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International Collaborative Office Rounds (iCOR2)
In April, I shared with you my excitement about the submission of the iCOR2 grant, which has the potential to improve collaborative care, enhance the recognition of DBP, attract talent to the field and build connections. Great news - the grant has been funded by Maternal and Child Health (MCH)!

Primary care providers often lack training in diagnosis and management of children with mental health problems and feel unprepared to meet today’s practice demands. For children who live in poverty or low resource areas, and families facing social, political or economic distress, the consequences of undiagnosed and untreated mental health and developmental problems are amplified. ICOR2 is uniquely designed to meet these challenges. The original iCOR, led by Carol Weitzman and Heidi Feldman, was launched in the previous funding cycle of MCH COR grants, utilizing videoconferencing for monthly meetings of national and international partners in primary care, Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics (DBP), and Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (CAP). ICOR2 represents a significant expansion and enhancement, with SDBP playing a central role. We propose to recruit sites that are geographically and culturally diverse, including some non-US sites. Each site will include at least 5 individuals from primary care, DBP and/or CAP, and possibly other MCH professionals and trainees, who work together in their communities. Three sites (a “node”) will be strategically linked through zoom, according to their particular goals, interests, location and populations served. Node meetings will be held monthly for 1 ½ hours during the academic year resulting in 10 sessions/year. The format will be case-based, with any didactic materials provided afterwards to supplement the discussion. At the first node meeting, a DBP and CAP moderator will be identified. ICOR2 will include up to 6 nodes, and each node will meet monthly for 2 years. By year 5 of the grant, iCOR2 will have served a total of 18 sites and at least 90 professionals.

To enhance US physicians’ cultural competence related to developmental, behavioral and emotional problems, and their understanding of the effects of trauma and social, political and economic distress, iCOR2 will include some linkage of domestic with international sites. An Executive Committee (EC) of national leaders in General Pediatrics, DBP and CAP will oversee the selection of sites and provide support to the nodes. To expand the scope and reach of the project, SDBP will serve as the administrative hub of the project for logistical and structural support. Participation of SDBP will provide critical infrastructure to support, evaluate and provide continuous quality improvement to the project. To encourage ongoing contact between sessions, a SharePoint site will be established on the SDBP website for iCOR2 participants across all nodes to allow for additional discussion, posting of articles and educational materials and case follow-up. Participation of SDBP will help to ensure long-term sustainability of the iCOR2 model. ICOR2 will also partner with SDBP’s International SIG, and with the International Developmental Pediatrics Association. ICOR2 will be presented at the Mumbai meeting, where we hope to recruit international sites.

Please discuss this opportunity with primary care colleagues, and consider participating as a site. Further information about the application process will be forthcoming in the near future.

Medicaid and Children with Special Health Care Needs
Thanks to all of you who took time from your busy schedules to contact your Senators regarding the Senate health care bill, and its potentially disastrous long-term effects on our patients and families. At the time of writing, the outcome of health care reform hangs in the balance.
E-Library
The E-library is intended to be a clearing house containing a broad array of materials and resources for members, that would be reviewed and vetted, and that would provide us all with easy and efficient access. When the project launched, I uploaded a large number of non-vetted materials that I have compiled over the years and that I use in my clinic, hoping that others would do the same. I visited our website e-library this morning and was somewhat disappointed to find that there are many topics with no submitted resources. Sharing patient handouts, Powerpoint presentations, and interesting references or articles will help your colleagues to provide better care and save time. I know that most of you have valuable printed materials that you would like to share. Let’s try to build and improve this valuable resource over the next 3 months, so that we can showcase it at the annual meeting!

SDBP Annual Meeting, Cleveland, October 13-16, 2017
It’s time to start planning for our Fall Meeting! Please see the SDBP meeting website page for scheduling and workshop descriptions. Registration will open within the next 2 weeks and hotel information is also posted: http://www.sdbp.org/meetings/

And did you know…?
June was Gun Violence Awareness month. Firearm-related deaths are the third leading cause of death among children ages 1-17 years. In the July issue of Pediatrics, see the excellent analysis by Fowler et al of CDC, and the accompanying editorial. Childhood Firearm Injuries in the United States Confronting the Firearm Injury Plague

The AAP Council on Children with Disabilities recently published a new Clinical Report on Shared Decision-Making, a topic of great importance in our field. One of the authors, Richard Adams, will be presenting a workshop on SDM at the Annual Meeting, and a second SDM teaching workshop will be presented by Lynne Huffman. Shared Decision-Making and Children With Disabilities: Pathways to Consensus

July is Fragile X Awareness Month, and the recent Supplement in Pediatrics, edited by Catharine Riley and Don Bailey, reported on several important topics related to Fragile X syndrome. Doi:10.1542/peds.2016-1159 AAP Fragile X Syndrome Topics

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was signed into law by President George H. W. Bush in July 1990, and US Disability Awareness Day is Sunday, July 16. Now there is a landmark legislative achievement to celebrate!

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