



## Announcements, Events and Accomplishments

Congratulations to Beth Payne, MAEd, C-TAGME and Yvette Foster from UTHSCSA, who had a 60-minute workshop accepted at the 2014 ACGME Annual Educational Conference Coordinator Forum.

Subspecialty certifying exam dates have been released. Registration for these exams is open August 1 - October 31, 2013.

Adolescent Med: Apr 8, 2014  
Neonatal/Perinatal Med: Apr 10, 2014  
Nephrology: Apr 8, 2014

Happy Birthday, September babies! The September birthstone, the sapphire, comes in blue, green, pink, purple, and yellow varieties.

Please contact your committee or regional chair or Tara McKinley (tara.mckinley@louisville.edu) with any presentations/publications, best practices, list serve responses, story ideas, comments or concerns, or tips/tricks/lessons learned from CLER visits.

## APPD Fall Meeting

Registration and hotel for the fall meeting are open...act fast! [Click here](#) for more information on conference highlights, online registration, and hotel information.

Don't miss special sessions for new coordinators and fellowship coordinators; information on milestones, clinical competency committees, mentoring, recruitment and more; and wealth of networking opportunities!

## September: The Month of Regional Meetings

Regional meetings are the prominent theme this month as everyone prepares for the fall meeting in Virginia.

### Southwest Region Special Session

September 18, 2013  
Moody Gardens Hotel, Spa and Conv Ctr  
Galveston, TX

### New England Regional Meeting

September 2013  
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center  
Lebanon, NH

### Mid-America Regional Meeting

September 20, 2013  
Nationwide Children's Hospital  
Columbus, OH

### Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting

October 2, 2013  
Inova Fairfax Medical Campus  
Falls Church, VA

### Midwest Regional Meeting

September 27-28, 2013  
Children's Hospital & Medical Center  
University of Nebraska/Creighton University  
[tstranger@peds.bsd.uchicago.edu](mailto:tstranger@peds.bsd.uchicago.edu)

## Mentoring

The Right Side mentoring group engaged in a conference call this month covering a variety of topics. Highlights included:

- Annual Program Evaluation reporting and timeline
- Core faculty and scholarly activity in WebADS, getting departmental support in received necessary paperwork
- Appropriate confidentiality of evaluations in web-based software
- Job descriptions, setting goals, collaborating with other coordinators to accomplish bigger projects and move programs forward

**Gearing up for recruitment season?**

Tell us about best practices, lessons learned (maybe the hard way), changes to your process, etc. The newbies out there thank you!

[Email Tara McKinley](#)

