President's Message

It's that time of year again: preparing for PAS! Below are a few updates before we see each other in San Francisco.

Maryellen, Sue and I have been crisscrossing the country to attend Regional Meetings. The enthusiasm and collaboration we observed, especially among junior and senior members as well as among institutions bodes well for the future of the APA!

Speaking of the future and beginning with your input through the "Value of the APA" survey last summer, the APA Board has been working over the past nine months to develop APA's 2017-2022 Strategic Plan. The plan in addition to a new mission, vision and core values is featured in this Newsletter. WE CHANGED OUR MISSION TO FOCUS ON YOUR SUCCESS!

Our New Mission:

The Academic Pediatric Association nurtures the academic success and career development of child health professionals engaged in research, advocacy, improvement science and educational scholarship to enhance the health and well-being of all children.

We have 4 GOALS with strategies that will advance our mission:

1. Be the academic home for child health care professionals by being the premier source for career development
   - Formalize/organize an approach to academic professional development
   - Develop an online learning strategy
1. Strengthen and expand opportunities for mentoring and networking among members
   - Promote internal leadership and engagement opportunities

2. **Increase member diversity and engagement**
   - Develop a staff-driven, robust communication strategy, tools and guiding principles to keep members informed and engaged

3. **Advance an equitable child health agenda**
   - Focus advocacy efforts on socially and economically disadvantaged children
   - Elevate and apply an academic approach to translating how evidence informs policy
   - Collaborate and partner with the Pediatric Policy Council and other child health organizations to ensure APA's mission and vision are represented

4. **Build an effective infrastructure and secure the necessary staff, technology and financial resources to support our mission.**
   - Explore new governance structures to separate strategy from operations
   - Define and delineate volunteer and staff roles for efficiency and effectiveness
   - Invest in staff and professional expertise to support and advance the efforts of the organization
   - Explore efficiencies in both technology and processes
   - Improve and enhance internal communications

Whether you can join us in San Francisco or not I would like to ask you to think about how you can help advance our mission and achieve our goals. At PAS I am going to ask each Region, SIG and Committee to determine and commit to 1-3 tactics that align with our goals to work on over the next year that will help contribute to our collaborative success. After PAS, we will share the committed tactics across the organization to encourage collaboration, engagement and accountability.

Speaking of engagement, **you do not want to miss the APA Membership Meeting on Sunday, May 7 from 3:45 pm - 5:45 pm in the San Francisco Marriott Marquis!** We will have a new "Speed Learning" event this year to facilitate enjoyable networking and collaboration with colleagues throughout our regions, SIGs, committees and core programs. I guarantee you will meet new colleagues, learn how the APA can support you, learn how you can get involved and have fun!

We will also be piloting a new format for the Presidential Plenary on Monday, May 8 from 1:30 pm -5:15 pm with audience participation, social media and music - to keep you engaged while learning about cutting edge research.

Safe travels-see you soon in San Francisco!

Mary Ottolini, MD, MPH, MEd
President
Academic Pediatric Association
APA New Members

Welcome to all of the new APA Members!

Atu Agawu          Jennifer Murzycki
Brandon Allport    Ketan Nadkami
Bianca Argueza     Rasaq Olaosebikan
Nahiris Bahamón    Sonja O'Leaery
Jesse Banales      Judy-April Oparaji
Shannon Baumer-Mouradian   Colin Orr
Jennifer Benjamin  Brett Palama
Parul Bhatia       Carrie Phillipi
Aisha Bobb-Semple  Sveta
Natalie Connolly   Pomeranets
Taron Davis        Jennifer Robbins
Yarden Fraiman     Anna Rueda
Colleen Kays Gutman Tawny Saleh
Laura Nell Hodo    Jeffrey Sestokas
Sharon Hudson      Amy Shekarchi
Lauren Kahl        Blake Sisk
Carolyn Keiper     María Skoczylas
Nabila Khaleel     Sophia Stavros
Irene Mathieu      Alexis Toney
Lindy McGee        Michelle Torok
Courtney McLean    Jasmine Weiss
Bridget Messina    Chrystal Wittcopp
                     Jennifer Zank

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Upcoming Conferences

Academic General Pediatric Fellowship Accreditation Committee (AGPAC)

SAVE THE DATE: 2nd Annual APA Pediatric Academic Generalist & Hospital Medicine Fellows' Conference

Thursday, May 4, 2017 in San Francisco, California from 1:30-7:00 pm

We are seeking fellows, particularly those from APA-accredited Academic General Pediatric (AGP) and Pediatric Hospital Medicine fellowships to attend a half day national fellows' conference on Thursday, May 4, 2017 in San Francisco, CA (immediately before the PAS meeting). This conference is designed for all pediatric fellows interested in enhancing their academic career skills and building strong collaborative networks with other academic fellows and faculty. There is no registration fee for this conference as it is
AGP fellows will have the opportunity to:

- Obtain feedback from AGP leaders on their advocacy, quality improvement, education, or research projects?
- Find like-minding individuals for networking and collaboration?
- Identify and practice strategies to be a more effective academician

_All trainees who are fellows within APA accredited training programs will receive a $200 voucher at the meeting to offset the hotel costs of attending the meeting._

### 7th APA Quality Improvement Research Conference

May 5, 2017
San Francisco, California

### 2017 Pediatric Academic Societies (PAS)

**2017 Pediatric Academic Societies (PAS)**
May 6 - 9, 2017
The Moscone Center West
San Francisco, California

### 2017 Pediatric Hospital Medicine (PHM)

**2017 Pediatric Hospital Medicine**
July 20 - 23, 2017
Omni Nashville
Nashville, Tennessee

[Click here for the Call For Workshops](#)
Education Committee Meeting at PAS: Sunday, May 7, 11:00-12:30, Nob Hill A&B in the Marriott Marquis Hotel

Agenda

- Brief Update on Core Educational Programs
- Teaching Faculty Awards Presentation
- Overview of APA Strategic Plan
- Small group brainstorming sessions
- Identifying needs, topics, and platforms for educational e-learning opportunities for members
- Educational rewards and recognition programs for APA members (Academy of Distinguished Educators)
- How to develop and promote educational research
- Engagement of mid- and senior level APA members in addition to mentoring
- Large group report out
- Open discussion on other ideas of how the APA Educational Committee can support its members

APA Teaching Program Award and the APA Annual Teaching Award for Junior and Mid-Career Faculty

The APA Education Committee is pleased to announce the recipients of the following national awards

**The APA Teaching Program Award:** Urban Health and Advocacy Track, Boston Combined Residency Program (BCRP). Boston Children's Hospital. Team Members: Scott Hadland, MD, MPH, Kate Michelson, MD, MMSC, Christine Cheston, MD, Ted Sectish, MD, Bob Vinci, MD, and the entire BCRP Leadership Team.

The Urban Health and Advocacy Track (UHAT) of Boston Combined Residency Program devotes ample resources to the training of its pediatric residents with the goal of cultivating a community of diverse pediatricians focused on caring for underserved and marginalized children. UHAT residents believe that reducing health disparities is central to their lives as pediatricians, whether in primary care, subspecialty, or acute settings. The scholarly output of the program is quite impressive and includes publications and presentations in prestigious conferences. Innovative teaching models and a streamlined funding allows residents to fully foster their interests in public health, health policy, advocacy, general academic pediatrics, community pediatrics, and global health and become nationally recognized leaders in these areas. The Urban Health and Advocacy Track (UHAT) of Boston Combined Residency Program can become a model for the development of similar programs around the country. The committee is pleased to recognize such a
special and impactful program!

The APA Annual Teaching Award - Mid-level Faculty: Michele Etterbeek Long, MD, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Director, UCSF Education in Pediatrics Across the Continuum (EPAC), University of California, San Francisco

Michele Long is known in the pediatric education community for her enthusiasm for teaching and for her support and engagement of learners across the continuum and across disciplines. She is passionate as a patient-centered teacher who focuses on reflection and empowerment, highlighting teachable moments with her learners. She has committed her scholarly career to collaborative projects that support all interested in medical education, having published articles on effective teaching and presented countless workshops for peers. For Dr. Long, mentorship is a priority, and she consistently helps peers and learners achieve scholarly goals related to their individual passions.

Michele is a graduate of the APA Educational Scholars Program, and in 2016 she was inducted into UCSF’s Academy of Medical Educators. She is active at the national level as a COMSEP curriculum Task force Co-Leader, and is the director of the AAMC-sponsored EPAC Pilot Project at UCSF, which is focused on developing a pediatric training pathway that spans the UME-GME continuum and follows a competency-based Core EPA framework. Michele has built a career on not only educating learners, but also on changing how we educate learners and faculty. She co-created the AAP, APA sponsored national Advancing Pediatric Educator eXcellence (APEX) Teaching Program for pediatric hospitalists. She is truly a remarkable individual who has made a significant impact on medical education across the country.

The APA Annual Teaching Award - Junior Faculty: Elizabeth Reed Hanson, MD, MA, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Associate Program Director, Pediatric Residency Program, Interim Director of Pre-Clinical Education, UT Health San Antonio School of Medicine

Dr. Liz Hanson, the recipient of the 2017 APA Teaching Award for Junior Faculty is a thoughtful and dedicated educator. As a general pediatrician with a strong background in the basic sciences, she has worked to understand the interplay between social determinants and basic biomedical underpinnings of health. It is this complex understanding that Dr. Hanson strives to bring to her learners. Nothing brings Dr. Hanson more joy then to see that light go on in their eyes when they are able to bring the pieces together and glimpse at that whole picture of what it means to be a physician who truly promotes health in their patients and community. Dr. Hanson is very involved in teaching at the University of Texas Health San Antonio School of Medicine (Associate Program Director for the Pediatric Residency Program, Module Co-Director for the MS1 Molecules to Medicine Course, Interim Director of the Pre-Clinical Curriculum). She is also active at the national level and has taken a leading role in the development of a new National Child Poverty Curriculum through her work in the Education Subcommittee of the APA Child Poverty Taskforce.

Opportunities for Engagement.

Faculty Development SIG Co-chair

The Faculty Development SIG is soliciting members interested in serving as a new Faculty Development SIG co-chair. If you are interested, please send a CV and a brief statement of interest (less than one page) to both emails below no later than Friday, April 28th. In your subject line, type: FAC DEV SIG CO-CHAIR. An interested member will be selected to serve a 3-year term as co-chair. We will stagger chair terms to allow for a smooth transition. Please feel free to contact us with any questions regarding the position. We are excited to involve new members and continue to meet the needs of the Faculty Development SIG!

SIG Co-Chairs:
**Teaching Tip. Using "Think-Time" instead of "Wait Time."**

In reviewing the educational literature, I came across the concept of "think-time." The construct was proposed by Stahl (1985) to better label the importance of giving students and trainees distinct periods of uninterrupted silence (3-5 seconds) so that there is time for processing information, feelings, and actions. I agree with Stahl in the preference of the term "think-time" instead of "wait-time" as it names the primary academic purpose of the activity of this period of silence. Try counting to at least three in your mind (one mis-sis-sip-pi, two mis-sis-sip-pi, etc.) before repeating the question or rewording it. When you ask Higher-order questions that require more thought than the simple recall questions, extend your wait time from 3 seconds to 6 to 10 seconds. The advantages of "think-times" are numerous. "For example, when students are given 3 or more seconds of undisturbed "wait-time," there are certain positive outcomes:

- The length and correctness of their responses increase.
- The number of their "I don't know" and no answer responses decreases.
- The number of volunteered, appropriate answers by larger numbers of students greatly increases.
- The scores of students on academic achievement tests tend to increase.
- When teachers wait patiently in silence for 3 or more seconds at appropriate places, positive changes in their own teacher behaviors also occur:
  - Their questioning strategies tend to be more varied and flexible.
  - They decrease the quantity and increase the quality and variety of their questions.
  - They ask additional questions that require more complex information processing and higher-level thinking on the part of students."


Read the entire article to learn about the 8 categories of "Periods of Silence."

**Web application for Teaching: Nearpod (https://nearpod.com/)**

The Nearpod platform enables teachers to use their Tablet to manage content on students' mobile devices. It combines presentation, collaboration, and real-time assessment tools into one integrated solution. Nearpod allows teachers to:

- Create Content: - Teachers log in to www.nearpod.com to create multimedia presentations with interactive features such as quizzes, videos, polls, drawing tools, and more. They can also access featured presentations from certified publishers and fellow educators.
- Engage: - In the classroom, teachers log in to the Nearpod app to share content with their students and manage the flow of the lecture. Students use the Nearpod app on their devices to receive curricular content, participate in activities and submit responses.
- Assess: - Teachers can see students' answers in real time on the Nearpod app. Additionally, teachers can log in to www.nearpod.com to access post-session data and obtain detailed activity reports.

**Article worth reading (and sharing) - Facilitated Reflective Performance Feedback....**

In addition to the great articles published in *Academic Pediatrics*, consider reading the article describing an evidence-and theory-based model for facilitating reflective performance feedback. The authors have also submitted their materials for applying this model to MedEdPORTAL.

Core Activities

CORNET Newsletter Submission - April 2017
Submitted by the CORNET Steering Committee

Dear APA Members,

We want to share with you what is new within CORNET! Please see below for updates and upcoming events.

CORNET at PAS 2017

Abstract Presentation
Learning Collaborative Model Can Improve HPV Vaccination Rates in Primary Care
AAP Presidential Plenary, Sunday, May 7th, 2:35 PM
C Rand, H Tyrrell, R Wallace-Brodeur, N Goldstein, P M Darden, S G. Humiston, C Albertin, W Stratbucker, S Schaffer, W Davis, P Szilagyi

APA Speed Learning
Sunday, May 7th, 3:45-5:45 PM
CORNET will host a table during this new, interactive event hosted by the APA. Please stop by and hear about CORNET's future plans and how you can get involved!

Project Updates

In Progress: Current Practices for Identifying and Addressing Social Determinants of Health in Continuity Clinic
The purpose of this study is to describe current residency education and continuity clinic screening practices targeting social determinants of health. Through this study, we are seeking to survey individual continuity clinic sites in CORNET. The survey will take approximately 30 minutes to complete and each respondent will receive a $25 Amazon gift card as an acknowledgement for their time.
If your site is interested in participating, please provide the name and email address of each continuity clinic site director at your program to Holly at Hollyce@academicpeds.org.

**In Progress: National Immunization Partnership with the APA (NIPA)**
This large-scale, quality improvement project coaches clinical sites through practice changes in order to increase adolescent HPV vaccination rates and limit missed opportunities for HPV vaccination at every clinic visit.

Faculty who meet minimum participation requirements will receive MOC 4 credit. Moreover, we are excited that we will be able to offer banked MOC credit for residents as well.

We are preparing abstracts based on Wave 1 and are finalizing data analysis of Wave 2. In March, we entered the implementation phase of Wave 3 with 14 participating CORNET sites.

**CORNET Presentations**
CORNET members will be presented a workshop at the APA Region II/III Meeting on March 24th at NYU, entitled, “Partnering with parent navigators to meet your care coordination/PCMH needs and promote community-engaged research.” The purpose of this workshop was to encourage collaboration between continuity clinics and local parent partners to advocate for and improve healthcare and health outcomes for children with special healthcare needs.

If you are interested in viewing the workshop materials and strengthening your clinic’s parent partnerships, please contact CORNET’s Research and Network Coordinator, Holly Tyrrell, at Hollyce@academicpeds.org.

**CORNET Executive Committee**

**Do you know your Regional Research Chair?**
Here is the current list of CORNET chairs by APA region. Please reach out to your local contact for any questions or research ideas. They would be happy to provide you with guidance and suggestions.

Region I: Mona Sharifi, mona.sharifi@yale.edu
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Region VI: Sue Heaney, Heaney@slu.edu
Region VII: Teresa Duryea, teresad@bcm.edu
Region VIII: Sharon Dabrow, sdabrow@health.usf.edu
Region IX: Wendy Hobson-Rohrer, wendy.hobson@hsc.utah.edu
Region X: Annika Hofstetter, Annika.Hofstetter@seattlechildrens.org

**Educational Scholars Program**

The Educational Scholars Program celebrated its tenth birthday last May, and this year we are welcoming a new Director to the program! I am delighted to announce that Melissa Klein, MD MEd, has accepted our offer to lead the ESP! She is richly qualified, and has many exciting plans for expanding the activities of the program, particularly in the area of educational research collaborations. She will assume the directorship at the PAS, beginning a year of transition in which she and the current director,
Connie Baldwin, will share leadership roles while Melissa learns how our complex program operates.

For those who don't yet know her, Melissa is an Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics in the Division of General and Community Pediatrics at the University of Cincinnati. She is currently Associate Residency Program Director, Director of the General Pediatric Master Educator Fellowship, and Co-Director of the Masters of Education program. She is a stellar graduate of the ESP from our second cohort. Her ESP project studied the impact of an educational intervention for interns to improve their assessment of family social and economic factors, and she has gone on to create a simulation curriculum for residents on screening families for social determinants of health. In the APA, Melissa is a sought-after mentor and faculty advisor to ESP scholars, a curriculum development leader for the Child Poverty Task Force, and Associate Editor for Education for the APA journal, Academic Pediatrics. She is well published and well-funded, and mentors many trainees and young faculty. She has demonstrated energy, dedication, and exceptional leadership in her career, winning an impressive array of teaching and advocacy awards. Please join me in welcoming Melissa as the leader of our esteemed community of scholars! We all have high expectations for the future of the program!

The next recruitment year for the ESP will be 2018. The application website will open on June 1, 2018, and the deadline for completion will be September 1. In the future, our recruitment cycles will occur every 3 years, instead of in 2 out of 3 years, and we will accept 30 scholars in a single cohort, rather than 25 scholars in each of 2 simultaneous cohorts. These changes will make the program easier to manage and allow us to focus more faculty effort on individual scholars.

Even though scholar numbers will be reduced, we will be expanding faculty participation with more opportunities for mentoring/advising, teaching and program-related research. For example, our faculty will be offering consultations to future applicants who are developing ESP project proposals, beginning at PAS in 2018. We want to give our scholars a head start on planning a high quality project with excellent prospects for completion within 3 years of program enrollment. We will also be giving ESP-sponsored workshops on educational scholarship, to create a more fertile ground for academic excellence across the pediatric educational community. We believe that these planned changes will make the ESP more rewarding for scholars, alumni and faculty alike.

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Educational Guidelines for Pediatric Residency

Are you in need of educational resources for a teaching session, workshop or course? If so, then check out the Educational Guidelines for Pediatric Residency. There are several resources for a variety of topics such as the ones listed below.

- Complementary and Alternative Medicine
- Consultations
- Leadership
- Medical Errors and Patient Safety
- Palliative Care
- Sleep and Fatigue
- Social Media and Medical Education

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LATEST NEWS: APA RESEARCH IN ACADEMIC PEDIATRICS INITIATIVE ON DIVERSITY (RAPID), SPONSORED BY NIDDK

2017 APA RAPID Scholars Selected

The APA is delighted to announce the selection of the 2017 class of Scholars for the APA Research in Academic Pediatrics Initiative on Diversity (RAPID), sponsored by the National Institutes of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK).

RAPID's goal is to recruit, retain, and provide career development and advancement for diverse junior faculty in general academic pediatrics pursuing careers in NIDDK mission areas. RAPID targets applicants who are underrepresented minorities, disabled, or from a socially, culturally, economically, or educationally disadvantaged background. The program, which includes both a research project and career development activities, consists of: 1) research grants of up to $15,000 for projects in NIDDK mission areas (pediatric obesity, nutrition, and/or sickle cell disease); 2) pairing of the RAPID scholar with a national mentor who is an accomplished senior investigator and seasoned mentor; 3) in-person mentoring and networking at an annual breakfast at the Pediatric Academic Societies meeting; 4) an annual Conference on career development and academic success, including mentoring and networking with leading researchers; and 5) RAPID Scholar telephone conference calls every two months, to provide peer support, peer mentoring, networking, a venue for presenting research in progress, and opportunities for potential research collaborations. Additional information on RAPID is available at: https://academicpeds.org/research/research_YIA_RAPID.cfm

The 2017 RAPID Scholars are:

Victor Cueto, MD
Academic General Pediatrics Fellow
Stanford University School of Medicine
Project title: "Perceptions of Physician Communication Among Latino Parents with Limited English Proficiency and Overweight or Obese Children."
Mentor: Fernando Mendoza, MD
Department Chair: Lee Sanders, MD
Tamara Gayle, MD, MEd  
Hospitalist Fellow  
Children's National Medical Center  
Project title: "Are Practitioners Identifying our Most Vulnerable Children in the Inpatient Setting at a Large Tertiary-Care Children's Hospital?"  
Mentor: Stephen Teach, MD  
Department Chair: Stephen Teach, MD

Please join us in congratulating our 2017 class of APA RAPID Scholars!

RAPID in the News

RAPID Scholars have accrued a number of superb accomplishments in the past year. These include: Cristina Fernández, 2015 RAPID Scholar, will present findings from her RAPID project, "Food, Energy, and Housing Insecurities and Adverse Child Behavior and Health," in the prestigious AAP Presidential Plenary session at PAS 2017 in San Francisco. Presidential plenaries are presented to the very highest scoring abstracts of all submitted to the PAS, making this a tremendous accomplishment for Dr. Fernández.

Thao-Ly Phan, 2014 RAPID Scholar, will present her RAPID project abstract, "Impact of Psychosocial Risk on Attrition and Weight Outcomes Among Families Seeking Treatment for Obesity," as a platform presentation in the "Obesity and Disordered Eating: Novel Approaches to Reducing Risk and Improving Outcomes in Pediatric Obesity" session at PAS 2017 in San Francisco.

Jennifer Woo Baidal, 2014 RAPID Scholar, is the recipient of the prestigious and highly competitive four-year Robert Wood Johnson Harold Amos Medical Faculty Development Award (AMFDP) for her proposal, "Applying Non-Invasive Technologies to Diagnose Pediatric Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease." AMFDP was created to increase the number of faculty from historically disadvantaged backgrounds who can achieve senior rank in academic medicine, dentistry, or nursing, and who will encourage and foster the development of succeeding classes of such physicians, dentists, and nurse-scientists.

Thao Ly-Phan, 2014 RAPID Scholar, received an NICHD K23 Career Development Award in 2016 for her proposal, "Integrating Parenting Interventions into Pediatric Obesity Care." With this grant, Dr. Ly-Phan will develop an intervention consisting of brief, tailored, culturally sensitive videos to provide guidance on the use of evidence-based parenting techniques for managing a child's obesity-related behaviors.

Suzanna Martinez, 2014 RAPID Scholar, received an NHLBI K01 Career Development Award in 2016 for her proposal, "Sleep Duration and Risk for Obesity in Mexican American Children." Dr. Martinez will examine behavioral mechanisms that link sleep duration to obesity, data that will be used to plan a randomized, controlled trial of an intervention to promote optimal healthy eating and physical activity among Mexican-American children.

Juan Espinoza, 2015 RAPID Scholar, in addition to spearheading an outstanding initiative to increase RAPID's on-line footprint and social media presence, received an APA Research Scholars Award.

Attendees of the 2015 Annual RAPID Career Development Conference co-authored a recent article in the December 2016 issue of the International Journal for Equity in Health entitled "Hot topics, urgent priorities, and ensuring success for racial/ethnic minority young investigators in academic pediatrics." This compelling article reports the findings of the 2015 Hot Topics session, which will serve as a resource for young investigators in the field of academic pediatrics. Find the open-access article here!

Esteemed RAPID National Advisory Committee (NAC) Members
The APA and RAPID leadership is very pleased to continue to work with our roster of highly accomplished and nationally renowned NAC members, who include:

**Monica L. Baskin, PhD**
Professor
Division of Preventive Medicine
The University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Medicine

**Bettina M. Beech, DrPH, MPH**
Associate Vice Chancellor of Population Health
Executive Director of the Myrlie Evers-Williams Institute for the Elimination of Disparities
Professor of Pediatrics and Family Medicine
The University of Mississippi Medical Center

**Michael DeBaun, MD, MPH**
Professor of Pediatrics and Medicine
J.C. Peterson Chair in Pediatric Pulmonology
Director, Vanderbilt-Meharry Center for Excellence in Sickle Cell Disease
Vanderbilt University School of Medicine

**Elena Fuentes-Afflick, MD, MPH**
Professor and Vice Chair of Pediatrics
Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics
University of California, San Francisco
Chief of Pediatrics, San Francisco General Hospital

**Rafael Pérez-Escamilla, PhD**
Professor of Epidemiology (Chronic Diseases)
Director, Office of Community Health
Yale University School of Public Health

**Jason Mendoza, MD, MPH**
Associate Professor of Pediatrics
Principal Investigator, Center for Child Health, Behavior and Development
Adjunct Associate Professor of Health Services
University of Washington Schools of Medicine and Public Health
Seattle Children's Research Institute
Harborview Medical Center

**Elsie Taveras, MD, MPH**
Chief, Division of General Pediatrics
Director, Pediatric Population Health Management
MassGeneral Hospital for Children
Associate Professor of Pediatrics
Harvard Medical School

**Jason Wang, MD, PhD**
Associate Professor of Pediatrics
Director, Center for Policy, Outcomes and Prevention
Division of General Pediatrics
Stanford University School of Medicine
APA RAPID Holds Fourth Annual Mentoring and Career Development Conference

RAPID held its fourth Annual Conference in Grapevine, Texas, on January 18-19, 2017. This exciting conference included a panel discussion on keys to success for young investigators, a speed-mentoring session, a reception and dinner, a keynote speech by Dr. Fernando Mendoza, research presentations by the 2016 RAPID Scholars, one-on-one mentoring sessions, and a hot-topic presentation and discussion, led by the young investigators. In addition to the two 2016 RAPID Scholars, conference attendees included 12 additional talented and accomplished young investigators (including residents, fellows, and faculty) from across the country chosen by the RAPID NAC from a strong application pool of candidates. Conference attendees included:

- **Norrell Atkinson**, Children's National Health System
- **Lisa Ayoub-Rodriguez**, Texas Tech Health Science Center – El Paso Children's Hospital
- **Omar Beckett**, Maimonides Infants and Children's Hospital of Brooklyn
- **Edward Cruz**, Zuckerberg San Francisco General
- **Vanessa Durand**, Drexel College of Medicine/St. Christopher's Hospital for Children
- **Enrique Escalante**, Children's National Health System/Freddie Mac Child and Adolescent Protection Center
- **Nia Heard-Garris**, North Campus Research Complex
- **Kheyandra Lewis**, St. Christopher's Hospital for Children
- **Colin Orr**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- **Alexandra Sims**, Children's National Health System
- **Tyler Smith**, Family Health Centers of Baltimore
- **Michelle White**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

A post-conference survey revealed uniform agreement that the conference was valuable for young investigators.

The **Fifth Annual RAPID Mentoring and Career Development Conference** will be held in January 2018. Eligible attendees include junior faculty, fellows, and residents who are members of an underrepresented minority group, disabled, or from a socially, culturally, economically, or educationally disadvantaged background, and who are committed to a career in academic general pediatrics. The Call for Nominations for the 2018 RAPID Fall Conference will be issued in October 2017, with a November 2018 deadline for submission of nomination materials. For more information, please contact Stephanie Blyskal at stephanie@academicpeds.org.

Respectfully,

**Glenn Flores, MD**  
APA RAPID Director

**Fernando Mendoza, MD, MPH**  
APA RAPID Co-Director

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Regions

Region II/III
Over 120 attendees took part in the annual APA Region II/III meeting on Friday, March 24, 2017! This joint Region II/III meeting was held at the NYU School of Medicine / NYU Langone Medical Center in Manhattan, NY. Attendees were welcomed with opening remarks by Arthur Fierman, MD, Director, Division of General Pediatrics at the NYU School of Medicine. Mona Hanna-Attisha, MD, MPH, Director of the Pediatric Public Health Initiative at the Hurley Children’s Hospital at Hurley Medical Center, and an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Michigan State University College of Human Medicine, gave an inspirational keynote address on "The Flint Water Crisis: A Journey for Justice". We were all inspired by her development of an innovative and model public health program to research, monitor and mitigate the impact of lead in Flint’s drinking water. Participants were able to choose from three workshops: "Partnering with Parent Navigators: Improving Care and Promoting Community Engaged Research" (led by Susan Feigelman, MD, Lin Perry, MPA, Ann Phillips, Iman Sharif, MD, MPH and Hollyce Tyrrell, MSSW), "Management of Adolescent Depression in Primary Care: Tips and Pearls" (led by Diane Bloomfield, MD, and Ruth E. K. Stein, MD), and "The Whys and Hows to Address Burnout" (led by Michael J Beck, MD, FAAP, SSGB and Chris O’Hara, MD). There were 32 posters on display during the poster session. The lunchtime networking session was led by a group of 10 esteemed mentors, including Michael Beck, MD, Susan Bostwick, MD, MBA, Esther Chung MD, MPH, Arthur Fierman, MD, Alan Mendelsohn, MD, Suzette Oyeku, MD, MPH, Lee Pachter, DO, Ian Paul, MD, MSc, Iman Sharif, MD, MS, MPH, and Steven Shelov, MD, with topics at tables spanning advocacy, medical education, and funding opportunities for early stage investigators. At the Business meeting, Susan Bostwick, MD, MBA, APA President-elect, gave a brief update and overview about what is going on in the APA. The day concluded with a platform session composed of 8 outstanding presentations.

We are looking forward to seeing Region II members at the upcoming PAS meeting in San Francisco! Our APA Region II breakfast will be held Monday, May 8th from 7-8 am in Yerba Buena Salon 2 at the Marriott Marquis.

Note that this is the last year of the 3 year term for the current Region II co-chairs. We welcome the new Region II Chairs, Katie McPeak, MD, and John C. Rausch, MD, MPH, who are starting in May 2017; they will be joined by Melissa Cellini, MD, MSEd in May 2018.

We are also excited to announce our new Chair for the Region II Young Investigator Grant Program, Niki Kyvelos, MD.

If you have are interested in helping us plan Region II activities, or have any comments, suggestions, or questions, please let us know!

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Dear Region IV members,

Another successful regional meeting is on the books! We had record attendance this year as folks from all over the region made the journey to Charlottesville in February. The mild weather encouraged many to explore Downtown Charlottesville and its ever-expanding dining and cultural offerings. Meeting attendees enjoyed the chance to network with colleagues. Old friendships were rekindled and new ones formed. We were happy to see a strong showing from fellows and residents as well as medical students and research coordinators. It was great to see such enthusiasm and excitement during plenary and poster presentations. We had 15 Platform Presentations and a lively Poster Session with 30 posters.

Karen Remley, CEO of the AAP, gave an inspiring Keynote address titled "A Mission for Children: AAP's Blueprint for the New Political Environment." She reminded us, as pediatricians, to speak up and advocate for the needs of all children. We had a fantastic National APA update this year from Mary Ottolini who discussed national priorities for the organization. The Meet the Professor Breakfast offered a variety of mentoring opportunities in small groups, and we continued the Speed Mentoring session which was fast-paced and well-received.

Special thanks to the meeting planning committee, speakers, and Breakfast and Speed mentors for your contributions to the meeting. Lastly, PLEASE consider bringing a friend, mentor, or mentee back with you next year - the more the merrier!

**Congratulations to all the presenters including the 2017 APA Region IV Meeting Research Awardees:**

**Faculty Research Award**
Elizabeth Wolf, MD; Children's Hospital of Richmond at VCU
Title: The Role of Drug Treatment Access on the Relationship Between Adult Opiate Use and Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome

**Fellow Research Award:**
Olayemi Ola, MD; University of Maryland School of Medicine
Title: Impact of PRBC Transfusions and Feeding on Intestinal Barrier Function in Preterm Infants

**Resident Research Awards:**
Matthew Molloy, MD, MPH; Johns Hopkins School of Medicine
Title: Short-term Outcomes of Pediatric Minor Injuries Sustained at Home

Amy Swerdfeger, MBBS; Sinai Hospital of Baltimore
Title: Effects of a Standardized Feeding Protocol on Weight Gain in Very Low Birth Weight Infants

**Medical Student/Research Coordinator Research Award:**
Jeremy Owens and Krisha Nayak, Eastern Virginia Medical School
Title: Nutritional Assessment of Snacks and Beverages in Southeastern Virginia Daycare Centers

Sophie Ravanbakht, Duke University School of Medicine
Title: Effects of Parent and Child Nativity on Child Obesity Among US Hispanics

Finally, we hope to see you in San Francisco at the APA Region IV Breakfast at PAS to be held on Monday, May 8th from 7:00am - 8:00am in the Yerba Buena Salon 4 - Marriott Marquis. Please join us if you can. Looking even further ahead, send us your ideas for the 2018 Region IV meeting! We will announce the conference date at the Region IV Breakfast.
Region VIII

Regions VII and VIII hosted their annual meeting February 11-13, 2017 in New Orleans during the Southern Regional Societies Meeting. In addition to original science and clinical case presentations, the meeting included two APA-sponsored workshops. “Let’s Get Social: Being an Advocate in the Digital World,” was presented by Rachel Dawkins (Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital), Lisa Costello (West Virginia University), Elizabeth Meade (Swedish Medical Center), and Jennifer Wolford (University of Pittsburgh), and “Micro to Macro Teaching in the Busy Clinical Setting” was presented by Kim Hoang, Sarah Denniston, and Adam Wolfe (Baylor College of Medicine and the Children's Hospital of San Antonio). We were very pleased to have Sue Bostwick, APA president-elect, join us during our meeting this year to share an update on current APA activities. We also enjoyed networking and an update on CORNET by Paul Darden (University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center) during our APA breakfast. Regions VII and VIII gave joint awards for the best case presentations at the Pediatric Clinical Case Symposium. The following awards were given:

First Place: Kathleen Richard, University of Alabama at Birmingham
Second Place: Paul Redmond, University of Mississippi Medical Center
Third Place: Emily Masoumy, Children's Hospital of Georgia at Augusta

We hope to see you at the Pediatric Academic Societies Annual Meeting May 6-9, 2017! If you are making
the trip to San Francisco, please plan to join us at your APA Region Breakfast on Monday, May 8 from 7:00-8:00 am in the Marriott Marquis Yerba Buena Salon 13 (Region VII) and 14 (Region VIII).

**Region VII Co-Chairs**
Adam Wolfe  
Amanda Dumas  
Stephanie DeLeon

**Region VIII Co-Chairs**
Deborah Winders Davis  
Amy Pattishall  
Jaime Pittenger

Dear Region IX and X APA Members,

Thank you to all who came out for the annual Region IX & X APA meeting in Monterey, California in early February. This year's meeting was well attended by 80+ physicians and trainees. The meeting proved to be a lively one with excellent oral abstract presentations plus roundtable discussions of both scientific abstracts and works in progress.

The keynote addresses this year were both insightful and informative. We heard from Dr. Lisa McLeod on how to translate QI into impact on patient care through effective dissemination and implementation. Dr. Alan Schroder spoke about "safely doing less," reminding us to continually evaluate our medical management choices to minimize patient harm and avoid overdiagnosis/overtreatment. Our four invited workshops covered a variety of essential topics: Intro to Survey Design, Fun with Logistic Regression, Engaging Digital Learners, and Strategies for Teaching Humanism.

We also had the privilege of honoring four trainees with the Paul C. Young, MD Trainee Research Award Award. The award recognizes the top scoring trainee original research abstracts at the region meeting. Congratulations to the recipients: Michael Bentz, Laura Chappell-Campbell, Chelsea Garnett, and Sara Pavitt!

Lastly, we are looking forward to networking with you all again at PAS in San Francisco. Please join us at the APA Region IX & X Breakfast on **Monday, May 8th from 7am - 8am in Yerba Buena 10 & 11 at the San Francisco Marriott Marquis**. Two of the Paul Young award recipients will be presenting their abstracts at the breakfast. We hope to see you in San Francisco!

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Special Interest Groups

Advocacy Training

We are excited to announce an upcoming collaborative meeting with our Advocacy Training SIG and our Environmental Health SIG at this year's PAS meeting! We have an expert panel of experts focusing on our advocacy efforts in environmental health including:

Ruth Etzel, MD, PhD, FAAP, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Child Health Protection

Mark Miller, MD, MPH Co-Director, Western States Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit at University of California San Francisco; Director, Children's Environment Health Program, California Environmental Protection Agency

Robert Gould, MD, Director, Health Professional Outreach and Education at Program on Reproductive Health and the Environment, University of California San Francisco, Past-President Physicians for Social Responsibility

As usual we will also highlight our trainees amazing work in advocacy including oral and poster presentations! Come join your colleagues and see the amazing work we are doing to advocate for child health in our communities and get a chance to network with like-minded individuals!

Advocacy Training SIG Co-Chairs  
Sara Bode, Marny Dunlap, Margi Rosenthal, and Nancy Kelly

Environmental Health SIG Co-Chairs  
Marissa Hauptman, Mamta Fuloria, Abby Fleisch
For those of you who are coming to San Francisco, don't forget to wear flowers in your hair (Scott McKenzie), or at least come to the great offerings sponsored by the Continuity Special Interest Group. You will absolutely love the main course, our annual Continuity SIG meeting, and for a delightful dessert, our workshop, Continuity Boot Camp: Basic Training for Continuity Clinic Faculty.

Our Continuity SIG meeting will take place on Saturday, May 6, from 8:30-11:30, the first day of PAS. After a few key updates on the RRC, news about CORNET and a status report on our best practices Delphi project, we will explore some relevant topics about teaching and learning in the continuity setting. Continuity is more than well child care, learning takes place in more places than the conference room, and education is framed by more than the curriculum. We will discuss these topics, with participants sharing some of their best innovations. After small group reports, we will finish with our always popular Quick Conti Consults.

The workshop, Continuity Boot Camp: Basic Training for Continuity Clinic Faculty will take place on Sunday, May 7, from 12-3. This workshop is designed to meet the needs of both new continuity faculty and those of more experienced continuity faculty, as well as learners, who want to enhance their skills. We surveyed members of our SIG to identify core topics that faculty wanted to know more about to improve their continuity education and chose the four most popular topics to discuss in the workshop. After reviewing the purpose and RRC requirements for the continuity experience in residency education, participants will have a chance to share their own innovative ideas in presenting their continuity education. Two small group sessions will allow participants to discuss and explore four topics: curriculum development, faculty development, evaluation of residents, and practice management. A summative large group session will be held and a toolkit with topic-related and general resources will be provided. Throw in the opportunity to participate in a scholarly work and you have a great experience! Lots to learn and we guarantee that you will have lots of fun.

So please plan to join us. You may leave your heart in San Francisco, but you'll return home with a lot of useful information and tools to make your continuity education "golden."

Daylight savings time has officially arrived. Around the corner is our eighth annual e-Learning SIG meeting. This year our SIG meeting is in San Francisco, home of the first cable car, the crookedest street in the world, and the Giants. We are excited to share with you our SIG e-learning agenda with a variety of speakers and topics.

**Agenda for 2017 e-Learning SIG**
**Date:** Sunday, May 7, 2017  
**Time:** 8:00 am - 11:00AM  
**Course Number:** E-Learning in Medical Education (2234)  
**Location:** Marriott Marquis (Pacific Suite I)  
**Co-Chairs:**  
- Michal Cidon, MD  
- Jeff Sestokas, M.Ed  
- Traci Wolbrink, MD MPH

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| 8:00 – 8:20am | Welcome, introduction, and interactive experience to gather e-learning experience  
*Presenter: Michal Cidon, MD* |
| 8:20 – 8:40am | **Title:** Health Professionals Education Challenges  
*Presenter: Traci Wolbrink, MD MPH*  
**Description:** In this presentation, the presenter will discuss some of the current challenges facing health professional educators and describe emerging solutions. |
| 8:40 – 9:10am | **Title:** Four levels of Multimedia Design  
*Presenter: Jeff Sestokas, M.Ed*  
**Description:** In this presentation, the presenter will provide an overview of four levels of learner-centered interaction and how this paradigm plays a role in sophisticated eLearning design. Further, the presenter will show examples of how different levels of interactive experiences allow learners to passively absorb information and actively practice along a continuum of engaged skill acquisition for long-term knowledge retention and real world operation. |

**Environmental Health and Developmental Behavioral**

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Dear Ethics SIG members,

We are excited for our meeting in San Francisco!

Our meeting is scheduled for May 8, 2017, 8:30-11:30 at Sierra Suite E - Marriott Marquis. Our session title is *Difficulties of Being an Ethicist*.

Here is our agenda:
- Announcement of the winners of our 6th ethics essay contest.
- *Mindfulness and self-care while being an ethicist* --- Chris Feudtner
- *Challenges of doing an ethics consultation and impact on the ethicist* -- Panel Discussion - Chris Feudtner, Doug Diekema, Becky Benson, Josh Arthur, John Lantos

In this session participants will hear from the experts about the challenges of ethics consultations in pediatrics; from the perspective of the requester and the provider (ethicist). We have solicited opinions of providers via list serves on this topic and will share these with you at the meeting. We will further discuss and identify the impact of ethics consultations on ethicists and discuss ways which ethicists can use to relieve the impact of emotional labor ethicist experience while doing ethics consultations. We look forward to a lively session!

Dr. Salih will be stepping down as ethics SIG co-chair this year. We are soliciting nominations for a new ethics SIG co-chair who would start in July. If you are interested in being considered please contact us.

Hope to see you again in San Francisco!

Warmest wishes,

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**Adrian Lavery, M.D., MPH**
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Loma Linda, CA
Happy spring to all!

Save the date! Our EBP SIG session will be on **Monday, May 8, from 8:30 - 11:30 AM.**
We have a wonderful program planned, and we hope you will join us!
Topics and speakers include:

**An initiative to increase Evidence Based Medicine skills & teaching among pediatric hospital medicine faculty and fellows**
Sowdhamini Wallace, DO, Teena Hadvani, MD and Katie Ban, MD

**HPV Grant**
Robert M. Jacobson, MD

**A Journal Club Blog to achieve faculty participation in EBM**
Emily C. Webber MD, Andrew Shriner, MD

**Evidence Based Medicine inspires Quality Improvement**
Monique Naifeh, MD

**Is most published research false in Pediatrics, too?**
*(A discussion of meta-analyses in pediatrics)*
Shawn Ralston, MD, MS

In our business meeting we will briefly update the group on EBP projects and plans, including the conclusion of the librarian survey, the start of the HPV Grant (and how you can get involved).

We will welcome Chrystal Wittcopp as the new co-chair, joining Monique, as Rachel's term comes to a close.

And, as always, we look forward to exhilarating discussions among the group. Do come to the meeting - bring your ideas, excitement, your thoughts for future projects, and bring your friends!

All the best,

Rachel and Monique

Rachel Boykan and Monique Naifeh, APA EBP SIG co-chairs

[http://www.academicpeds.org/specialInterestGroups/sig_evidence_based_medicine.cfm](http://www.academicpeds.org/specialInterestGroups/sig_evidence_based_medicine.cfm)
Opportunities for Engagement.

Faculty Development SIG Co-chair
The Faculty Development SIG is soliciting members interested in serving as a new Faculty Development SIG co-chair. If you are interested, please send a CV and a brief statement of interest (less than one page) to both emails below no later than Friday, April 28th. In your subject line, type: FAC DEV SIG CO-CHAIR. An interested member will be selected to serve a 3-year term as co-chair. We will stagger chair terms to allow for a smooth transition. Please feel free to contact us with any questions regarding the position. We are excited to involve new members and continue to meet the needs of the Faculty Development SIG!

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Fellowship Training

The Fellowship Training SIG welcomes fellowship faculty, fellows, former fellows, and anyone interested in fellowship training to join our SIG session at the PAS Annual Meeting in San Francisco on Monday, May 8, 2017, 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM.

Presenters will each talk for 5-10 minutes about a novel or special part of their fellowship training program:

- Sara Johnson, PhD (Johns Hopkins – AGP): Scholarship Oversight Committee (SOC) & Education series (focused on principles of adult learning)
- Corinna Rea, MD, MPH (Harvard - AGP): Clinical rotations to develop expertise
- Melissa M. Carbajal, MD (Baylor – NICU): Fellowship Retreat
- Heather French (CHOP - NICU): Scholarly Pathways
- Arthur Fieman, MD (NYU – AGP): Medical Writing Sessions
- Iris Borowsky, MD PhD (U Minn- AGP): Equity and Diversity Lunch Discussions
- Debra Bogen, MD (U Pittsburgh - AGP): Peer Writing Seminar

We are looking forward to exchanging great ideas and having an interactive and informative SIG meeting. Please contact Debra Bogen - bogendl@upmc.edu or Iris Borowsky - borrow004@umn.edu with questions.

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Health Literacy

Come join us for the Health Literacy Special Interest Group (SIG) at the upcoming 2017 PAS meeting in San Francisco in May!

Tuesday May 9th
9:30am-12:30pm
Sierra Suite C- Marriott Marquis

This year our Health Literacy SIG meeting will have a special guest speaker, Dr. Benard Dreyer! Many of you know him as the former president of the APA and AAP, but he is also a tireless advocate for health literacy, childhood literacy, and poor and underserved populations. He will share his perspectives on future directions and needs with respect to health literacy from the research, advocacy, and education perspectives. During the meeting, interactive work groups will plan the next research, education, and practice priorities. This year, participants are encouraged to bring in specific examples of interventions in research, education, and practice; we hope that by sharing individual solutions we can generate a common understanding of current efforts in the field.
As we have each year, we will be sharing with you a "Health Literacy Guide to PAS" via email, as well as posting it on the APA wiki page. We welcome ideas from all of you regarding the topics you would most be interested in concentrating on as part of the Health Literacy Special Interest Group, as we seek to advance our goals in research, education, and practice! We hope to see you in San Francisco!

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Hospital Medicine

- Please join us at the Hospital Medicine SIG meeting at PAS on Monday, May 8th from 8:30-11:30am - This year's SIG meeting will be a joint session between the HM and Patient and Family-Centered Care SIGs titled "Engaging Patients and Families in Hospital Care."

As clinicians, we strive to not only provide care for and communicate with patients but to also incorporate families of our patients into everything we do. As such, it is important to meaningfully engage patients and families in hospital care and processes; however, accomplishing this can be challenging. We are planning to specifically address 4 topic areas: patient/family engagement in family-centered rounds, patient/family engagement in hospital safety, using technology to engage patients and families in the hospital setting and family-centered transitions of care from hospital to home. The session will include an opportunity to interact with and learn from experts in hospital medicine who have found ways to successfully engage patients and families in hospital care. We encourage all hospitalists and others interested in patient/family centered care to join us!

We will also have a "Business Portion" of the SIG meeting where we will have the opportunity to hear from representatives from the ABP PHM Sub-board and education task force.

- Register NOW for PHM 2017 and Submit Award Nominations!

Pediatric Hospital Medicine Meeting
July 20th-23rd, 2017
Omni Nashville, Nashville, TN

Don't miss PHM 2017! A ton of great programming is on the schedule making this year's meeting a "must see" for all pediatric hospitalists! You can register at http://www.peds2017.org/register/. Save money and register early (on or before June 7th, 2017)!

Hotel rooms can also be booked at a discounted rate at http://www.peds2017.org/hotel-travel/.

We are also seeking nominations for those individuals (or groups) that have contributed to our field over the past year within the following categories: Quality and Patient Safety, Research, Education,
Clinical Care, and Collaborative Impact (team project). Nominations are due Friday, April 14th and can be submitted here: [http://www.peds2017.org/phm-awards/](http://www.peds2017.org/phm-awards/).

- Welcome to the Consortium of Pediatric Hospital Medicine

  Given the rapid progression of the field of PHM over the past few years and the recent approval for PHM to become a board certified specialty through the ABP, the three sponsoring organizations of PHM (including the APA, the AAP and the Society of Hospital Medicine) have formed the Consortium of Pediatric Hospital Medicine (CPHM) to provide a unified home for PHM and its key stakeholders. The APA Hospital Medicine Co-Chairs are members of the CPHM and will represent the interests of the APA Hospital Medicine SIG membership within the group.

LGBTQ Health and Well Being

PAS is just around the corner and we are looking forward to seeing you in San Francisco. The LGBTQ Health and Well-Being SIG will be meeting on Monday May 8th from 8:30 - 11:30 am at the Marriott Marquis Pacific Suite C. We have a very exciting and educational agenda planned with plenty of time for active participation.

Agenda:
8:30 - 8:45: Welcome and introductions
8:45 - 9:45: Gender-Nonconforming Children and Youth: Innovations in Treatment and Research
  Diane Ehrensaft PhD - Mental Health Director of the UCSF Child and Adolescent Gender Center Clinic
  As a result of the increasing demand of children, youth, and their families for care related to their gender diverse development, and in response to social and political actions that stand to harm this vulnerable population of youth, a group of international experts in the fields of medicine, mental health, education, and law formed a consortium to consolidate a gender affirmative model for interdisciplinary pediatric gender care. The model is based on the premise that gender variations are a healthy component of human development and that optimal care of gender-nonconforming children and their families involves an interdisciplinary team approach. This presentation reports on the evidence based research that contributed to the current status of this model, focusing on its underlying theory and basic tenets, goals of treatment, and practice implementation. Using a clinical case example from the UCSF Child and Adolescent Gender Center Clinic, the audience will have an opportunity to see this model in action and determine if it would be applicable to implement in their home institutions.

9:45 - 10:45: The State of State LGBTQ Policy
  Jim Pawelski, Director, Division of State Government Affairs, AAP
  Since the landmark US Supreme Court marriage equality decision in 2015, states have seen an influx in proposals that threaten the health, well-being, and family and social relationships of LGBTQ youth and LGBTQ parents and their children. Bills and policies to deny access and accommodation to LGBTQ people, promote conversion therapy, challenge adoption rights and foster parenting, and isolate transgender students were seen in 2016. But progress continues to be made too. Protections for LGBTQ students against bullying, bans on conversion therapy, and nondiscrimination in health care and family leave laws are advancing. Join us for a closer look at what’s happening and learn what you can do to make a difference.

10:45 - 11:00: Updates from the AAP, APPD, and AMA

11:00 - 11:30: Planning for PAS 2018
  The program committee is interested in more LGBTQ related material submitted next year. Let’s collaborate
and develop Invited Science, Topic Symposia, and Workshops! Suggested topics include LGBT stigma, Transgender Care, Health Care reform, Parenting and Adoption, Advocacy strategies, and Medical School and Pediatric Residency curricula.

Finally, Ellen, Dave, and I are recruiting for the next co-leader of the LGBTQ Health and Well-Being SIG. Please e-mail us or speak with us at PAS if this opportunity excites you.

See you all soon!!!!
David Jaffe (djaffe@aap.org)
Brian Lurie (Brian.Lurie@atlantichealth.org)
Ellen Perrin (eperrin@tuftsmedicalcenter.org)

Pediatric Clinical Research Networks

The Pediatric Clinical Research Networks Special Interest Group (PCRN SIG) will be meeting at PAS from 8:30 – 11:30 on Saturday morning, May 6th in the Marriott Marquis, Sierra Suite I.

The PCRN SIG is a forum for PAS members who either are involved in or are planning to establish clinical research networks (defined as enduring multi-site clinical research collaborations). Representatives of a diverse group of primary care (PBRNs), specialist, and disease-specific networks meet to discuss common challenges and potential solutions to those challenges, offer consultation to those planning or launching new networks, and hear other news on topics of interest to network researchers.

This meeting will feature presentations on two new networks. Drs Christine Turley of the University of South Carolina, Robert Annett of the University of Mississippi and Paul Darden of the University of Oklahoma will present on the IDeA States Pediatric Clinical Trials Network (ISPCTN) network. Dr Christina Olson of Children's Hospital Colorado will present on the Standardized Pediatric Research on Outcomes and Utilization of TeleHealth (SPROUT) network. After each presentation, attendees will offer consultation to the presenters on starting and building research networks.

In addition, we will have sessions on:

- Using a single IRB for multi-centered trials:
  - Rachel Sak, RN, MPH, Elena Hoskin, MPH CCRA and Nate Buscher will present UCSF’s Biomedical Research Acceleration, Integration, and Development (BRIAD) program
  - They will be joined by John Finkelstein, MD of Boston Children’s Hospital in a discussion about implementing this new rule.

- Internetwork collaborations featuring:
  - Karen Wilson, MD of Pediatric Research in Inpatient Settings (PRIS)
  - Iman Shariff, MD of Continuity Research Network (CORNET)
  - Richard Ruddy, MD of Pediatric Emergency Care Applied Research Network (PECARN)
  - Alex Fiks, MD of Pediatric Research in Office setting (PROS) and Pediatric Research Consortium (PeRC)
  - C. Jason Wang, MD, PhD of PCHA-UHA Primary Care Physician Network

We look forward to seeing network researchers from both new and experienced networks on the morning of May 6th. We will send an APA Listserv reminder in mid-late April.
Pediatric Tobacco Issues

The countdown to PAS in SF is on, and we are excited for our annual Pediatric Tobacco Issues SIG meeting on May 6th, 8:30 - 11:30am! Mark your calendars!

We've got some great speakers lined up...see below for what we've got planned!

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Since 2017-18 is the final year of Susan & I being co-chairs, at the meeting, we'll also be electing a third co-chair to join us for our final year to help ease the transition into 2018-19. If you're interested, definitely let us know!
And finally, after this SIG meeting, please join us for the "Electronic Cigarettes and Vaping: What You and Your Patients Don't Know Can Hurt Them" session from 3-5 on May 6th! (location TBD)

See you in SF!

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Teaching in Community Settings

Teaching in Community Settings/Obesity Combined SIG Program
How do you teach residents and students to address the epidemic of obesity among children in our country? What innovative approaches have been tried? What methods have been shown to work best? If you want or have answers to these questions, please join the combined meeting of our SIG with the Obesity SIG on Sunday, May 7, 2017 from 8-11 am (Pacific Suite C at the Marriott Marquis) at PAS in San Francisco. We look forward to an engaging discussion of innovative approaches led by national experts in the field. Presentations will focus on medical student education, resident education, motivational interviewing, and education via telehealth platforms. Whether you teach students, residents, or patients and their families, this session will focus on practical approaches that can work in a busy community setting. Won't you please join us in San Francisco?

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Qualitative Research

We are pleased to announce a joint meeting of the Qualitative Research SIG and the Medical Student Education SIG at PAS, to bring together researchers and educators with a focus on medical student education related research questions. This combined SIG will be on Sat May 6, 2017 at 8:30am in the Sierra Suite H at the Marriott Marquis in San Francisco. Practical examples from the medical student education literature that employ qualitative research methods will be used to provide background. Participants are welcome to bring their ideas and works in progress for work in facilitated small groups to share areas that participants are pondering or struggling with as well as possible ways to address the struggles. We offer skill building stations for participants to gain experience: 1) developing research questions pertaining to key topics in medical student education that can be answered through qualitative research methods, and 2) hands-on experience in analysis (introduction to coding).
Research Scholars Program Graduates Its Second Cohort

Twelve scholars will graduate from the Research Scholars Program at the Pediatric Academic Societies meeting in May. Congratulations to this year’s graduating scholars: Jessica Bettenhausen, Eric Coon, Jenniver Ehrhardt, Nora Emara, Elizabeth Halvorson, Justin Josephsen, Laura Kair, Alisa Khan, Jaspreet Loyal, Kimberly Randell, Alyssa Silver, and Omolara Uwemedimo.

These scholars have completed a three-year program that includes a day-long series of workshops each year at the PAS meeting and a three-year series of large group webinars, small group discussions and assignments. Each scholar has gained the skills needed to design, implement, seek funding for and publish qualitative and quantitative research, as well as skills needed for professional development. Each scholar has also successfully completed a mentored research project. For more information about the Research Scholars Program, contact one of the program leaders (listed below) or see the full description on the APA website (https://www.academicpeds.org/research/APA_ResearchScholarsProgram.cfm)

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APA's Literacy Development Programs in Primary Care SIG Chair has article featured in the New York Times

Last week, one of APA's Literacy Development Programs in Primary Care SIG Chairs, Dr. Perri Klass, had an article featured in the NY Times! Within this article, previous Young Investigator Awardee, Dr. Jenny Radesky, was quoted as well!

You can read the article here: https://www.nytimes.com/2017/03/20/well/family/the-guilty-secret-of-distracted-parenting.html.
the health and psychological well being of children, youth, and their families through science and an evidence based approach to practice, education, training, advocacy, and consultation.

Areas of expertise within the field include, but are not limited to: psychosocial, developmental and contextual factors contributing to the etiology, course and outcome of pediatric medical conditions; assessment and treatment of behavioral and emotional concomitants of illness, injury, and developmental disorders; prevention of illness and injury; promotion of health and health-related behaviors; education, training and mentoring of psychologists and providers of medical care; improvement of health care delivery systems and advocacy for public policy that serves the needs of children, adolescents, and their families.

The Division sponsors the Society of Pediatric Psychology Annual Conference (SPPAC, http://www.societyofpediatricpsychology.org/node/679) with 700+ members in attendance, and hosts two well respected Journals: The Journal of Pediatric Psychology and Clinical Practice in Pediatric Psychology. Members are a rich resource for research collaboration with pediatrician and other medical colleagues, and expertise covers the range of pediatric populations in general as well as specialty areas (with 19 current Special Interest Groups reflecting various medical issues such as Hematology-Oncology, Adherence, Obesity, Allergic Diseases, etc).

Additional information can be found at: http://www.societyofpediatricpsychology.org/ or contact Sharon Berry, PhD, ABPP at Sharon.berry@childrensmn.org

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