The 46th BSPED Annual Meeting will be held in Birmingham, at the Repertory Theatre on 7-9 November 2018. BSPED 2018 will be hosted by Tim Barrett and Renuka Dias.

Registrations and abstract submissions will open soon, with an abstract deadline of 16th July.

The abstract categories for 2018 will be as follows:

- Adrenal
- Bone
- Diabetes
- Gonadal, DSD & Reproduction
- Late Effects of Cancer Treatment
- Obesity
- Pituitary & Growth
- Thyroid
- CME (continuing medical education)
- Miscellaneous / other

Conference dinner

The conference dinner will this year be held at the Banqueting Suite of the Grade 2 listed Birmingham Council House. While we will be dining in elegant Victorian surroundings, it will be a relaxed event, with plenty of opportunity to eat, drink and catch up with friends and colleagues. Tickets will be available via the conference registration system when it opens.
News from the BSPED Office

Don’t Miss Out On Your Newsletter

The new EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) will be coming into force next month. To ensure you can still receive your BSPED newsletter and other BSPED information by email, we will be asking you to confirm your communication preferences when you renew your membership online. If you’d like to confirm them now (or if you currently pay by standing order), you can log on to your secure members’ area and go to your Profile Services.

Diabetes Officer Vacancy – deadline on Monday

Applications are requested for the position of BSPED Diabetes Officer, to take effect from June 2018. The vacancy has arisen as a result of the completion of the term of office of Dr May Ng.

The Diabetes Officer is a member of the Clinical Committee, which meets 4 times a year, and the role also has specific responsibility for the following:

1. Respond to any diabetes related queries received by the BSPED and other organisations.
2. Play a leading role in the development/endorsements of diabetes guidelines, policies and audits.
3. Sit on the BSPED Clinical Committee.
4. Update the BSPED Clinical Committee on any projects that would be of relevance from other groups (ie. ACDC, Diabetes UK, JDRF, ABCD, national networks).
5. Update on projects and initiatives being undertaken by the (national) paediatric diabetes networks.
7. Respond to diabetes related policies as stakeholder.
8. Attend APPG Diabetes on behalf of BSPED.

The position of the Diabetes Officer has a term of 3 years. For a full job description, please contact the BSPED office. For informal questions about the role, you may contact outgoing officer May Ng on may.ng@nhs.net.

Applicants should send their CV including photo, together with a 200 word covering letter supporting their suitability for the position. All documents should be submitted electronically to the BSPED Office (bsped@endocrinology.org) by 30 April 2018.

Audit and Peer Review Officer Vacancy – deadline on Monday

Applications are requested for the position of BSPED Audit and Peer Review Officer, to take effect from June 2018. The vacancy has arisen as a result of the completion of the term of office of Dr Leena Patel.

The Audit and Peer Review Officer is a member of the Clinical Committee, which meets 4 times a year, and the role also has specific responsibility for:

a. Respond to any audit queries received by the BSPED.
b. Consider and prioritise requests for new audits from the BSPED membership.
d. Oversee the development of new audits in paediatric endocrinology and diabetes.
e. Liaise and support audit authors and update the Clinical Committee.
f. Advise on the strategy for the Peer Review process and lead on its implementation.

The position of the Audit and Peer Review Officer has a term of 3 years. For a full job description, please contact the BSPED office.
Applicants should send their CV including photo, together with a 200 word covering letter supporting their suitability for the position. All documents should be submitted electronically to the BSPED Office (bsped@endocrinology.org) by 30 April 2018.

Trainee Update

Introducing the new BSPED Trainee Notice Board

We are pleased to announce that the new BSPED Trainee Notice Board which is hosted on Trello (https://trello.com/) is now fully functional. If you are a trainee and have not been sent a link by email of how to join, please email bspedtraineerep@gmail.com for further details. Going forward most notices will only be announced once via email and the BSPED newsletter, after which they will appear on Trello to avoid repetition. This new platform will additionally allow members to post their own announcements (e.g. regional diabetes camps) and share information without having to go through the trainee mailing list.

Diabetes UK Camps

It has come to our attention that Diabetes UK have currently put all their camps on hold. As you will be aware if you are a GRID/SPIN trainee attendance at at least one diabetes holiday camp is mandatory during your training. We have clarified the situation with our CSAC Training Advisor, Dr. May Ng who has confirmed that trainees do not need to attend a specific Diabetes UK holiday camp, and attendance at other loco-regional camps will also be satisfactory. Details of these camps should be available via your regional diabetes network.

BSPED Trainee Mailing List

We are continuing to update our trainee mailing list with the aim of maintaining a more accurate database of trainees across the UK. If you are a trainee and wish to receive updates on courses, job opportunities, information on training or feedback on any training issues, please contact us via the email address below.

Dr. Hoong-Wei Gan and Dr. S Ching Chen
RCPCH CSAC Trainee Representatives
Email: bspedtraineerep@gmail.com
News from the Clinical Committee

Urology/DSD statements

The Clinical Committee would like to draw your attention to two statements issued over the past few months by international endocrine and urology societies, in relation to a recently published report and recommendation on DSD.

The BSPED was not involved in developing or endorsing these statements, but we have added them to the BSPED website for your information:

Human Rights Watch (HRW) and interACT Report - Joint Statement

Position statement on DSD from the European Society for Paediatric Urology

New Patient Information Leaflets

The Clinical Committee is currently reviewing the BSPED’s patient information leaflets following consultation with its members. New leaflets on the subjects of Hypothyroidism in Childhood and Hypopituitarism (Multiple Pituitary Hormone Deficiency) have now been produced and are available on the BSPED website.

Further leaflets will be available soon.

Growth Hormone Audit

The latest GH Audit report is now available for members to view online in the members’ area of the BSPED website. (Please log in and then go to Additional Information > Committee Documents). This report includes data up until September 2017.

Submitting items to the Clinical Committee

In order to manage the full agenda of this busy committee we would request that any items that members would like to be reviewed by the Clinical Committee should be submitted to the committee through the BSPED Office in good time. Please see below the deadline dates for submission for the upcoming Clinical Committee meeting:

1 May for Clinical Committee 16 May 2018
Dear Colleague,

NICE has launched a consultation on the update of ‘Developing NICE guidelines: the manual’ and as a member of the British Society for Paediatric Endocrinology and Diabetes (BSPED) we invite your comments on the consultation.

This is an opportunity to comment on any aspects that raise concern. NICE will consider all comments submitted by the College, so it is important that paediatricians do review the consultation documents. CPD points may be available.

Developing NICE guidelines: the manual was published in October 2014, bringing together process and methods across public health, social care, clinical, safe staffing and medicines practice guidelines. The manual was scheduled for review in the third quarter of 2017, three years after publication.

Please review the consultation documents (updated manual chapters, updated appendices and glossary) and record any comments on the comments proforma. We are interested to hear from you even if you have no specific comments to make, and are happy with the consultation document, as this will enable us to feedback to the developer that we support the document.

Please return this form to the Clinical Standards Team by 5pm, Friday 8 June 2018, and invite your colleagues who may be interested in this topic to register as a consultee.

If you have any questions, please contact the Clinical Standards Team. Thank you in advance for your help.

Best wishes

RCPCH Quality Improvement Committee

Request for Diabetes & Endocrinology AAC panel members

The RCPCH maintains a list of specialty consultants who would be willing to represent the college on interview panels. The current list is now out of date. If consultants are interested in participating in these interview panels please read the information from the RCPCH below and register your interest with the Advisory Appointments Committee (AAC) team at aac@rcpch.ac.uk

The College requires those wishing to represent it on an AAC panel to meet the following criteria:

- Ordinary Member of Fellow of the RCPCH
- In the relevant subspecialty for 4 years at substantive Consultant grade and currently practicing as a Consultant in the subspecialty
- Does no work for the recruiting Employer
- Is in good standing with the RCPCH
- Has undertaken training in non-discriminatory interviewing techniques from an NHS provider

Training is provided and the next AAC Training Day is on Thursday 7th June, at RCPCH London office.
The British Society for Paediatric Endocrinology and Diabetes endorses *Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism Case Reports.*

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Meetings and courses

22nd Advanced Postgraduate Course on Growth and Growth Disorders
28th May-1st June – Stockholm, Sweden

This 5-day course will cover the biology of human growth as well as clinical management of growth disorders. Teachers are selected among internationally known experts in paediatric endocrinology and other aspects on growth. Fellows are expected to arrive in Stockholm Sunday May 27 and leave in the afternoon Friday June 1.

The course is primarily directed towards young European paediatric endocrinologists who are in training or just achieved their specialty. The number of fellows is limited to 25. Thus, the course leaders will select a multinational group of fellows from the applicants in order to make sure that all are on a similar level in training. A good command of the English language is mandatory. Experience in research is advantageous, but not necessary.


8th International Workshop on Advances in the Molecular Pharmacology and Therapeutics of Bone and other Musculoskeletal Diseases
30th June-1st July 2018 - Oxford

The 2018 MolPharm Workshop is the 8th in a series that started in 2003. It is intended to provide a basis for understanding the molecular mechanisms of action of drugs known to act on the skeleton, and a rational basis for developing novel therapies in the future, based on some of the remarkable recent advances in the genetics and biology of bone and the musculoskeletal system.

The Workshop is interactive and international, with speakers who are leaders of their fields in academia and industry. The workshop is held at St Catherine’s College, Oxford. This delightful campus setting creates excellent opportunities for productive interactions among all participants.

https://molpharmworkshop.org/

ESPE Science Symposium: The Science of Gender
18-19 October 2018 – Tavistock Centre, London

The 2018 ESPE Science Symposium on Science of Gender: evidence for what influences gender development and gender dysphoria and what are the respective influences of nature and nurture will take place at the Tavistock Centre, London, UK on 18-19 October 2018.

The 1.5 day programme will cover: the science of sex and gender development, the science of neurodevelopment and the science of endocrine therapy.

The event is limited to 100 attendees, including faculty: 25 fully sponsored places will be available for trainees, young clinicians and scientists (individuals within 8 years (FTE) of completion of doctorate training). The application deadline for free places is 1 July 2018. After this date, registration will be open to all, at a cost of €80.
The meeting is being organised by the ESPE Gender Dysphoria Working Group together with the host organisation, The Gender Identity Development Service and is supported by an educational grant from Pfizer.

For more information and to apply, please visit the ESPE website: https://www.eurospe.org/education/espe-science-symposium/

7th Congress of the European Academy of Paediatric Societies
30th October-3rd November 2018 – Paris, France

Serving as a nexus for the wealth of knowledge provided by three leading paediatric societies, the 7th Congress of the European Academy of Paediatric Societies (EAPS 2018) promises to build on the reputation of previous highly successful meetings. Paediatric professionals from around the world will gain unparalleled access to the best scientific research programmes.

Firmly established yet dedicated to thinking outside the box, EAPS 2018 aims to engage the world’s best in a hearty exchange of experiences and expertise in research and clinical care. Europe’s foremost paediatrics subspecialty societies EAP, ESPNIC and ESPR have dedicated their time and formidable talents into organizing a stellar educational/research forum that will celebrate outstanding science in all areas of paediatrics.

http://www.eaps.kenes.com/2018

2018 meetings

ECE: 19-22 May 2018
ADA: 22-26 June 2018
ESPE: 27-29 September 2018
ISPAD: 11-14 October 2018
BSPED: 7-9 November 2018
BES: 19-21 November 2018

We hope that you are familiar with the Other Meetings page on the BSPED website. This page can be updated by anyone promoting a meeting of interest to the Society. This can be done by visiting http://www.bioscievents.com/submit/submit.aspx where details of the meeting can be uploaded and will be added to the BSPED Calendar of Events on the Other Meetings page. If you have any queries about this please contact the BSPED Office at bsped@endocrinology.org.

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