

Eastern Society for Pediatric Research (ESPR)

Position Title: President-Elect

Reports to: ESPR Executive Council

Term: 1 year as President-Elect, followed by 2 years as President, and 1 year as Immediate Past

President

Position Summary

The President-Elect of the Eastern Society for Pediatric Research (ESPR) serves as a key member of the Executive Council and supports the President in advancing the mission, vision, and strategic priorities of the Society. This role provides leadership continuity within the organization, ensuring smooth transition and sustained progress toward ESPR's goals of fostering pediatric research, mentoring trainees, and promoting collaboration across the Eastern region.

Key Responsibilities

Leadership and Governance

- Assist the President in overseeing the activities and operations of the Society.
- Participate actively in Executive Council meetings, contributing to policy development, strategic planning, and decision-making.
- Serve as liaison to designated committees or task forces as appointed by the President.
- Become familiar with all ongoing initiatives, programs, and partnerships to ensure readiness to assume the presidency.

Annual Meeting and Scientific Program

- Collaborate with the President, Program Chair(s), and Council members in planning the annual ESPR meeting.
- Participate in abstract review, session planning, and award selections as needed.
- Support efforts to promote trainee engagement and highlight high-quality scientific presentations.

Membership and Outreach

Advocate for ESPR's mission to promote pediatric research and education.

Encourage membership growth and diversity within the Society.

Represent ESPR at regional and national meetings, when appropriate.

Succession and Transition

Work closely with the President to ensure continuity of leadership and initiatives.

Prepare to assume the office of President at the conclusion of the term.

Support a smooth transition by documenting key priorities and ongoing projects.

Qualifications

Active member of the Eastern Society for Pediatric Research in good standing.

Demonstrated commitment to pediatric research, mentorship, and academic leadership.

Prior service to ESPR (e.g., as committee member, council member, or officer) strongly preferred.

Strong organizational, communication, and collaborative leadership skills.

Term of Office:

• 4- year commitment: Year 1 - President-Elect, Years 2 & 3 President, Year 4 Past-President

Method of Appointment:

• Elected by the membership

Time Commitment

Attend and participate in all Executive Council and Council meetings (virtual or in-person).

Participate in the ESPR annual meeting and associated leadership sessions.

Engage in ESPR throughout the year as needed for effective leadership and planning.