



AAP SOMSRFT REPORT

SECTION ON MEDICAL STUDENTS, RESIDENTS AND FELLOWSHIP TRAINEES
District II: New York State

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SOMSRFT is on Facebook!

Expand your network of medical students, residents and fellowship trainees in New York by joining the "AAP District II (NY) SOMSRFT" Facebook group. Some of the FAAP chapter leaders are honorary members of our group as well.

Top 3 Most Useful AAP Resources for Residents

Here are the top 3 selections of the best resources from the AAP:



1. How could you build your ILP (Individualized Learning Plan) without PediaLink? Plus, you get on-line access to PREP.

2.



The Red Book and "Pediatrics Journal" are definite "must-have's" for every pediatrician.

3. **PREP**

PREP is a great resource for in-service exams and board preparation.

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Learn more about your AAP District (NY State).



Check out our official websites!

District website:

www.aapdistrictii.org

SOMSRFT website:

www.aap.org/sections/ypn/r/resident/districts/districtii.html

NIH Loan Repayment Program

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) repays outstanding student loans through its extramural Loan Repayment Programs (LRPs). The LRPs target researchers who are or will be conducting nonprofit biomedical or behavioral research, and the application cycle opens September 1. The five extramural LRPs are Clinical Research, Pediatric Research, Health Disparities Research, Contraception and Infertility Research, and Clinical Research for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds. Applications will be accepted online until 8:00 p.m. Eastern time on **December 1, 2009**, at www.lrp.nih.gov.

Secretary Sebelius Makes Recovery Act Funding Available to Expand Health Professions Training

HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius announced the availability of \$200 million to support grants, loans, loan repayment, and scholarships to expand the training of health care professionals. To see the memorandum, click here.



Invitation to MedImmune Awards Reception During 2009 AAP Annual Meeting

During the 2009 AAP Annual Meeting in Washington, DC, MedImmune will be hosting an Awards Reception for the winners of the 'Follow-up Care of the Premature Infant' Fellowship Research grants. The recipients are Stephanie Merhar, MD (Cincinnati Children's Hospital), Erin Osterholm, MD (University of Minnesota), Jennifer Poon, MD (Medical University of South Carolina) and Charles Sauer, MD (University of California, San Diego). The reception will be held on Monday, October 19th, from 5:30 - 7:30 PM in Constitution Ballroom B at the Grand Hyatt Washington.

Most residents and fellows are largely unaware of the existence of the MedImmune-funded research grants. These grants are provided to support research that is conducted during fellowship training and is focused on the following 2 areas: a) Viral Respiratory Diseases (grants are awarded in the Spring) and b) Follow-up Care of the Premature Infant (grants are awarded in the Fall). This invitation is intended to generate awareness about these grants among current 3rd and 4th year residents as well as fellows (in any year of training) who are/will be in an ABP-accredited fellowship program during the upcoming academic year. It will also provide a terrific opportunity to interact and network with other residents and fellows. You may send an e-mail to Dr. Veena Kumar if you have any questions. We hope you can join us!

National Conference & Exhibition SOMSRFT Program

The 2009 AAP National Conference & Exhibition is right around the corner October 17-20. The Section on Medical Students, Residents and Fellowship Trainees has an exciting program planned for Saturday, October 17th. This is also the section's 20th anniversary, so don't forget to check out the reception Friday evening, October 16th for a great opportunity to network, see the clinical case and international travel grant posters, as well as celebrate. Click here for more information on the conference and how to register.

AAP National Election - President-Elect Question & Answer

The annual process to elect a new president of the AAP is in full swing and the National Nominating Committee has narrowed down the choices to two candidates for the position of president-elect. Both of these candidates have written responses to a question that asked their opinion on ways to encourage pediatricians in training and young physicians to be more active in the Academy. Please click here for their responses to this question. Unfortunately, residents in training do not at this time have the opportunity to vote for president-elect as this privilege is currently reserved for members with an FAAP status. However, a resolution was passed at this year's Annual Leadership Forum which, if approved by the national AAP membership, will allow members of the SOMSRFT executive committee to vote in the election for national president-elect. As a Section, we will continue to push to ensure that the voice of pediatricians in training and young physicians is adequately heard throughout the AAP.

International Elective Awards

Each academic year the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) will have a minimum of twelve, five-hundred dollar (\$500.00) awards to be given in **two cycles** (number awarded per cycle will be at the discretion of the review committee) to categorical or combined-training pediatric residents who wish to complete a clinical pediatric elective in the developing world during residency. Awards are given solely on the basis of the application and an accompanying letter from the applicant's program director. The selection committee is composed of members from the AAP Section on International Child Health (SOICH) and the AAP Section on Medical Students, Residents and Fellowship Trainees (SOMSRFT).

Applicants must be a member of SOICH in order to apply. Click here for further eligibility requirements for this award.

The International Elective Awards will be given within two cycles, due **September 15** and **March 15**. Recipients of the September cycle will be notified by November 30 and recipients of the March cycle will be notified by May 31 each year. The online application will be available year round at http://www.aap.org/sections/ypn/r/funding_awards/intertravelgrant-form.html

For more information, contact Kimberley VandenBrook, Program Coordinator Resident Initiatives, or 800/433-9016 ext. 7134.

The Section on Injury, Violence, and Poison Prevention

The Section on Injury, Violence, and Poison Prevention (SOIVPP) is looking for Resident members with fresh ideas and the potential for future leadership in the field. Membership is open to all Resident Fellows with an interest in injury, violence, and poison prevention.

The SOIVPP is dedicated to educating general pediatricians and pediatric subspecialists on the prevention of injuries, violence, and poisonings; it hosts educational programs at the National Conference and Exhibition and offers its members a semiannual newsletter and access to the section's Listserv. Hot topics include violence and bullying prevention, child passenger safety, teen driving safety, drowning prevention, and household injury prevention.

For additional information, please visit the SOIVPP Web site at <http://www.aap.org/sections/ipp>, or feel free to contact Bonnie Koziel at bkoziel@aap.org

Leadership Opportunities for Residents and Fellowship Trainees

Are you interested in becoming a leader in the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Section on Medical Students, Residents and Fellowship Trainees? Each year the section recruits interested residents and fellowship trainees into leadership positions.

The following positions are open:

- District coordinator
- Assistant district coordinator
- Section secretary
- Section vice chairperson

The deadline for the above positions is Oct 1, 2009.

Section liaisons:

- AMA-Resident Fellow Section
- Committee on Federal Government Affairs
- Committee on Pediatric Research
- Committee on Residency Scholarships
- Community Access to Child Health (CATCH)
- Council on Clinical Information Technology
- Council on Community Pediatrics
- Council on School Health
- Section on Adolescent Health
- Section on Breastfeeding
- Section on Child Abuse and Neglect
- Section on Early Education and Child Care
- Section on Home Care
- Section on International Child Health

The deadline for liaison positions is Nov 1, 2009.

More information can be found on our Leadership Opportunities page of the YPN.

Provisional Section on Hospice and Palliative Medicine (PSOHPM)

The AAP Provisional Section on Hospice and Palliative Medicine (PSOHPM) was established in 2008 to support pediatricians who are members of the multi-disciplinary team that provides care to children with life-limiting and life-threatening conditions and their families. The PSOHPM is pleased to offer an exciting array of resources to those interested in pediatric hospice and palliative medicine (HPM). Click here for more information on these resources, as well as membership in the section.



District II: New York SOMSRFT Leadership



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Chapter Delegates

Residency Program Delegates

Chapter 1
 [Upstate NY]
Mundeep Kaur Kainth
 Albany Medical Center

Albany Medical Center	Amanda McCoy, Amanda Dvorscak, Jennifer Cerone, Rahimullah Asad
SUNY Upstate Medical University	Matthew Mitiga, Christine Rivers
University at Buffalo	Shaon Sengupta
University of Rochester	Charity Karpac, Luke Smart, Rachel Martin, Nandini Mani

Chapter 2
 [Brooklyn, Queens, Nassau & Suffolk Counties]
Chantal Keizer
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Brookdale University Hospital and Medical Center	Dipankar Gupta, Shilpa Gurnurkar
Brooklyn Hospital Center:	Mukai Jaravaza
Flushing Hospital Medical Center:	Corina Sandru, Mahesh Chikkanaiah
Maimonides Medical Center	Wendy Wong, Sindy Amarillo
Mount Sinai School of Medicine (Elmhurst)	Jun Sasaki
New York Medical College (Richmond)	Philip Thayer Levy
New York Methodist Hospital	Sebastian Tume, Anoop Pulickal
NSLIJHS-Schneider Children's Hospital	Kristina Melchert, Naomi Goloff, Stephanie Andrus
SUNY Health Science Center at Brooklyn	Rose Karanicolas, Betsy Philip
Winthrop-University Hospital	Andrea Ali, Ulka Kothari, Winston Sheen
Woodhull Medical & Mental Health Center	Pablo Almuna, Uchenna Ogbozor, Reymundo Lozano

Chapter 3
 [Bronx, Staten Island, Manhattan, Westchester, Rockland, Putnam, Orange & Dutchess counties]
Jeannette Jakus
 Mount Sinai School of Medicine

Albert Einstein College of Medicine (Jacobi)	Ambreen Faruqi Syed
Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center	Adebayo Atolagbe
Harlem Hospital Center	Kamna Jaiswal
Lincoln Medical and Mental Health Center	Jorge Bastos, Elaine Carrasco, Rani Elias, Julie Nagpal
Mount Sinai School of Medicine	Marissa Di Giovine
New York Medical College at Westchester Medical Ctr	Inna Elikashvili, Shirley Obioha
New York Presbyterian Hospital (Columbia Campus)	Amy Ost, Sarah Szlam, Taryn Wiley-Rio, John Babineau
New York Presbyterian Hospital (Cornell Campus)	Elaine Barfield
St. Barnabas Hospital	Daniel Erichsen