



### **Membership Benefits**

The APPD is a vibrant organization with more than 5,000 individual members from over 200 residency programs and 800 associated fellowship programs. APPD is driven by our Mission: To ensure the health and well-being of all children, we lead the advancement of pediatric medical education, the development of a sustainable and diverse workforce, the cultivation of an inclusive learning environment, and promotion of educational innovation.

As an APPD member, you have access to many leadership opportunities and benefits which are outlined below.

#### **Benefits designed to support your work as an Educational Leader in your Program**

- Access to the [APPD Connect](#) - a member-only networking and communications platform that enables members to connect, engage, share critical information, best practices and events.
- Complimentary access to all [Virtual Cafés](#), live and on-demand.
- Access to resources in the Members Only areas of the [APPD.org](#) website.
- Access and discounts to participate in APPD educational programs: [Spring Meeting](#), [Fall Meeting](#), [Forum for Fellowship Leaders](#), and the [Pediatric Medical Education Conference](#).
- Receipt of one free institutional subscription to *Academic Pediatrics*, addressed to the person designated when membership renewal is completed (APPD posts an important article in each issue of *Academic Pediatrics* in the [APPD View section](#)).
- Access to curriculum in APPD's [LESSON](#), Longitudinal Educational Software Solutions and Outcomes Network.
- Participation in the APPD [CBME Data Hub](#) – a dynamic system designed to help program leaders accelerate their implementation of competency-based medical education (CBME).

#### **Career Mentorship, Leadership and Research Opportunities**

- Leadership opportunities and chance to nominate colleagues/peers for [leadership roles](#) and [awards](#).
- Opportunity to become involved in the APPD mentoring programs.
  - Members are linked by similar roles, program size, region, and academic interests.
- Opportunity to conduct and participate in meaningful educational research through [APPD LEARN](#)
- Opportunity to submit a [special project grant proposal](#) for funding.
- Eligibility to apply for our leadership programs:
  - [APPD LEAD](#), our leadership program for program directors and associate program directors from core residencies and fellowship programs.
  - [APPD LEAPES](#), our leadership program for pediatric education specialists, coordinators, and managers.
  - [APPD AIMS](#), our leadership program for underrepresented in medicine residents.

- [APPD FUEL](#), our leadership program designed to increase diversity in pediatric medical education leadership through professional development and mentorship of underrepresented in medicine early career faculty.
- The new APPD Supporting Medical Education Research Fellow Scholars ([SMERFS](#)), a program that provides pediatric subspecialty fellows with instruction about scholarship and mentoring of a medical education research project.
- Ability to join any of our 13 [APPD Learning Communities](#). An APPD Learning Community is a group of APPD members who share learning interests and goals and who communicate regularly to collaborate on learning and projects.
- Membership and participation in your APPD [Region](#).
- With prior approval, complimentary posting of “[Positions/Opportunities Available](#)” on the APPD Job Board.

### **Support for Educational Leaders within your institution**

- [Program Directors](#), [Associate Program Directors](#), [Coordinators](#), [Chief Residents](#), [Fellowship Program Directors](#), and [Vice Chairs of Education](#) at your institution are represented by Executive Committees specific for each leadership group.
- Special section specific programming at both the Spring and Fall Meetings for PDs, APDs, Fellowship Leaders, Vice Chairs of Education, and Coordinators, plus LEGACY for Rising Chief Residents and the Forum for Chief Residents at the APPD Spring Meeting.
- Educational sessions on “hot topics” that are focused on PDs, APDs, FPDs, Vice Chairs of Education, and Coordinators.

### **Regular Communication**

- Monthly receipt of the [APPD e-Bulletin](#), emailed to each member.
- Notification through frequent email blasts of breaking news and issues of importance to pediatric residency and fellowship programs.
- Online communities on [APPD Connect](#) - a member-only networking and communications platform that enables members to connect, engage, share critical information, best practices and events.

### **Involvement in the National work of the APPD**

As the educational organization that represents you and your program, we welcome your input on a variety of topics throughout the year. We are here to work for you and provide you and your program with information, guidance and mentorship.

In particular, we provide the following to each member program:

- Representation before national affiliates and regulatory organizations, including ERAS, NRMP, OPDA
- Opportunity to provide input toward formulation of the APPD official positions to medical education related issues through participation in action teams, surveys, meetings, discussion boards, and other forums.