The mission of the SOID is to improve the care of children with infectious diseases and to promote the prevention of these diseases. Among the priorities of the Section Executive Committee are: timely communication of ID related information to members, providing live and online educational opportunities to members through the Section website and the Academy's Education Department, reviewing infectious diseases policy within the AAP, and engaging ID training fellows in leadership opportunities.

The SOID Executive Committee is committed to engaging Infectious Diseases training fellows in leadership opportunities. Two Infectious Diseases Training Fellow Liaison positions were approved to serve on the Executive Committee by the membership and the AAP leadership. One of those positions is currently held by Dr. Sophie Katz Vanderbilt University School of Medicine. The other position is held by Dr. Adeline Koay who is currently in her third year of training at John Hopkins University and she will complete her two-year liaison term as of June 30, 2018.

At this time, we invite all interested first or second year ID fellowship trainees to submit their nomination by **Friday, March 16, 2018**. Below is the position description with the eligibility criteria. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Adeline Koay at adelinekoay@jhmi.edu, Sophie Katz at sophie.e.katz@vanderbilt.edu or Suzanne Kirkwood, Manager, Section on Infectious Diseases at 800/433-9016, ext. 7648 or at skirkwood@aap.org

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**POSITION DESCRIPTION**

**Term:**
Up to two years, July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2020. Preference will be given for those able to participate for 2 years. One of two ID Training Fellow Liaison positions serves as one of the six voting SOID Executive Committee members for a one year, appointed term. When that individual completes his/her term, the second ID Training Fellow Liaison will assume that role and a new, non-voting Liaison will be appointed in the spring.

**Eligibility:**
- Current enrollment in an accredited Pediatric Infectious Diseases Fellowship (Post Residency) Training Program
- Member of the American Academy of Pediatrics (may join at the time of application)
- Member of the Section on Infectious Diseases (Note: ID training fellows who are currently AAP members do not pay additional dues to join the Section)

**Appointment Criteria for Consideration by Executive Committee:**
- Letter of Interest from the Training Fellow
- Curriculum vitae
- Recommendation letter from Training Program Director
**Status:** Member appointed by the SOID Executive Committee

**Responsibilities:**
The SOID Training Fellow Liaison was established to provide leadership opportunities for young physicians. The liaison should:

- **Attend** two Section on Infectious Diseases meetings per year held in the fall and spring.*
- **Provide input** in current Section activities discussed at meetings and review and suggest revisions of documents throughout the year via email communications and conference calls.
- **Work** with the Executive Committee to develop initiatives that would be beneficial to Training Fellows and Young Physicians and ways to communicate this information.
- **Advocate for** the AAP and SOID at any internal and external meetings and programs attended.

Recent Accomplishments/Projects in Process:
- Serving on the editorial board of the Section newsletter and writing a bi-annual column
- Writing AAP News articles for the Focus on Subspecialties column
- Attending the CDC/AAP Preparedness meeting as an SOID representative and writing an article in the newsletter
- Participating in the technical review of draft policy statements/clinical and technical reports
- Working with the Chair to revise a Chapter in the Textbook on Pediatric Care
- Serving as a reviewer for three influenza related Pedialink "Hot Topics"
- Attending advocacy training sponsored by the AAP Department of Federal Affairs
- Working to increase SOID fellow-in-training membership
- Completing a training fellow survey which assisted in identifying ways to enhance Section membership and a survey in 2017 to evaluated the Training Fellow Liaison role.
- Providing views and suggestions via email on routine Section related activities as well as attending all Section Executive Committee meetings
- Serving on the work group to develop a pediatric ID workforce survey and publish an article
- Attending a Committee on Infectious Diseases meeting
- Participating in the development of Pedialink and Patient Care On-line courses
- Writing articles for parents on infectious diseases related topics for the AAP HealthyChildren.org website.

*SOID meetings are typically held in conjunction with the AAP National Conference and Exhibition (NCE) in the fall and the Academy headquarters in the spring. Expenses for meeting attendance will be covered by the Section and includes airfare (secured through the Academy Travel office), one day's expenses related to hotel, meals, and ground transportation. Registration for the NCE is also covered.*