The APS Council is looking forward to greeting you in Denver for what promises to be an outstanding 2011 PAS meeting. Advanced registration is at a near all-time high with over 5200 registrants and over 870 APS members planning to meet in Denver! Below are some of the meeting highlights and special events planned with the APS membership in mind.

**MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

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<th>Saturday, April 30</th>
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| 1:15 pm – 2:45 pm | **PAS/ASPR Opening Reception**  
Colorado Convention Center, Exhibit Halls A/F (Upper Level) |
| 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm | **PAS/ASPR Opening Ceremony (including St. Geme Presentation)**  
Colorado Convention Center, Four Seasons 1 |
| 6:45 pm – 8:00 pm | **PAS/ASPR Presidential & New Members’ Reception**  
Hyatt Regency Hotel-Downtown, Centennial D (By Invitation Only) |

Don’t miss the **PAS Opening Ceremony** to be held from 5:00pm–6:30pm on Saturday. Chaired by Dr. Bruce Gelb, Opening Ceremony highlights include:

- **Special Recognition**
- **Myron Genel**, Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics & Senior Research Scientist  
**Michael Katz**, Senior Vice President for Research and Global Programs
- **Joseph W. St. Geme, Jr. Leadership Award: George Lister**  
Introduction: **Julio Pérez-Fontán**, UT Southwestern School of Medicine, Dallas, TX  
**George Lister**, UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX
- **First Lady Michelle Obama**  
Introduction: **Shale L. Wong**, University of Colorado, Health Policy Advisor, Office of First Lady Michelle Obama  
**First Lady Michelle Obama** Video Address: "Let’s Move, Let’s Lead"
- **Keynote Address: Shari L. Barkin**, Marian Wright Edelman Professor of Pediatrics, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Nashville, TN  
“Timing is Everything: Childhood Obesity From Physiology to Public Health”

The Opening Ceremony will be followed by the **PAS Presidential and New Member’s Reception** at 6:45.
An entire day of programming, networking and socializing has been planned for the membership of the APS on Sunday.

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<td><strong>APS Presidential Plenary &amp; Awards Session</strong>&lt;br&gt;Colorado Convention Center, Four Seasons 1</td>
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<td>12:00 pm – 1:00 pm</td>
<td><strong>APS Members’ Networking Lunch</strong>&lt;br&gt;Colorado Convention Center, Room 301/303 (Advance RSVP Only)</td>
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<td>(in Honor of Howland Award Recipient, Russell Chesney)&lt;br&gt;Hyatt Regency Hotel-Downtown / Capitol Foyer North (Cocktails); Capitol Ballroom 1-4 (Dinner) (By Invitation – Advance RSVP Only)</td>
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**Outstanding Invited Science by APS New Members 8:00-10:00 AM**

Please join us for this special symposium featuring scientific presentations by outstanding new members of the APS.

8:00  Development Informs Adult Disease: The Role of the Endothelial Receptor Tyrosine Kinase, Tie1, in Valve Development and Atherosclerosis  
      H. Scott Baldwin, Professor of Pediatrics (Cardiology) and Cell and Developmental Biology; Chief, Division of Pediatric Cardiology, Monroe Carell Jr. Children’s Hospital at Vanderbilt, Nashville, TN

8:30  Emerging Therapies in Epilepsy  
      Paul R. Carney, Wilder Professor and Chief, Division of Pediatric Neurology, Department of Pediatrics, University of Florida College of Medicine, Gainesville, FL

9:00  Preterm Birth as a Life-Course Condition  
      Mark A. Klebanoff, Professor of Pediatrics, The Ohio State University, Center for Perinatal Research, Nationwide Children’s Hospital, Columbus, OH

9:30  How Ethical Analysis can Lead to Changes in Clinical Practice  
      John D. Lantos, Professor of Pediatrics, University of Missouri - Kansas City, Director, Children's Mercy Bioethics Center, Children's Mercy Hospital, Kansas City, MO
APS Presidential Plenary and Awards 10:15-11:45 AM

10:15 AM  2011 APS Presidential Address: “Earthquakes, Tectonic Shifts in Graduate Medical Education, & the Role of the APS in Finding Solid Ground”
  Gary R. Fleisher

10:45 AM  Norman J. Siegel New Member Outstanding Science Award “Genome-wide Association Studies: Early Steps on a Genetic Journey”
  Joel N. Hirschhorn

11:10 AM  Introduction: John Howland Awardee
  Aaron L. Friedman

11:30 AM  The 59th Annual John Howland Award: “Lessons from Models of Disease”
  Russell W. Chesney

APS Member’s Networking Lunch 12:00-1:00 PM

We have had a fabulous response to our second annual APS member’s lunch - we are expecting over 180 APS members in attendance!

12:00 PM  Welcome & Introductory Remarks – Gary R. Fleisher
12:05 PM  Introduction of Abe Bergman – F. Bruder Stapleton
12:10 PM  Advocacy is Not a Specialty – Abraham B. Bergman
12:30 PM  Introduction of Mark Del Monte – Gary R. Fleisher
12:35 PM  Connecting Kids to DC: Federal Advocacy Opportunities – Mark Del Monte
12:55 PM  Concluding Remarks – Gary R. Fleisher

APS State of the Times Scientific Symposium 1:00-3:00 PM

Treatment of Pediatric Diseases Using Gene Therapy

Chair: David Williams, Children’s Hospital Boston & Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, MA

1:00 PM  Clinical Applications of Gene Therapy - David A. Williams
  The Children’s Hospital of Boston, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA

1:10 PM  Gene Therapy for Primary Immune Deficiencies: Promise, Pitfalls and Progress - Donald B. Kohn
  University of California, Los Angeles

1:45 PM  Gene Therapy for Hematologic Diseases - Mary C. Dinauer
  University of Indiana School of Medicine, Indianapolis, IN

2:20 PM  Innovations in Cell and Gene Therapy - David A. Williams

2:55 PM  Discussion

APS Member’s Dinner in Honor of Howland Award Recipient, Russell W. Chesney 7:00-9:30 PM

On Sunday evening over 240 APS members and guests will gather to recognize and celebrate the 2011 John Howland Awardee, Dr. Russ Chesney, and formally acknowledge the 2011 APS New Members. Moderating the evening’s event is Dr. Aaron Friedman with comments and toasts by Sunny Anand, Norman Fost and Aaron Friedman.

See you in Denver!

Judy Aschner, APS Secretary/Treasurer, on behalf of the APS Council