April 1973

Dear Colleague:

You will find enclosed in this mailing a copy of the program of the first annual meeting of The Lawson Wilkins Pediatric Endocrine Society; the subspecialty sessions of the APS-SPR are included. You also will find an agenda for the business meeting and a copy of the minutes of the several meetings held during 1971 and 1972. We look forward to seeing you in San Francisco.

Sincerely,

DELBERT A. FISHER, M.D.
Secretary
The Lawson Wilkins Pediatric Endocrine Society
Program of the First Annual Meeting

Wednesday, May 16 - 8:30 pm to 11:00 pm Tamalpais Room

Meeting of Board of Directors

Thursday, May 17 - 1:30 pm to 5:10 pm Imperial Ball Room

(Program will wrongly indicate California Room)

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm The 5th Lawson Wilkins Memorial Lecture

Lecturer: Dr. Andrea Prader
          Director of the Kinderspitals Zurich

Title: "Hereditary Metabolic Defects Causing Male Pseudohermaphroditism"

2:30 pm - 5:10 pm Endocrine Specialty Session of APS/SPR

Thursday, May 17 - 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Continental Parlor Room

Cocktails for members and their friends
          (Pay-as-you-go-Bar)

Friday, May 18 - Noon to 1:00 pm Pacific Room

First Official Business Meeting of The Lawson Wilkins Society

Saturday, May 19 - 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm California Room

Endocrine Specialty Session of APS/SPR
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

THE LAWSON WILKINS PEDIATRIC ENDOCRINE SOCIETY

Friday May 18, 1973
12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

Pacific Room
The San Francisco Hilton Hotel

Agenda

1. Reading of minutes of past meetings
2. Report of the President
3. Report of the Secretary
4. Report of the Treasurer
5. Reports of Standing Committees
   a) Membership Committee - Dr. Brasel
   b) Program Committee - Dr. Cornblath
   c) Finance Committee - Dr. Kelley
   d) Nominating Committee - Dr. Grumbach
6. Report of Special Committee
   Public Affairs Ad Hoc Committee - Dr. Blizzard
7. Unfinished Business
   a) Publication of Lawson Wilkins Memorial Lecture
   b) Consideration of board examinations in Pediatric Endocrinology and Metabolism
   c) Other
8. New Business
   a) NIH meeting on growth hormone
   b) other
9. Election of officers
10. Adjournment
May 3, 1973

Dear Colleague:

The American Diabetes Association, in 1972, organized a Committee on Diabetes in Youth. This committee is responsible to the ADA for a variety of activities as related to the occurrence of diabetes in childhood, including case findings, community education, therapy, and an assessment of research activities.

As a member of this committee, I have been asked to be responsible for reviewing the research activities in the country as it relates to the problems of the child with diabetes mellitus. I felt as a preliminary to this that it was most important that we establish who is taking care of the child with diabetes, who are training the physicians that will take care of the child with diabetes in the future, and where are research activities going on that have particular relevance to diabetes in childhood.

The enclosed questionnaire is a step in the direction of obtaining this information. This first mailing of the questionnaire will be to the members of the Lawson Wilkins Society of Pediatric Endocrinology. I would hope that you would be willing to take a few minutes to fill out this questionnaire and return it to me at the earliest possible time.

Any additional comments which you have, any comments relating to the questionnaire or other segments of the medical population which should be included in this survey would be greatly appreciated by me.

Please send the questionnaire directly to me.

Sincerely yours,

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QUESTIONNAIRE ON DIABETES IN YOUTH

I Identification

Name ________________________________

Address ________________________________

Academic Appointment ________________________________

Medical Certification ________________________________

Primary Clinical interest ________________________________

Primary research interest ________________________________

Population of your Community ________________________________

Number of Hospital beds in your institution ____________________

Number of Pediatric beds in your institution ____________________

II Membership in Medical Organizations

YES NO

JAMA

American Diabetes Association

Endocrine Society

Am. Academy of Pediatrics

Society of Pediatric Research

American Pediatric Society

Lawson Wilkins Society for Pediatric Endocrinology

Others (List those pertinent to Endo, Metabolism or Diabetes)

III Your Medical Training

Indicate Specialty

Internship ________________________________

Residency ________________________________

Are you board Certified? ________________________________
Fellowship

Pediatric Endocrine/Metabolism ____________________________

Adult Endocrine/Metabolism ____________________________

Diabetes _____________________________________________

Other (list) __________________________________________

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Length of Fellowship Training

1 Yr. ___________________________________________

2 Yr. ___________________________________________

Other (indicate) ________________________________

_____________________________________________________

Fellowship Training was

Primarily Clinical _________________________________

Primarily research ________________________________

Balanced Clinical/Research_________________________

Other ____________________________________________

Did your fellowship training include clinical training in the management of children with diabetes mellitus? _________________

Did your research training include research in areas related to diabetes mellitus in the Child?

Did your fellowship training lead to further board certification or membership in specialty organizations? Indicate those pertinent to Diabetes, Metabolism and Endocrinology ________________________________
IV  Your current medical activities.

Full time Academic Appointment

Part time Academic Appointment

Full Time practice

Other

What type of Clinical patients do you follow?

Do you personally manage children with diabetes mellitus?

What proportion of your clinical time is devoted to children with diabetes?

Do you have an active laboratory or clinical research program?

Is any of your research in the field of diabetes as it relates to the child?

Are you affiliated with a postgraduate training program in Endocrinology, Metabolism or Diabetes?

Is this program

Primarily Clinical

Primarily Research

Balanced Clinical/Research

Other

Do trainees in this program receive education and experience in the management of children with diabetes?

Do trainees in this program have an opportunity to do research in problems related to diabetes in the child?
Have "Graduates" of your training program contributed to the field of Diabetes?

What is the financial support for your training programs?
1. Federal
2. Local Hospital
3. Charitable
4. Other

V Care of the Child with Diabetes

Please estimate the number of children with diabetes in the community served by your institution.

Please attempt to estimate (by %) who provides diabetic management for the children with diabetes in your community

General Practitioners
Pediatricians
Internist
Adult Diabetologist
Pediatric Endocrinologist
Other

Is the care provided generally satisfactory?

Are these diabetic educational programs available for the children and their parents?

Who do you feel should provide care for the child with diabetes?

VI Research in Diabetes in the Child

Are you and/or your associates currently doing research in problems related to diabetes in childhood?
If so, how is the research funded?

Have you ever applied to the American Diabetes Association for research funds?

If so, was your application

Approved

Funded

Have you ever applied to the NIH for funds to investigate problems of diabetes in childhood?

If so, was your application

Approved

Funded

Assuming funds are available do you have specific interest in diabetes research in the future?

VII Comments

Please include any comments which you feel might be useful to the ADA Committee on Diabetes in Youth.
March 6, 1974

Dear Colleagues:

Several of us who have been primarily interested in diabetes mellitus in childhood felt that it would be potentially valuable to give all of the members of the Lawson Wilkins Pediatric Endocrine Society who may have interest in laboratory or clinical research in juvenile diabetes mellitus the opportunity to briefly get together and discuss areas of mutual interest.

As you know, the schedule during the SPR/APS meetings is exceedingly tight, and we could find no ideal time to hold such an informal meeting. I would like to suggest that all of you who are interested please meet with us at 8 a.m. Tuesday morning, April 30, in the auditorium that will be utilized for the Lawson Wilkins meetings beginning a little later that morning. I would greatly appreciate it if you would correspond with me prior to that time letting me know your interest (or lack of it) and your suggestions for items that might be considered appropriate discussion that morning.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Allan Drash, M.D., Director
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