Dear Colleagues,

We look forward to seeing everyone in Toronto for our annual meeting to begin next week! The scientific program is outstanding and I would again like to thank Lisa Satlin and her committee for an exciting scientific program. There will also be several committee meetings and I would like to remind you that everyone is invited to attend the committee meetings of interest to them. The business meeting will take place on May 6, 2007 in the Ontario Room and we will hear committee reports, task force updates, Washington update and invited comments from Dr. Marva Moxey-Mims. At the business meeting, the new bylaws will be adopted. Dr. Richard Fine will receive the Founders Award on May 4, 2007. On a sad note, we lost a wonderful colleague and former Founder’s Award recipient when John Lewy passed away on April 19, 2007. Please see the tribute to him elsewhere in this newsletter.

Recently, the ASPN requested a meeting with CMS administrators to discuss the development and applicability of current and future pediatric end stage renal disease quality measures. The ASPN had learned that pediatric-specific measures were developed by a technical expert panel that did not include a pediatric nephrologist. In addition, we wished to discuss newly developed pediatric Medicare Part D medication measures. The meeting in March included CMS administrators and several ASPN members, and we were very pleased to learn that CMS reevaluated their position and the revised CMS ESRD Clinical Performance Measures and the Medicare Part D medication measures will not apply to pediatric ESRD patients. The ASPN requested that future panels to develop pediatric specific measures include pediatric nephrology input.

Following the FDA’s advisory on the dangers of overusing erythropoiesis stimulating agents, the ASPN released a statement on March 13, 2007 that the new black box warning was based on data obtained in a very different population of patients and the applicability to pediatric patients with kidney disease was uncertain. The ASPN encouraged pediatric nephrologists to continue making treatment decisions based on clinical judgment and urged patients and their families to consult their doctors with questions about the advisory.

Finally, you recently received two surveys developed by the membership and mentoring task forces. Please don’t forget to answer these surveys so that we can better serve you. Once again, I would also like to thank the council, committee chairs and members, task force chairs and members for your continued service to the ASPN. Your efforts are appreciated!

Sharon P. Andreoli, M.D.
sandreol@iupui.edu
In Memorium: John Lewy, 1935 - 2007

John Lewy grew up in Chicago but was a citizen of the pediatric world. After completing his internship and residency in Pediatrics at Northwestern University and training in Pediatric Nephrology with Eric Windhager at New York Hospital/Cornell School of Medicine, he was head of the Division at Cornell before returning to his medical school alma mater, Tulane University, in 1978, where he served as Chairman of Pediatrics for 26 years. During his tenure, the Department grew from eight to more than sixty full-time faculty members and trained hundreds of young pediatricians. After concluding that the health of children was best served by influencing public policy, in 1990-91 he undertook a sabbatical with Senator John Breaux, to enhance his ability to do just that. In 2004, he stepped aside from his chairmanship to devote his full time to the broader interests of child health.

John held many different posts in his tireless advocacy for children. He was a mentor and a friend to many of us. Ever cheerful and positive in his support of pediatric nephrology, he served as President of the ASPN in 1981 and was recognized for his broad contributions to our profession with the ASPN Founders Award in 2000. Our thoughts and prayers are with Roz and the rest of their family.

Vicky Norwood
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pFeNa Events-- For all pediatric fellows attending the ASPN Annual Meeting in Toronto, there are two planned activities especially geared towards fellows. Come show off the knowledge you have gained during fellowship at a special Clinical Pathology Conference scheduled for noon, Saturday, May 5th. Then come for the organizational meeting for pFeNA for the upcoming year that Monday evening, May 7th, at 7pm with plans for socializing at a local establishment thereafter. All residents and fellows are encouraged to attend. Both will be at the Fairmont Royal York.

Also, in anticipation of expansion of the role of fellows within the ASPN, please look for upcoming announcements about a survey of fellows regarding pFeNA and the ASPN, ASPN committee openings for fellows, and other leadership positions within pFeNA. Please contact Rene’ VanDeVoorde at rene.vandevoorde@cchmc.org for any questions or interests.

The ASPN wishes to acknowledge the generosity of the following corporate and session sponsors for the 2007 annual meeting. Their unrestricted educational grants have significantly benefited the Society and its efforts.

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2007 Founder’s Award (ASPN)
Dr. Richard N. Fine has been selected to receive the 2007 Founder’s Award. This award is given each year to an ASPN member in recognition of unique and lasting contributions to the field of pediatric nephrology. Dr. Fine has contributed significantly to the ASPN by promoting its activities to assure a continuing role for its members in science as well as in specialized health care for children with kidney disease. He will be recognized for his contributions during the ASPN Award Luncheon on Monday, May 7th at the Fairmont Royal York.

2007 Trainee Research Award (ASPN)
Three awards are given annually at the ASPN meeting: one for the best clinical abstract, one for the best basic science abstract and one for the best translational abstract. This year’s recipients are pictured below in order: Rasheed Gbadegesin, MD, Fellow, University of Michigan, in Ann Arbor, Michigan; Tammy Brady, MD, MHS, Fellow, Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland; and Amit Dagan, MD, Fellow, UT Southwestern in Dallas, Texas. They will be recognized at the ASPN membership reception on Saturday evening, May 5th at the Fairmont Royal York.

2007 Medal of Excellence Award (AAKP)
Pediatric nephrologists and ASPN member, Robert S. Fennell, III, has been selected to receive the 2007 Medal of Excellence Award given annually by the American Association of Kidney Patients. The Medal of Excellence Award honors a renal physician who has achieved outstanding success in caring or kidney disease patients, while also possessing extraordinary skills and devotion to the field of nephrology. Bob is Professor and Chief of the Pediatric Nephrology division of the University of Florida College of Medicine. Congratulations Bob!!
2007 Resident Travel Award
Each year the ASPN sponsors residents and selected other non-fellow trainees to attend the annual meeting. Stipends to partially support travel as well as a complimentary registration are given on a competitive basis. The following trainees are this years recipients:

Ashton Chen, DO North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System, New Hyde Park, NY
Robin Erickson, MD University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta, Canada
Martin Lee, MD University of California, Davis, Sacramento, CA
Melanie Rae Lind-Ayres, MD Emory University School of Medicine
Raj P. Munshi, MD St. Christopher’s Hospital for Children, Philadelphia, PA
Ketan N. Patel, MD University of Texas at Houston, Houston, TX
Aarat M. Patel, MD Stony Brook University Medical Center, Stony Brook, NY
Kari R. Posner, MD Albert Einstein College of Medicine/Children’s Hospital at Montefiore, Bronx, NY
Suma Potiny, MD Children’s National Medical Center, Washington, D.C.
Sermin Saadeh, MD Children’s Hospital of Michigan, Detroit, MI
Pamela R. Schaffer, MD Albert Einstein College of Medicine/Children’s Hospital at Montefiore, Bronx, NY
John David Spencer, MD University of Tenn Health Ctr & LeBonheur Children’s Medical Ctr, Memphis, TN
Christine Weishin Hsu, MD Albany Medical Center, Albany NY

ASPN Councilor Elaine Kamil to be Honored
On April 29, 2007, The National Kidney Foundation of Southern California will be honoring Council member Elaine Kamil with the “Spirit of Nephrology Award” and music producer David Foster with the “NKFSC Humanitarian Award” at its 28th annual Gift of Life dinner.

Elaine is being recognized for her many years of service as the Clinical Director of Pediatric Nephrology at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, and for her many activities with NKFSC, which have included NKFSC roles as President of the Medical Advisory Board Executive Committee, a member of the NKFSC Board, and a member of the Board Executive Committee. She has organized two NKFSC pediatric patient education conferences and serves each year as volunteer physician for the NKFSC “kidney camp.”

This year’s dinner will be held at Warner Bros Studios. Over 700 guests are expected at the event that will be especially celebrating children and the special challenges they and their families face when confronted with kidney disease. Entertainment will include Kenny G, Hilary Duff, Kenny “Babyface” Edmonds, and Renee Olstead, with George Lopez serving as Emcee. Congratulations to Elaine for her many accomplishments, and for receiving this significant tribute from the NKFSC!
**WASHINGTON UPDATE**

**Congress works to develop a budget blueprint; health programs in the spotlight**

House and Senate lawmakers are focusing on hammering out a budget blueprint that erases the federal deficit and boosts domestic spending—without raising a single penny in new taxes. No small task given the stark choices to be made.

Just hours before leaving for a two-week Easter/Passover recess, the House passed by a vote of 216 to 210 a fiscal year 2008 budget resolution (H. Con. Res. 99) that promises a budget surplus by 2012. The vote sets the stage for negotiations with the Senate, which passed its version of the budget plan the week before.

Theoretically, Congress must adopt a final budget resolution before lawmakers can begin voting on any of the 12 federal appropriations bills. But if a resolution is not agreed to by May 15, each chamber is free to set its own spending limits and proceed to consider appropriations bills.

House majority leader Steny Hoyer (D-MD) has indicated that work on appropriations bills will probably begin in late May and last throughout June. Senate action could begin as early as July. Whenever work begins it seems likely that lawmakers will attempt to restore some of the budget cuts absorbed by social programs in recent years.

Both the House and Senate versions of the budget resolution assume a five-year, $50 - $60 billion expansion of the children’s health insurance program (SCHIP), with a goal of reaching the six million children who are eligible but not enrolled. The House budget plan also awards domestic agencies average budget increases of six percent over current levels.

The Senate plan goes a step farther. During floor debate on the budget resolution, the Senate voted to adopt an amendment offered by Senators Arlen Specter (R-PA) and Tom Harkin (D-IA), adding $2.2 billion for health programs. That amendment, together with funds already provided in the resolution, would restore the National Institutes of Health to the fiscal year 2005 inflation-adjusted level. This is certainly not the first year that Senators Specter and Harkin have offered amendments to the budget resolution. In years past, however, the House-Senate conference has either failed to come up with a compromise or the amendment has been dropped.

In an effort to put pressure on the House-Senate conference, ASPN will send out and advocacy alert in the coming weeks asking members to contact Congress and urge their support for the inclusion of the Specter/Harkin amendment in the final budget resolution.

**ASPN finalizes 2007 legislative agenda; your advocacy efforts needed**

Over the past decade ASPN has worked to become more proactive in the legislative arena. Every year, with direction from the Public Policy Committee, the Society works to develop a strong legislative agenda that focuses on issues of great importance to the treatment of children with pediatric kidney disease. In an effort to build upon the Society’s past legislative achievements, the ASPN has identified the following legislative issues for 2007: 1) make the National Institutes of Health a funding priority, 2) reform the Medicare physician payment formula to adequately reimburse physicians, 3) reauthorize the State Children’s health Insurance Program (SCHIP) to ensure all chronically ill children have access to critical health care coverage, and 4) improve transplantation outcomes through passage of legislation to extend coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for Medicare transplant beneficiaries.

To assist members in their advocacy efforts, the Society has developed and posted fact sheets outlining our key legislative issues. These materials can be accessed by visiting www.aspneph.com, and clicking on Public Policy.

ASPN cannot promote these legislative goals without your help. Legislators listen most closely to their constituents. You are in a unique position to put a face on a problem; to tell your elected officials how the policies they pass judgment on are affecting you, your practice and your patients. ASPN urges you to take the time to get involved.

**Advocacy session planned for ASPN Annual Meeting**

To help members feel more comfortable with their advocacy efforts, the ASPN Public Policy Committee will hold a session at this year’s Annual Meeting entitled, “Being Heard Above the Din: Advocating in a Changed Political Landscape.” The session will highlight effective methods for communicating with lawmakers, and review the political realities of the 110th
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Congress. The session will be held on Sunday, May 6 from 6:30-7:30pm at the Fairmont Royal Hotel in the New Brunswick room. We hope to see you there!

**ASPN meets with CMS officials regarding quality improvement**

In March, a delegation of ASPN members met with several quality improvement staff at the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The delegation, which included Drs. Sharon Andreoli, Eileen Brewer, Barbara Fivush, Joseph Flynn, Sandy Watkins, and ASPN’s Washington Representative Jennifer Shevchek, discussed the Society’s concerns surrounding the development and applicability of current and future pediatric end-stage renal disease (ESRD) quality measures.

The ASPN was pleased to learn that both the revised CMS ESRD Clinical Performance Measures (CPMs) and Medicare Part D medication measures will not include pediatric ESRD patients. This is critical, as the ASPN firmly believes that the experts responsible for treating this chronically ill population must also be involved, from the beginning, in determining appropriate evidence-based measures for improving the care of such a population. ASPN will work closely with CMS to promote the development of a Technical Expert Panel (TEP) solely focused on pediatric ESRD care, as well as ensure a pediatric nephrologist is included in all future ESRD related TEPs.

In moving forward, the ASPN is also working with the Kidney Care Quality Alliance, a group of kidney community stakeholders focused on quality improvement, to develop an evidence-based starter set of process measures applicable to the pediatric ESRD population. The development of such measures will prove useful to both CMS and the kidney community in improving quality throughout the kidney care continuum. Such measures will specifically be developed with ASPN involvement, and made available for public comment later this year.

**MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Fourth International Conference on Children’s Bone Health**

**June 21-24, 2007 — Montreal, Canada**

Greetings to our bone-conscious friends!

It is an honor to invite you to attend the Fourth International Conference on Children’s Bone Health, to be held June 21-24, 2007. Our host city of Montréal is truly an experience: Old World charm, a unique joie de vivre and yet a modern style all its own.

For more detailed information & meeting specifics, including our outstanding scientific program, visit our official conference web site at http://www.iccbh4.org/. We look forward to seeing you in Montreal in June 2007!

Craig B. Langman, MD, Conference Director

Jointly sponsored by Northwestern University’s Feinberg School of Medicine and International Conference on Children’s Bone Health

**14th Congress of the International Pediatric Nephrology Association**

**31 August - 4 September 2007**

**Budapest, Hungary**

For more detailed information, please visit http://www.ipna2007.com/index.html
Dear colleagues,

As the 2007 ASPN Annual Meeting draws near, the 2008 ASPN Program Committee is beginning to plan the 2008 ASPN Annual Meeting Program. The members of the Program Committee include: Lisa Satlin and Carl Bates (Co-Chairs), Bill Smoyer, Samir El-Dahr, Mary Leonard, Stuart Goldstein, Mike Somers, and Sangeeta Hingorani. To maximize the participation of the ASPN membership in planning the programming for the 2008 Annual Meeting and ensure that the symposia and workshops focus on topics of interest to our members, we would greatly appreciate if you could forward to us (lisa.satlin@mssm.edu and batesc@ccri.net) by May 15th, 2007 your suggestions for themes, speakers, and talks for nephrology-specific or interdisciplinary symposia. It would be ideal if your suggestions could be crafted into the following format (with up to 6 potential speakers/ titles per session):

**Preliminary Symposium Title: Acute Renal Failure (PRESENTED AT THE 2005 ASPN ANNUAL MEETING)**

**Proposed Co-Chairs:** Lisa Satlin, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY; and Michael Somers, Children’s Hospital, Boston, MA

**Target Audience:** Clinicians and researchers interested in gaining an update on suspected pathophysiologic mechanisms of acute renal failure and the role these alterations may play in the potential development of long-term renal dysfunction. Special appeal will be additional discussions on current clinical approaches and potential future therapies.

**Description:** Advances in the care of critically ill children have contributed to an increased likelihood of clinicians facing children with acute renal failure (ARF), lending further impetus to attempts to delineate the alterations in normal renal cellular and vascular homeostasis that underlie such dysfunction to allow better strategies to prevent and treat this problem’s immediate and potential long-term consequences. In this session, there will be initial focus on the microvascular alterations that occur during and following renal ischemia including the interaction between the white blood cell and the endothelial cell. Next, we will transition to the role of changes in vascular microstructure as a contributing factor in developing chronic renal failure after an acute insult. An update on the epidemiology of pediatric ARF and what is currently understood regarding the timing and outcome of specific clinical interventions will be discussed, with a special emphasis on the continuous modalities of renal replacement therapy and their impact on both the approach to pediatric ARF and outcome. The symposium will conclude with a look at the potential role of stem cell therapy in future therapeutic modalities.

**New Insights into the Molecular and Cellular Pathophysiology of Acute Renal Failure**

- Bruce Molitoris
  - University of Indiana, Indianapolis, IN

**Chronic Sequelae of ARF**

- David Basile
  - Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI

**New Clinical Interventions in ARF**

- Michael Somers
  - Children’s Hospital, Boston, MA

**Novel Therapies for ARF: Stem Cells**

- Fangming Lin
  - University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX

We greatly value your input and look forward to working with you to assemble an exciting program for 2008!

*The 2008 ASPN Program Committee*
Committee Updates Continued

Training and Certification Committee

Work continues surrounding two primary issues: 1) declining numbers of fellows entering nephrology training and 2) development of an active fellowship program directors group. After several years of heartening increases in trainee recruitment, the last two years have seen decreases in incoming fellows from a maximum of 46 in 2004 to 39 in 2005 and 33 in 2006. ASPN is continuing its efforts to encourage pediatric trainees to explore and enter our field by sponsoring travel awards to national meetings, but the T&C committee is now actively concerned with this trend. A task force is being formed and will investigate what our current fellows see as pros and cons of the profession (a survey is in process via pFENa), what activities/support comes from general residency program directors, and what other internal and external influences are affecting our potential trainees. Those with interest and ideas should contact me for potential inclusion in the taskforce. The Program Directors group is actively involved with revisions to the infamous ACGME Program Information Forms (PIFs) and has been assisting the subboard in deriving program-specific transplant information for use in revisions to the ACGME subspecialty requirements. Work is beginning on deriving tool kits for program directors to simplify the administrative issues of fellowship training. This is a time of significant activity and change in the arenas of training and certification and we invite your input.

Vicky Norwood

Clinical Affairs Committee

The clinical affairs committee has been working on several projects over the past few months. One of these has been to develop pediatric-specific MCP documentation tools, one for hemodialysis patients and one for peritoneal dialysis patients. These are based on the Renal Physician Association’s MCP documentation tools, but will include pediatric-specific information such as growth and development. We anticipate finalizing these at our face-to-face meeting in Toronto, and will then post them on the members-only section of the ASPN web site.

We also have been involved with several patient education initiatives. CA committee member Dr. Asha Mougdil from Children’s National Medical Center in Washington attended a recent meeting of the NIDDK Clearinghouse. She updated that group with ASPN’s recent patient education initiatives, and brought back some suggestions for enhancing the patient education content of ASPN’s website. We’ll be passing those along to the Central Office for incorporation into that page. The Clearinghouse has also asked us to review two upcoming brochures that are in development, including one on UTI’s and one on IgA Nephropathy.

We have received a response from Gambro regarding the pediatric dialyzer issue (see the Jan-Feb issue of Kidney notes). Gambro is interested in discussing this issue further with the ASPN, and we anticipate that a meeting will be set up shortly between ASPN leadership and a representative of Gambro.

Finally, please join us for our two face-to-face meetings at the PAS in Toronto (see listings on page 3 in this issue for time and place). There are always important issues to discuss, and opportunities to get further involved in this aspect of ASPN’s activities.

Joseph Flynn
ASPN New Members

Please join us in welcoming the following new ASPN members:

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- Nour Baltagi, MD
- Audra Campbell, MD
- Wacharee Seeherunvong, MD
- Arlene Gerson, PhD
- Lisa A. Robinson, MD
- Kentucky Children’s Hospital, University of Kentucky, Louisville, KY
- Richmond University Medical Center, Staten Island, NY
- University of Louisville, Louisville, KY
- University of Miami, Miami, FL
- Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD
- The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

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