



MISSION

The Council of Pediatric Subspecialties integrates approaches to subspecialty education, research and patient care by providing a forum for members and other organizations and by serving as the common voice for the pediatric subspecialties.

VISION

All pediatric subspecialties working together to ensure excellence in pediatric subspecialty medicine.

VALUES

As an organization of professionals, we promote the following values:

- Compassion
- Diversity
- Communication
- Career development and satisfaction
- Education, training and research of the highest quality

CoPS Meeting – May 2010

Highlights

Executive Committee Update:

- Continue to be proactive regarding the Duty Hours.
- AMSPDC and APPD agreed to release CoPS from the original MOU so CoPS is now in the process of applying for 501c3 status as a not for profit organization. CoPS is now a separate organization.
- Bylaws were revised and are posted on the website
- Approved to begin collecting dues soon but the details need to be further fleshed out due to its complexity nature.

Committee Updates:

The **Advocacy Committee**, chaired by **Christopher Harris**, will determine ways in which CoPS can be proactive in promoting child health and subspecialty activities and in increasing the subspecialty workforce. Its current activities include advocating for improved reimbursement for subspecialist activities, incentives to increase the subspecialist workforce and develop processes to become more involved in public policy affairs.

Lead by **Chris Kennedy**, the **Training/Professional Development Committee** is developing educational materials and addressing issues that involve training and faculty development. The group has been working on a fellowship program director's guide, but will continue to promote a common application process and plan to formulate curricula for teaching, career development and leadership.

Richard Mink directs the **Communications Committee**. This group will continue to address the core needs of CoPS so that it can communicate effectively, including with its constituent subspecialties and with subspecialists. Activities include continual enhancements to the CoPS website, development of subspecialty descriptions, creation of newsletters and development of a more effective communication network.