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Dear Chapter Presidents and Chapter Executive Directors:

Recently, all American Academy of Pediatrics resident members were sent a notification regarding two very important Academy resident programs: the ***Resident Scholarship Program*** and the ***Resident Research Grant Program***.

The Academy's Resident Scholarship Program is specifically designed to help allay financial difficulties for residents in good academic standing. The Academy grants annually a number of scholarships varying from \$1,000 to \$5,000. Each application will be reviewed carefully, and awards will be granted to the most deserving pediatric interns and residents.

The Resident Research Grant Program is designed to give pediatric residents with *limited research experience* an opportunity to initiate and complete research projects related to their professional interests. \$2,000 grants are available to qualifying residents. Projects may be related to the full spectrum of child health research, such as behavioral sciences, biomedical sciences, epidemiology, health services, perinatal/neonatal health, prevention, public health, quality improvement, quality measurement, or basic laboratory-based science. Residents must conduct their research under the supervision of a mentor within their own department or with other basic, clinical, or social scientists within the resident's institution. Research projects can be conducted for a maximum of two years and should be completed during the residency program.

The applications can be accessed online through the following secure links:
http://www.aap.org/sections/ypn/r/funding_awards/res_scholarships.html for the Resident Scholarship Application and
http://www.aap.org/sections/ypn/r/funding_awards/research_grants.html for the Resident Research Grant Application.

Applications for both programs must be submitted by February 28, 2010.

Please encourage your residents to apply for either or both programs. These programs represent some of the many ways that the Academy supports residents. Thank you, in advance, for assisting and encouraging residents to apply for these programs.

For more information on either program, please contact:

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