PES Members:

As we begin this new year together, I would like to thank you for your continued support of our Society. I learned that nearly 30% of our members are actively involved in PES activities, most through service on Committees and Councils. This attests to your commitment and dedication. I hope more members will join us by actively supporting PES activities.

In future letters, we plan to highlight the membership, mission and goals of our committees. We hope you will find this informative and a way to find your voice in our organization.

Your thoughtful comments and suggestions to influence and shape our society and improve our service to you are also most welcome.

Annual Meeting, April 25-28, San Diego, CA
I hope you were able to join us in San Diego. The program that Dorothy Shulman and the PES Program Committee put together was outstanding. 8,673 individuals attended the broader PAS meeting, including 497 PES members who presented 109 abstracts. These numbers surpass the 385 PES members who presented 97 abstracts at the 2014 meeting in Vancouver, BC, Canada. Planning for the 2016 meeting in Baltimore (April 29-May 2) has already started.

Board Review Course
The Board Review Course in San Diego was a success! We had 197 total registrants who attended 2 ½ days of both lectures and interactive sessions. If you were not able to attend, PES is offering the course online.

SCAMPs
If you missed the SCAMPs® (Standardized Clinical Assessment and Management Plans) session at the Annual Meeting, you can still download the powerpoint presentation. The SCAMPs platform is meant to provide a framework for clinical care in order to learn more about conditions for which there is great uncertainty or variation. Each SCAMP is designed to fill gaps in knowledge in a way that can lead to potential improvements in the quality and value of the care provided. We are among the first societies to implement the SCAMPs® program. The PES website also has a QI/SCAMPs tab with much more information!

New Member Benefit—Journal Access!
All PES members now receive a free subscription to the *Hormone Research in Paediatrics* journal (HRP). You have free online access to all articles dating back to 2010, and you’ll receive a discounted print subscription if you wish to purchase that. Log in to the Members Only section for more information on how to access the journal.

Having an officially designated journal is in clear alignment with many of the Society’s Critical Conditions for Success in our 2013-2015 Strategic Plan which emphasizes resource dissemination, advancement of
knowledge, education of members, and fostering collaboration. We look forward to seeing the publication of our best scientific work in our new journal. Additionally, since HRP is the official journal of two of our key sister societies (ESPE and SLEP), we envision that this formal affiliation will promote an opportunity for more interaction and collegiality among pediatric endocrinologists worldwide. We are looking forward to the positive impact that our participation will have in the future!

2017 International Meeting Survey
Have you attended a particularly informative session recently? Are there any hot topics you would like to see addressed? If you have not done so already, and if you would like to contribute ideas about topics, speakers, or other sessions, please take 5 minutes to complete this survey and share your recent experiences to help shape the education offered at the 2017 International Meeting of Pediatric Endocrinologists. The survey will close June 19.

Hot Off the Press!
Hypoglycemia Guidelines by the PES are now available in the Journal of Pediatrics. Growth Hormone Guidelines are currently in progress. For a list of other Clinical Guidelines, please consult the PES Guidelines, Consensus Statements and Reviews web page.


Remembering Dr. Lawson Wilkins: The History Committee of the PES is pleased to announce the publication of Remembering Doctor Lawson Wilkins, A Pioneer of Pediatric Endocrinology, by Claude J Migeon and Elizabeth Wilkins McMaster, an intimate, honest, inspiring, and moving memoir that will be of great interest to pediatric endocrinologists of all ages. The book is available from Amazon ($12), and supplements can be freely accessed from the International Journal of Pediatric Endocrinology.

Finally, we’d like to welcome our new members! Amanda Angelescu, Nordie Bilbao, Nicholas Heiniger, Maria Corazon Hizon, Natalia Holot, Jason Klein, Katherine Pundyk, Cemre Robinson and Doris Taha. We now have 1,368 total members! We are still looking to expand our Advanced Practice Provider membership category, so please encourage more Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, and Physician Assistants to join. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Sally Radovich, MD
PES President

Craig Alter, MD
PES Board Member

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Historical Tidbit of the Month
Half a century ago, on October 9, 1965, a paper was received by the Israel Journal of Medical Sciences titled "Genetic pituitary dwarfism with high serum concentration of growth hormone: a new inborn error of metabolism?" authored by Zvi Laron, Athalia Pertzelan, and Shoshana Mannheimer. Published in spring 1966, this was the initial report of GH insensitivity that became known as Laron syndrome, describing 3 siblings of a consanguineous Yemeni Jewish family. If you have an interesting brief historical tidbit to share, please send it to Arlan Rosenbloom (Chairman of the History Committee) at rosenal@peds.ufl.edu.

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