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AAAAI 2023-2024 President

Program Directors Assembly Winter Meeting
January 6, 2024

AAAAI Executive Committee



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Partnership with the ACAAI

AAAAI/ACAAI A/I Program Directors Winter Meeting

Joint Task Force on Practice Parameters (JTFPP)

New website just launched www.allergyparameters.org

Joint Board Review Course

Numerous Advocacy Initiatives

AAAAI 2024 Travel Scholarships & Awards

Domestic Fellows-In-Training

261 scholarships | \$309,900 in funding

PhD Travel Scholarship

32 scholarships | \$41,200 in funding

International Fellows-in-Training

14 scholarships | \$27,600 in funding

Medical Student/Residents

231 scholarships | \$208,900 in funding

2024 AAAAI & AAAAI Foundation Grant/Award Offerings

- Four Foundation Faculty Development Awards (each \$300,000 over three years)
- One 2-year AAAAI Drug Hypersensitivity Award, totaling \$150,000
- AAAAI Educator Development Award (\$45,000 over one year). *Letter of Intent closes on January 15, 2024, please visit www.aaaai.org for more information.*

AAAAI Chrysalis Project

The Chrysalis Project was developed to increase medical student and resident knowledge about the pathogenesis and treatment of common allergic and immunologic disease, to increase student awareness of training programs in allergy and immunology and to introduce promising students to a field that represents an exciting option in medical education.

2024 Chrysalis Project
60 participants



2023 program participants in San Antonio, TX

AAAAI Fellows-in-Training

FIT Liaisons:

- Advocacy Committee
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee
- New Allergist/Immunologist Assembly (NAIA)
- Practice Management Committee
- Primary Immunodeficiency Committee
- Office of Medical Education

FIT-Faculty Reviewer Program:

Purpose: to facilitate faculty mentorship to assist FITs in learning how to review for scientific journals.

More information online including training materials:

<https://shorturl.at/AGNU2>



Stella Hartono, MD, PhD
FIT Committee Chair



Priya Patel, MD
FIT Committee Vice Chair

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FIT Zoom Mixer: Let's Talk About



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FIT
Fellow-In-Training **Alert**



AAAAI
FIT Listserv

Access information on:

- Assembly committees
- In-Training Exam
- PDA toolbox
- A/I training programs

For Program Directors

The AAAAI is committed to offering allergy / immunology program directors information and tools to assist with the vital responsibilities of overseeing the curriculum for fellows-in-training, as well as recruiting the best talent into the specialty.

The Program Directors Assembly (PDA) membership includes program, associate, assistant and co-directors of A/I training programs that are officially accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) or the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC). Currently there are over 195 assembly members from 84 US and 14 Canadian A/I training programs.

Along with educational duties, program directors are responsible for maintaining the accreditation of their training programs. This section includes PDA related resources.

Program Director Assembly Committees and Liaisons

[Program Directors Assembly \(PDA\) Executive Committee](#)

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2024 AAAIA Annual Meeting

Presidential Plenary: Neuroimmunology: Cross Talk Between Allergy and Other Specialties

New This Year - Discovery

The 2024 Discovery program Type 2 Immunity in Health and Disease will be a three-day fully in-person conference during the Annual Meeting featuring cutting-edge basic science symposia.

2024 Practice Management Workshop

FIT registration fee: \$100



2024 Faculty Development Program

Milwaukee, WI, September 5-8, 2024 | Application opens January 16

The program offers a unique opportunity for fellows-in-training and junior faculty to receive personalized mentorship from established mentors with distinct perspectives on a career in academic research and addresses a range of challenges and rewards in academic research.

AAAAI Advocacy

- Advocating for increasing food allergy research funding
- Promoting expansion of residency spots and debt repayment help for medical school students and residents who serve federally identified areas of higher need
- Fighting to increase Medicare physician reimbursement and reform of utilization management/prior authorization in context of consistent raises for other interests
- Ongoing support for verification testing of patient-reported penicillin allergy in support of antibiotic stewardship
- Supporting efforts to address disparities in healthcare for patients and providers
- Encouraging early introduction of peanut in federal nutrition support programs
- Engaging Congress on bills impacting patient access to A/I care

Penicillin Allergy Testing, Improving & Expanding Needed Treatment (PATIENT) Program

The AAAAI received a grant from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, awarded by the Council of Medical Specialty Societies' Promoting Diagnostic Excellence Across Medicine program.

A series of eight videos was developed to promote penicillin allergy delabeling through Amoxicillin challenge. The videos, including adult inpatient and pediatric in-office testing, cover the following topics: importance of penicillin allergy delabeling, barriers to implementation, how to perform amoxicillin challenges, and patient-focused videos on importance of penicillin allergy delabeling.



4 videos for adult inpatient delabeling



- The QR code below leads to the PATIENT program videos on the AAAAI's website
- The AAAAI Penicillin Allergy Center offers the videos and many helpful related resources



AAAAI Presidential Initiatives Update

Presidential Theme: Addressing Environmental Disparities
Through Development of a Public Health Community
Volunteer Program

Volunteerism Addressing Environmental Disparities in Allergy (VAEDIA) Task Force.

- Development of a questionnaire survey to be distributed to the membership to determine their current involvement in volunteerism in their local community or in any capacity.
- Recently distributed to AAAAI membership for completion; data to be available in first quarter 2024.

- A “call to action” paper aiming to discuss the attributes of volunteerism to address environmental disparities in underserved populations submitted to JACI: *In Practice*.

“Everybody can be great. Because anybody can serve. You don’t have to have a college degree to serve. You don’t have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve.... You don’t have to know the second theory of thermodynamics in physics to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.” **Martin Luther King, Jr.**

Environmental Health Equity Research Grant

- Designed to support clinical allergists with interests in volunteerism with a focus on community engagement in the conduct of projects advancing environmental health equity for populations with allergic and immunologic diseases.
- Objective is to support projects that address environmental disparities through community engagement.
- AAAAI Board has approved funding for up to four 2-year awards for selection in 2024 to be funded 2025-2027.

International Health Disparities Forum

- Purpose: To address health disparities in different parts of the world and to take place during the AAAAI Annual Meeting.
- Sessions are intended to help increase participation by international colleagues in the Annual Meeting and to cultivate dialogue that can lead to educational and research collaborations between countries in the region.

Annual Benefit

—2024 Washington, DC—

Celebrating and Supporting Research



Registration available with your
Annual Meeting registration or by visiting
https://www.aaaifoundation.org/forms/benefit_tickets.php

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Join us
February 24,
2024

for an evening of
fine food, great music
and the presentation of our

2024 Faculty
Development Awards

Grand Hyatt Washington
7:00 - 10:00 pm
Cocktail Attire

Ticket Prices:
\$300 - Patron
\$3,000 - Table of 10
\$200 - NAIA/Allied Health
\$125 - Student



2022-2023 Faculty Development Awards Impact Study Results

\$9,760,000

has been provided by the Foundation in major awards since 1993

\$110,168,204

in federal grants have been granted to our award recipients after the Foundation provided initial support

44 of our 45

major awardees have continued their careers in Allergy/Immunology

AAAAI FOUNDATION Rally for A/I Research

February 25, 2024

4:30 – 6:30 PM

Walter E. Washington Convention Center
Washington, DC

Register online now for only \$25!



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2024 Washington, DC



Have Fun.
Get Fit.
Give Back.

Celebrate the research supported by the AAAAI Foundation by joining us for an indoor fitness party with:

Strength Showdown
Smoothie Bikes
Tai Chi
Zumba
and more!

For more information, scan the QR code or visit:
aaaaifoundation.org/special-events/rally-for-ai-research

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