

Friday, March 8, 2024

Dear AAAP members,

On behalf of the Association of Administrators in Academic Pediatrics (AAAP), we would like to invite you to join us at the **2024 AAAP Annual Spring Meeting on May 18-21, 2024**. To be held at the **Sofitel Chicago Magnificent Mile**, in the heart of downtown Chicago, Illinois, we are excited to announce that registration is now open!

**Site Host Partner** • This year, our partner is the Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago. With a 140-year legacy of excellence in pediatric care, it is the largest pediatric specialty provider in the region, delivering the highest quality, family-centered care, and high-impact research. Lurie Children’s mission is to enhance the health and well-being of children through patient care, research, education, and advocacy.

**Location** • Centrally located, in the heart of the Gold Coast Historic District, the Sofitel Chicago Mag Mile hotel will serve as this year’s venue for both the main meeting and accommodations. The hotel’s ethos draws upon its local surroundings for inspiration, while celebrating innovation and the French art de vivre, to offer a unique and luxurious European hotel experience. Providing a dynamic vantage point for exploring the Windy City, it is steps away from the city’s most vibrant sights and attractions. With Chicago being voted the [Best Big City in the US](#) for the seventh consecutive year, by *Conde Nast Traveler’s* annual Readers’ Choice Awards, there could not be a better backdrop for this year’s meeting! What more could you ask for?

**Program Overview** • “Leading Into The Future of Healthcare” is this year’s theme. Many of the topics and much of the content was curated from feedback previously shared by our members. We will look at the **delivery of care** through staffing models, maximizing APP referrals, utilization, and team-based productivity; how new technologies, data collection, and analytics surrounding revenue cycle enhancements will impact **managing into the future**; continuing efforts to improve and better **manage our workforce** as it relates to compensation, education, training, EDI, and burnout/stress management; and **operational challenges and improvements** in ambulatory, inpatient, and research settings. Panel discussions, case study presentations, workshops, breakout sessions, live-polling, and a poster session will help facilitate these discussions; providing tangible takeaways for you to take back and share with your respective teams and institutions. In addition to this member-led content, there will be collaborations with our sponsors, AMN Healthcare, CannonDesign, and Huron Healthcare. Rounding-out this robust two and a half-day program, will be the social activities and networking experiences that we’ve all come to appreciate from these meetings.

**Schedule** • The meeting will run from Saturday, May 18 through Tuesday, May 21; with registration Saturday afternoon, followed by a welcome reception in the evening. Day one begins on Sunday morning with a new member and first-time attendee orientation; and with a slight reprieve by way of an extended mid-afternoon break, until the program resumes with the poster session late afternoon, wrapping-up the first day. Kicking-off day two will be the annual business meeting; with a full-day of programming, the day concludes with a social and networking event in the evening on the iconic rooftop of [LondonHouse Chicago](#). A full morning of programming on Tuesday brings the spring meeting to a close.

**Meeting Registration** • AAAP members and non-members alike, are welcome to register for the annual meeting with our online registration partner, [Eventbrite](#). Non-members interested in becoming a AAAP member can do so [here](#), however this is not necessary to register for the meeting. As a member, we offer a [Member Assistance Program](#) (MAP). If you would like more information about AAAP and/or our membership benefits, please visit us at [aaapeds.org](#). Registration will run from **Friday, March 8 – Friday, May 10**.

**Hotel Reservations** • We are pleased to share again, a special room rate for our meeting this year. The [Sofitel Chicago](#) is extending a rate of **\$299 per night's stay**, for reservations made between **Friday, March 8 – Friday, April 19**. Rooms are subject to availability.

Please see attached for more information. Additional meeting updates and information will follow. Please check back at our website and look for updates to the email address used in your meeting registration order form.

We look forward to seeing you in May!

Sincerely,  
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