Call For Submissions

The Section on Pediatric Trainees (SOPT) Monthly Feature in *Pediatrics* publishes thought-provoking op-eds on a variety of topics. Submissions are accepted on a rolling basis throughout the year. At this time, we are issuing a call for submissions on the following topics, though any topic will be considered:

**“To Err is Human:”** Despite all of our efforts, each of us will make a mistake at some point in training or beyond. As trainees, how are we taught to handle such a situation when it occurs? What impact does a medical error, either directly or indirectly, have on the patient and their family? What impact does the experience have on the trainee?

**The Opioid Epidemic:** Abuse of and addiction to opioids has become an epidemic in the US. How are pediatric trainees learning to address this complex problem? What is our role in addressing opioid abuse with our patients, and how do these encounters affect us and the way we practice medicine? How can we confront the growing negative impact of opioid abuse while preserving the crucial role played by prescription opioid pain relievers in reducing human suffering?

**Technology and Medicine:** The relationship between technology and medicine is a complex one. Technology undoubtedly has enhanced our ability to care for patients through the provision of increasingly sophisticated and precise tools for diagnosis and treatment. However, many have raised concerns that an over-reliance on technology has led to the deterioration of core bedside skills and left us with less time to spend with our patients. What role should technology play in medicine? Does technology empower you in your practice (or education), or has it become more of a burden?

**Submission Guidelines:**
- First author must be a resident, fellow, or medical student
- Submit manuscripts or questions via email to: SOPTpediatrics@aap.org
- Word Limit: 1,200 words
- Reference Limit: 15 references
- There is no deadline to submit as we accept manuscripts on a rolling basis
- Articles on any topics not included above are always welcomed.

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