

Dear APSA Member,

[APSA Undergraduate Mentorship Program](#)

One of the goals of APSA is to provide opportunities for physician scientists in training to gain valuable insights into skills needed for their future careers, including trainee mentorship. The goal of this program is to connect APSA professional (MD, DO, MD/PhD, and DO/PhD) students with undergraduates who are interested in careers as physician-scientists in one-on-one mentor-mentee relationships. After applying, an undergraduate student will be paired with an APSA professional student who is in a course of study in which the undergraduate has an interest. These relationships will be mutually beneficial; our professional students will gain valuable experience in mentoring, and undergraduate students will have willing and enthusiastic mentors who can guide them and answer questions about all aspects of physician-scientist training. Mentors and mentees can choose to either meet in person or contact each other via phone, Skype, or e-mail. More information regarding this program is available at [here](#). Mentee and mentor applications will be released online, coinciding with our August monthly e-mails.

[APSA's first paper has been published in BMC Medical Education!](#)

"Exploring intentions of physician-scientist trainees: factors influencing MD and MD/PhD interest in research careers." Congratulations to the authors! You can read the paper [here](#).

[RSNA Introduction to Academic Radiology \(ITAR\) program](#)

The deadline for the RSNA ITAR program has been extended!

As part of a collaboration between RSNA and APSA, two medical students will be selected to travel to the RSNA annual meeting in Chicago from Nov 26th-30th, 2017. A \$1000 stipend will be awarded by RSNA to the selected students to offset travel and lodging costs. Applications are due **on July 25th**. Apply [here](#).

[2017 ASPA Northeast Regional Meeting](#)

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 7, 2017!

The University of Rochester School of Medicine MD/PhD Program will host the 2017 APSA NE Regional meeting in conjunction with the annual Upstate NY MD/PhD Program conference. Registration is open to all current and prospective MD/PhD students with a special invitation to attendees from the University at Buffalo, SUNY Upstate Medical University, and the University of Rochester, continuing the tradition of the annual tri-institutional research day. Keynote speakers include **Robin Lorenz, MD, PhD**, Professor of Pathology, Associate Dean for Physician Scientist Development, University of Alabama at Birmingham; and **Michael Potchen, MD**, Professor of Imaging Sciences, University of Rochester School of Medicine. Registration will open shortly.

[Taking on Anti-Vaccination in the Doctor's Office](#)

Public health practices for physicians to promote vaccine use:

DocThoughts interviewed 2017 APSA Annual Meeting speaker and former CDC director Julie Gerberding on approaching patients who may be concerned about the efficacy of vaccines. Watch the full interview [here](#).

[ASN Kidney STARS Applications](#)

Apply now for the 2017 Kidney Students and Residents program!

The American Society of Nephrology (ASN) is now accepting applications for the 2017 Kidney Students and Residents (STARS) program! Through Kidney STARS, ASN provides travel support, complimentary registration, and tailored activities for medical students, graduate students, and residents who wish to attend the ASN Annual Meeting at Kidney Week. To enhance the experience, ASN will group Kidney STARS by special interest and pair them with a mentor who will serve as a resource during the Annual Meeting. This year, ASN Kidney Week will take place in New Orleans, LA, from Thursday, November 2, to Sunday, November 5, 2017. Apply [here by Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. EDT.](#)

[2017 West Regional Meeting](#)

The 2017 West Regional Meeting will take place at UC Irvine on December 2, 2017. Submit an abstract for [poster or oral presentations](#). Registration is free and will open soon!

[2017 Southeastern Medical Scientist Symposium \(SEMSS\)](#)

Abstract submissions and registration are now open!

SEMSS will be hosted by Emory University on November 18-19, 2017 in Atlanta, GA. Early Bird prices apply until **September 1st**. All MD, DO, MD/PhD, DO/PhD, and undergraduate students are invited to attend, along with physician-scientist residents, fellows, and faculty. The conference includes keynote speakers from the NIH and Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, as well as increased networking and oral presentation opportunities. Apply and register [here](#).

Sincerely,

The American Physician Scientists Association (APSA)

[The American Physician Scientists Association \(APSA\)](#) is dedicated to addressing the needs of future physician scientists with a focus on training and career development. APSA focuses its priorities in the four pillars of mentoring, networking, outreach, and resources.

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