

April 6th, 2015 - Annual Meeting opportunities, leadership application, and more

The 11th Annual Meeting is less than three weeks away! Many deadlines for the meeting are approaching, so take advantage of them while you can. Read on to learn more.

RSVP for the 2015 Grant Writing Workshop

APSA is excited to announce the return of the Grant Writing Workshop at the 2015 Annual Meeting! Topics covered will include hot topics and **important skills funding agencies are looking for**, tips on **how to avoid common pitfalls and mistakes**, and case studies of both good and poor grant practices. Thanks to the sponsorship of the [American Heart Association \(http://www.heart.org/\)](http://www.heart.org/) (AHA), the session will be led by Robert Bonow, MD, Goldberg Distinguished Professor of Cardiology and Director of the Center for Cardiovascular Innovation at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine. Dr. Bonow has extensive experience in mentoring grant applicants and has served as an advisor or board member to funding agencies including the AHA and the NIH. We encourage all trainees considering applying for grants to attend, particularly those considering applying for postdoctoral awards such as NIH K awards or AHA fellowships. The session will be held on **Thursday, April 23rd from 5 to 6:30 PM**, Central Time, at the Fairmont Hotel in Chicago.

If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to info@physicianscientists.org (<mailto:info@physicianscientists.org>) with your name, training stage, email address, and current institutional affiliation.

Join the APSA leadership team - apply today

Applications (<http://www.physicianscientists.org/?page=LeadershipPosition>) are now open for the next generation of APSA leaders! You can help shape APSA policy initiatives, plan the next Annual Meeting, develop new partnerships with specialty societies, and much more. Do not miss the opportunity to develop your own leadership skills and interact with senior physician-scientists in APSA partner organizations. Position descriptions are available on the APSA Leadership page (<http://www.physicianscientists.org/?page=Leadership>).

Elected Committee Chair and Liaison position applications are due prior to the Annual Meeting. If you have any questions about a leadership position within APSA or about the application process, please contact apsa@physicianscientists.org (<mailto:apsa@physicianscientists.org>) Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

Enter the 2015 Lasker Foundation Essay Contest

Which fundamental biological mystery, if solved, would most dramatically improve human health? The Lasker Foundation wants to know! Share your thoughts in the [2015 Lasker Foundation essay contest](http://www.laskerfoundation.org/programs/contest.htm) (<http://www.laskerfoundation.org/programs/contest.htm>). The top submission will receive \$10,000 and a trip to the Lasker Award ceremony in New York City, with other prizes available for notable submissions. Act now; entries are due May 4th.

Submit your questions for the Technological Innovation in Biomedical and Translational Research Panel

Do you have exciting research findings that could directly impact the lives of people in the immediate future? Would you like to learn how to translate these ideas into commercial products and get these discoveries out to those who can benefit? Attend the Technological Innovation in Biomedical and Translational Research Panel at the 2015 Annual Meeting to learn how. Panelists with expertise in technology transfer and entrepreneurship will be on hand to answer

your questions and share tips and strategies. Want to be sure your questions are answered or your comment addressed? Send your comments/questions to info@physicianscientists.org (<mailto:info@physicianscientists.org>) or post them on APSA's [Facebook](http://www.facebook.com/physicianscientists) (<http://www.facebook.com/physicianscientists>).

Registration for the 11th Annual Meeting closes on April 22nd!

The [11th Annual Meeting](http://www.physicianscientists.org/?page=11thAnnualMeeting) (<http://www.physicianscientists.org/?page=11thAnnualMeeting>) is just a few weeks away! Registration is [ongoing](http://www.physicianscientists.org/events/event_details.asp?id=521995) (http://www.physicianscientists.org/events/event_details.asp?id=521995) but closes on the 22nd of April at midnight. Do not miss the opportunity to take part in the premier meeting of physician-scientists and trainees. Panelists and speakers this year range from the Director of the NIH to the discoverer of one of the most powerful health interventions for preventing child mortality, vitamin A supplementation. Join over 300 of your fellow physician-scientist trainees in Chicago!

Many more events and exclusive benefits are coming soon. Stay connected with APSA's [Twitter](http://twitter.com/a_p_s_a) (http://twitter.com/a_p_s_a), [Facebook](http://www.facebook.com/physicianscientists) (<http://www.facebook.com/physicianscientists>), and [website](http://www.physicianscientists.org/) (<http://www.physicianscientists.org/>) for up-to-date news!