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Dear Program Delegate:

The Section on Medical Students, Residents, and Fellowship Trainees (SMRF) is happy to announce its 4th Annual Advocacy Campaign! We recognize that our 10,000 member voices can help make change happen. This year the section would like to use those voices to target tobacco.

The SMRF Advocacy Subcommittee has compiled background information and suggested advocacy projects to target tobacco at the individual, local, state, national, and international levels. These projects include discussing smoking cessation with patients, educating others in your community about the harms of second-hand smoke, joining national letter-writing campaigns, and more. All of this information has been incorporated into two PowerPoint presentations:

- The "[main presentation](#)" contains a patient case, background facts and reasons to help, as well as sections containing resources for projects at each advocacy level. It could be used in the noon conference or grand rounds setting.
- The "[morning report presentation](#)" can stand-alone as an introduction to the same information for the shorter morning report or pre-clinic setting.

A copy of the presentations will be distributed during our Annual Assembly at the National Conference and Exhibition. The material will also be available on the section website at www.aap.org/ypn/r/advocacy.

It is the expectation that each delegate will give a presentation at their residency program. Please feel to tailor the presentation(s) to best fit your program's needs. Once you have given your presentation please let your AAP District Coordinator know that you have completed the task. We are very interested in hearing the ways each program uses the materials to target tobacco.

Should you want more resources to target tobacco, the materials from the Richmond Center Tool-Kit: [Protecting Children from Secondhand Smoke & Tobacco: A Pediatric Curriculum Guide](#) are included on the 2008-2009 Annual Advocacy Campaign CD.

Thank you for helping all 10,000 voices be heard through the smoke!

Sincerely, The Advocacy Subcommittee

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