

Medical Student Subcommittee Position Descriptions

The members of the SOMSRF Medical Student Subcommittee will work together to accomplish a number of objectives. The main responsibilities of these positions are described below. These positions are two-year positions with alternating year vacancies to allow new medical students to join the subcommittee each year.

Education and Opportunities Workgroup (2 Positions – Two-Year Appointment)

These subcommittee members will be responsible for producing new material and resources for medical students interested in pediatrics. This will include finding already existing information and authoring new material that can be made available to medical student members of the AAP via the web site and the medical student listserv. Possible topics for new authorship include articles on what students need to know before starting their third-year pediatrics clerkships, helpful tips and tricks for examining children, descriptions of the pediatric subspecialties, and helpful information for residency interviewing. The Education and Opportunities Workgroup will also be responsible for finding grant, research, poster presentation, loan, and conference opportunities available to medical students interested in pediatrics. These opportunities will come from both within and outside of the AAP. Working with the Networking Workgroup, the Education and Opportunities Workgroup will help maintain and further develop the AAP's YoungPeds Network, which has an area dedicated to medical students interested in pediatrics (www.aap.org/ypn/ms).

Networking Workgroup (1 Position – Two-Year Appointment)

These subcommittee members will be responsible for developing and maintaining listservs for medical student members of the AAP divided by districts. They will work closely with the other co-chairs to disperse information created by the Education and Opportunities Workgroup. They will also work to develop relationships between the AAP and Pediatric Interest Groups at each of the medical schools. As part of forming these bonds, the Networking Workgroup will develop resource materials for Pediatric Interest Groups (suggestions for how to structure a Pediatric Interest Group; ideas for talks, meetings, and panels; and ideas for community outreach and involvement). Working with the Education and Opportunities Workgroup, the Networking Workgroup will help maintain and further develop the AAP's YoungPeds Network, which has an area dedicated to medical students interested in pediatrics (www.aap.org/ypn/ms).