An educational research network in Pediatric GME
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**Membership benefits**

- Opportunities to participate in research studies
- Eligible to propose research studies and receive consultation in design and project management
- First call for proposals yielded 6 proposals reviewed, with 4 advancing to planning stage
- Opportunities for group authorship or acknowledgment in study publications
- Early access to new educational methods and tools developed through APPD LEARN

**Top program needs**

- Knowledge/skills
  1. Study design
  2. Statistics
  3. Assessment design
  4. Qualitative research
  5. IRB processes

- Resources

**Currently active project:** Milestones Assessment

- Partnership with NBME
- Examine feasibility of tools for assessing 9 Pediatrics Milestones in inpatient setting
- Structured clinical observations, Multi-source feedback assessments, Summary classification on milestones, Formative feedback session with learner, Survey of learner’s perception of process
- 24 sites (16 currently active, 8 awaiting IRB)

**Top future study interests**

- More information: [http://learn.appd.org](http://learn.appd.org)
- How to propose new studies
- How to obtain access to archived data
- Training opportunities (coming soon)
- Email us at: learn@appd.org

**Governance:**

- Director: Alan Schwartz, PhD (0.4 FTE) (UIC Depts of Medical Education, Pediatrics)
- Project Manager: Eric Shropshire, MPH (1.0 FTE, Degnon and Associates)
- Advisory Committee (Patricia Hicks, MD, MHPE, Chair)
- Educational Development Committee (Beatrice Boateng, PhD, Chair)
- Proposal Review Committee (Leah Harris, MD, Chair)