

Dear Program Director,

We are pleased to announce the 9th Pediatric GI **Teaching and Tomorrow** Program of the North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition (NASPGHAN). Our goal is to attract the best and brightest residents to subspecialty training in pediatric gastroenterology, hepatology and nutrition. In order to accomplish this goal, we have created the **Teaching and Tomorrow** Program. Travel grants will be awarded based on merit to bring pediatric residents from North America to our annual NASPGHAN Meeting to see first hand the cutting edge basic and clinical science of our subspecialty. This year, the conference will take place November 12-14, 2009 in Washington DC. We will bring these residents to Washington DC to experience our 3-day meeting. During this period we will also meet with these residents, to share our enthusiasm for pediatric gastroenterology and to provide career guidance. Please consider nominating one (**and only one**) of your best and brightest residents for this grant.

Teaching and Tomorrow Program Travel Grants

What: Attend NASPGHAN Annual Meeting and Postgraduate Course
Where: Washington DC
Arrive: November 11 (evening)
Depart: November 15

Eligibility: Pediatric Residents with an interest in pediatric gastroenterology, hepatology and nutrition. It is expected that those selected will be the equivalent of PL-2 residents at the time of the meeting or considering applying for fellowship to begin in July 2011. If it is not evident from the application that the resident meets these criteria, please clarify in the nomination letter. If it is not clear that the resident qualifies, he/she may not be considered for the program. **We are able to select a maximum of only one applicant per pediatric residency training program for a travel grant. Only one application form should be submitted per program.**

However, programs have the option to send, at their own expense, highly qualified candidates with approval of the organizing committee (This is to be sure that we have adequate space and planning for the candidates). Requests should be sent to Margaret Stallings (mstallings@naspghan.org) by email.

Support: Residents will be provided support for airfare, hotel accommodations and per diem allowance for food and incidental expenses.

Application:

- 1) Applicant's CV
- 2) Application form including a one page personal statement explaining applicants' motivation to participate in the **Teaching and Tomorrow Program**;
- 3) Nomination letter from **one** (only one) of the following: Pediatric Chair, Pediatric Program Director, Pediatric GI Division Director or Pediatric GI Training Program Director
- 4) Applications should be submitted electronically to <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/cdhnf>
Grant site will be open July 20, 2009.

Deadline: August 28, 2009
Notification: September 21, 2009

Thank you for helping us to publicize this opportunity.

Sincerely,

B Li, MD,
President Elect

Michael Narkewicz, MD
Training Committee

Alan Leichtner, MD
Chair, Training Committee

**NASPGHAN Teaching and Tomorrow 2009
Application Form**

Name: _____

Residency Program: _____

Email Address: _____

1. When did you begin pediatric residency? _____
(Day/Date/Year)

2. If you enter a pediatric GI fellowship, what year will you begin training? _____

3. The eligibility requirements for the Teaching and Tomorrow program are that those selected will be the equivalent of PL-2 residents at the time of the meeting. Are there extenuating circumstances with regard to the timing of your training that might impact our decision, e.g. pregnancy, chief residency, etc).

4. What influenced your interest in pediatric gastroenterology?

5. What motivated you to apply for the Teaching and Tomorrow program?