 1:30 pm

1:30 - 3:30 pm

3:30 - 4:00 pm

4:00 - 5:00 pm

5:00 - 6:30 pm

Continental Breakfast in Exhibit Hall

APPD SIG

Coordinators Session

Break in Exhibit Hall

Plenary Session

Lunch (on your own)

Invited Presentations: Setting the Stage for Change

Break

American Board of Pediatrics R³P Project Update

Task Force Meetings / Coordinators Executive Committee Meeting

Friday, May 4

8:00 - 9:30 am

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

12:00 - 1:00 pm

12:00 - 1:00 pm

1:00 - 3:00 pm

3:00 - 3:30 pm

3:30 - 5:30 pm

5:30 - 6:30 pm

7:00 - 8:00 pm

Regional Breakfasts

Workshops I (see online program for complete descriptions)

Lunch (on your own)

Regional Chairs Luncheon / Council of Task Force Chairs Luncheon

Workshops II (see online program for complete descriptions)

Break in Exhibit Hall

Workshops III (see online program for complete descriptions)

Posters with Exhibits and Wine/Cheese Reception

MPPDA Reception

Saturday, May 5

8:00 - 11:00 am

8:00 am - 1:00 pm

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

6:00 - 11:00 pm

Forum for Associate Directors

Coordinators Session

Forum for Small Programs/Chairs

Forum for Fellowship Directors

Forum for Chief Residents

MPPDA Business Meeting (additional fee required)

MPPDA Dinner (additional fee required)

TRAVEL INFORMATION



ATTENTION: Passports for U.S./Canadian Travel Required in 2007

As part of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act, the U.S. Departments of Homeland Security and State have developed the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative. Under the Initiative, all air and sea travelers are required to have a passport to re-enter the United States after traveling to Canada as of December 31, 2006. The rule extends to all land border crossings the following year.

Don't wait to get your passport or to renew one that has expired! For more information, please go to <http://www.travel.state.gov/>. You should allow up to 6 weeks for processing of passport applications.