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SENTAC

The Society for Ear, Nose, and
Throat Advances in Children



President's Message

Patrick Barth, MD

Dear SENTAC Colleagues,

Here in the Northeast the beaches have closed, the leaves have turned, and now are falling. As the temperature drops, and we prepare to celebrate family with the upcoming holidays we also prepare to gather with our professional colleagues from various disciplines. Sunny San Diego awaits our arrival to gather, reconnect, and learn from each other. We are fortunate to share our meeting this year with EndoDays a fantastic interactive airway conversation hosted by Seth Pransky MD, and Mathew Brigger MD. It has an national and international draw of expert airway surgeons whom discuss a range of pediatric airway problems from the very simple to the most complex. As EndoDays winds down Deepak Mehta MD and his program committee has put together a robust engaging interactive program, and plenty of time for us to reconnect and make new friends.

The SENTAC Leadership and board has been hard at work this year with infrastructure improvements. We have upgraded the backend of our website which manages everything from membership, abstract submission, and collections. This has been the result of hard work by several board members, but specifically Daniella Carvalho MD, Gresham Richter MD and Brandon Peterson whom manages the technical aspects of SENTAC, and our website.

See you all in San Diego.

Sincerely,
Patrick Barth, MD
SENTAC President



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Remember to Download the Attendify conference app and join SENTAC to stay connected at the meeting. Information to Come.

Program Chair's Report

Deepak K. Mehta, MD

Greetings fellow SENTAC members, friends, and colleagues:

On behalf of the program committee, it is with great pleasure that I invite you all to the 46th annual SENTAC meeting, December 5-8 in San Diego, California. The meeting will be held at the Price Center at the University of California-San Diego University Centers, one of the largest students centers in the country. The meeting hotel will be at the San Diego Marriott La Jolla which is a quick 10-minute drive to the Price Center. We encourage you to bring your non-physician colleagues as part of the ["Bring a Colleague to SENTAC Campaign"](#).

I am pleased to inform you that this year's SENTAC will be special because we are collaborating with the very popular EndoDays, hosted by Rady Children's Hospital-San Diego under the leadership of Drs. Seth Pransky and Matthew Brigger. This is a unique opportunity for the membership to have multiple interactive sessions along with international experts while having live surgery.

We have a robust academic program with podium sessions and quick shot presentations. This year our keynote speaker will be Dr. Steven Kingsmore, who will be giving a talk on "Innovations in Genomics". We will also have a Ruben award lecture given by Dr. Albert Park on "Why We Need to Screen for Congenital CMV". Our Stool Award winner, Dr. Claire Miller, will address "Teaching, Mentoring, and Advising: Lessons Learned".

We have concurrent symposia on swallowing and hearing loss. We are introducing hands-on clinical focus sessions which include Speech Pathology Focus to attract the SLPs and physicians interested in swallowing and "New Technology in Hearing" for the audiologists and healthcare providers interested in hearing. We will also have Tracheostomy Care for the APPs and other healthcare providers. Lastly, our hands-on 3D model course on "Laryngotracheal Reconstruction, Laryngeal Clefts, and Beyond" for trainees and young physicians.

We will have our 2nd annual Academic Bowl sponsored by the Young Physicians' Committee and encourage each academic institution to submit their teams. We will have various panel and lunch breakout sessions that will spark everyone's interests. The meeting will adjourn with a series of abbreviated "quick shot" presentations. For the full program, [click here](#).

The banquet will be held at Karl Strauss Brewery and is expected to be a fun-filled event. Transportation will be provided from the hotel to the restaurant as well as from the restaurant back to the hotel.

I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to Lesa Porterfield who has served as our meeting organizer as well as the entire program committee for their hard work and diligence to ensure this year's meeting will be informative, exciting, and memorable.

Sincerely,

Deepak K. Mehta, MD

SENTAC Program Chair

Secretary's Report

Daniela Carvalho, MD MMM FAAP

Dear SENTAC Colleagues,

We have received 20 applications for membership so far this year! It includes physicians, fellows, PAs and speech and language pathologists. What is also incredible was the number of international applications from several countries (Brazil, Canada, Russia, and Saudi Arabia). This growth and diversity strengthen our society, which aims to foster interdisciplinary clinical care and research – all over the world!

Please encourage your colleagues (pediatricians, ENTs, audiologists, speech pathologists, nurses, PAs, and any other health professional interested in pediatric ENT) to join SENTAC. It is this variety of health specialists that makes SENTAC such a dynamic and fantastic venue for discussion and academic growth. If you have any questions about membership, please do not hesitate to contact me directly (dcarvalho@rchsd.org).

We look forward to seeing all of you at the 47th SENTAC meeting in San Diego. This year promises to be unique as we have combined our meeting with Endo Days. Make sure to encourage medical students, residents, fellows, and other young professionals to attend and benefit from this fantastic meeting!

Sincerely,

Daniela Carvalho, MD MMM FAAP
SENTAC Secretary



Carvalho family hiking Bryce Canyon.



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PreSENTAC - EndoDays

INTERNATIONAL
Rady Children's Hospital-San Diego



Course Directors: Seth M. Pransky MD

Matthew T. Brigger MD, MPH

Rady Children's Hospital – San Diego, CA

December 5th – 6th, 2019

Honored Guests: Robin Cotton MD, FRCS(C); Steven Zeitels MD; Peter Belafsky, MD, PhD

Special Wisdom Commentary– Robin Cotton interacts with pioneering, experienced pediatric airway experts:

Thoughts on controversial issues: “if, how and when I do it”

Panel discussion commentary

Sharing insights from lessons learned

David Albert, MD: London, England (GOS)

Colin Barber, MD: Auckland, New Zealand (Starship)

Noel Garabedian, MD: Paris, France (Necker Children's)

Andy Inglis, MD: Seattle, Washington (Seattle Children's)

Jean Michel Triglia, MD: Marseilles, France (La Timone Children's)

Robert Ward, MD: New York City, NY (NYU)

George Zalzal, MD: Washington, DC (Children's National Medical Ctr)