

## PEDIATRIC GASTROENTEROLOGY COMMITTEE

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### RESPONSIBILITIES AS STATED IN THE ACG BYLAWS

This Committee shall be responsible for promoting the exchange through the College both for what ACG can do to better serve the interests of pediatric gastroenterologists and pediatric patient populations and serving generally as a channel through which pediatric gastroenterologists can contribute to the improvement and benefit of the College and its members, assisting with efforts to actively encourage membership of pediatric gastroenterologists in the College, developing means to increase participation and visibility of pediatric gastroenterologists within the College generally, encouraging submission of papers relating to pediatric gastroenterology to *The American Journal of Gastroenterology*, and identifying and bringing forth ideas to make the ACG Annual Meeting more attractive to pediatric gastroenterologists.

### OBJECTIVES

1. Increase the membership level of pediatric gastroenterologists in the ACG.
2. Promote the benefits of ACG membership for pediatric gastroenterologists.
3. Increase level of involvement in the ACG Annual Meeting by pediatric gastroenterologists.
4. Encourage the submission of abstracts for the Annual Meeting.
5. Encourage the submission of manuscripts to *The American Journal of Gastroenterology*.
6. Encourage increased Committee representation by pediatric gastroenterologists.

### COMMITTEE REPORT

1. We continue to reach out to all Pediatric GI Fellowship Program Training Directors by email to encourage pediatric GI fellows to join the ACG and attend the Annual Meeting.
2. The Committee worked with the ACG education staff for the sixth consecutive year to secure American Board of Pediatrics MOC points for the 2025 Annual Scientific Meeting and Postgraduate Course.
3. Pediatric to Adult Transition of Care Survey – Subcommittee members, Drs. Inessa Normatov, Yolanda Rivas, Ashwin Agrawal, Adnan Altaf, Girish Hiremath, Sandeep Gupta, and Joseph Runde designed a survey focusing on transition of care in patients with developmental disabilities and complex medical needs. The aim of the survey is to assess the self-perceived readiness of the accepting GI physicians in caring for these patients as well as their current practice set-up. The survey was sent to ACG physician members in January 2025, and results will be shared with the membership in the coming months.