INSIDE THIS ISSUE: SoSILM Executive Committee Election Results, SoSILM at IPSSW, A new virtual reality product launched in partnership with Bodyswaps, Simulation Resources, Member Spotlight, and more!

Message from Leadership

As we move into July 2023, I hope each of you is finding a way to integrate simulation and innovative learning into your practice. I find this time of year, when many in healthcare get a year older and may be considering whether we are experiencing a July/August effect, to be challenging. I hope we can see this time as an opportunity to take advantage of fresh new perspectives. So, I challenge you to ask the following questions:

- Is there a new learning or teaching modality you might want to try?
- Is there a simulation that you’ve been thinking would be great to make and do?

Now is also the time to make plans to attend the NCE. Our section meeting will take place on Sunday, October 22, 2023 and will be full of ways to teach and learn.

See you there?

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Interested in joining SoSILM?
Use the QR code to join - all professions are welcome!
SoSILM Election Results

Please welcome the new Executive Committee member and re-elected Chairperson to the SOSILM Executive Committee!

Terms will officially start November 1, 2023.

New SOSILM Executive Committee Member

*Dr. Natasha Afonso MD, FAAP, MPH*

Dr. Afonso is a cardiac intensive care physician and associate professor at Texas Children's Hospital/Baylor College of Medicine. She graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with a degree in the Biologic Basis of Behavior and minors in Spanish and Psychology. After graduating, Dr. Afonso worked for a home visitation program for primarily immigrant women at Mary’s Center, a nonprofit clinic for women and children in Washington, D.C. She went on to obtain her Medical Degree from Tulane University School of Medicine and her Master of Public Health with a concentration in International Health from Tulane School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. After completing her residency at New York Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center, she completed her critical care fellowship and cardiac intensive care instructor training at Texas Children’s Hospital.

Dr. Afonso is interested in education and has been a course director for the Pediatric Fundamentals of Critical Care Support Course (PFCCS) both locally and internationally since 2016. She is the Medical Director of Simulation for the Heart Center and is the Associate Director for the CICU Instructor program. She is committed to making these programs better each year. Her other clinical interests involve acute kidney injury and addressing health care disparities in the inpatient setting, particularly for non-English speaking patients and their families. As a lifelong learner, she is working on a Masters of Health Professions Education as well as completing yoga teacher training!

Re-elected SOSILM Chairperson

*Dr. Marjorie Lee White MD, MPPM, MA, FAAP, FACEP*

Dr. Marjorie Lee White is Professor of Pediatrics, Emergency Medicine and Medical Education at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB). She is board certified in Pediatrics, Pediatric Critical Care and Pediatric Emergency Medicine and practices Pediatric Emergency Medicine at Children’s of Alabama. She was awarded a bachelor’s in history and American studies from Princeton University. She obtained her medical degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB). She also obtained her Master’s in education from UAB, her Master’s in public and private management from Birmingham-Southern College and a Certificate in Patient Safety & Quality from UAB. From 2008-2014 she was the Co-Medical Director of the Pediatric Simulation Center @ Children’s of Alabama. She served as Director of the UAB Office of Interprofessional Simulation from 2014-2022. She is currently Vice President for Clinical Simulation, UAB Medicine, Assistant Dean for Clinical Simulation, UAB Heersink School of Medicine and adjunct faculty at the Pediatric Simulation Center. She also previously served as Chair of the Pediatric Section & the Safety II and Resilience Engineering Affinity Group of the Society for Simulation in Healthcare.

Dr. White is active in the International Pediatric Simulation Society (IPSS) and the International Nework for Simulation-based Pediatric Innovation, Research and Education (INSPIRE). She is passionate about using simulation to advance the IHI triple aim of improving the experience of care, improving the health of populations and reducing per capita costs of care.
SoSILM at the International Pediatric Society and Symposia and Workshops

Improving Pediatric Outcomes with Simulation: Human Factors and Technology

SoSILM participated in the IPSSW 2023 conference in Lisbon, Portugal and hosted the Building and Operationalizing Clinical Event Debriefing (CED) Programs.

Congratulations to the faculty on a successful workshop!

The following SoSILM members were workshop leaders for the program:

- Natasha Afonso, MD, MPH; Texas Children's Hospital
- Douglas Dannaway, MD; University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
- Lou Halamek, MD, FAAP; Stanford University; Lucile Packard Children's Hospital
- Michelle Olech-Smith, DNP, MS, RN, CHSE; American Academy of Pediatrics
- Taylor Sawyer, DO, MPH, MBA, CHSE-A; Seattle Children's Hospital
- Debra Weiner, MD, PhD; Boston Children's Hospital
- Marjorie Lee White, MD, MPPM, MA; University of Alabama at Birmingham
- Traci Wolbrink, MD, MPH; Boston Children's Hospital

We are seeking two members of SoSILM who are entitled to vote and serve for a two-year term each.

Responsibilities include recruitment & nomination of members to serve on the SoSILM EC while integrating diversity, expertise, and tenure considerations into the EC composition as well as succession planning in order to achieve the strategic plan under the leadership of the Nominations Committee Chair who is a past EC member.

Interesting in applying to serve? Please complete the following application below by no later than July 31, 2023.

**CLICK HERE**

SoSILM NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

- Must be a member of SoSILM
- Members of the Nominations Committee may not hold leadership positions on other subcommittees of the section or be voting members of the SoSILM Executive Committee during their service.

**Candidate Criteria:**

Now Accepting Applications!
EQUITY AND ANTI-RACISM IN GLOBAL HEALTH – NEW VIRTUAL REALITY PRODUCT LAUNCHED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BODYSWAPS!

The AAP has introduced a new virtual reality training module, designed to provide a psychologically safe space where healthcare professionals can explore their implicit biases and motivations before embarking on global health experiences.

Learners have the option to participate on a VR headset, web/PC, or mobile device via software app installation and an Internet connection.

A special thanks to all the AAP Virtual Reality Task Force members for developing the module in partnership with Bodyswaps:

- Dr. Demarco Bowen, MD, MPH
- Dr. Todd P. Chang, MD, MAcM
- Dr. Katherine DW Donowitz, MD
- Dr. Arshia Madni, MD, FAAP
- Dr. Uchechi Oddiri, MD, FAAP
- Dr. Frinny Polanco Walters, MD, MPH
- Dr. Samreen Vora, MD, MHAM
- Dr. Marjorie Lee White, MD, MPPM, MA, FAAP, FACEP

Watch a short trailer to this exciting training module here.

To learn more about this product and to purchase the module, click here.

Summer 2023 AAP Advocacy Report

On behalf of the federal and state advocacy team, we’re pleased to share with you the Summer 2023 AAP Advocacy Report which summarizes AAP’s recent federal and state advocacy activities all in one place.
Member Spotlight

Lauren Nelson, MD
Section on Physician Trainee Liaison to the SoSILM Executive Committee

The Editorial Team is grateful to Lauren for her willingness to be interviewed and highlighted for our Q2 newsletter, we hope you enjoy her insights. Lauren is a second year PEM fellow with interests in processes and simulation.

Why did you get involved with SoSILM leadership?
LN: I served on the executive committee for the AAP section on trainees during my residency and had been involved as a medical student as well. I worked closely planning the mentorship speed dating event at the national conference in New Orleans.

What excites you about this role? How do we better involve trainees and younger faculty?
LN: I think trainees would be very interested in the projects the EC is working on (as well as getting involved), specifically creating the national simulation curriculum for pediatric trainees. Finding mentorship is always helpful, and Marjorie White has been instrumental in guiding me toward this position. Trainee engagement is very important and as I think it can be challenging given their limited time. I plan on making an effort as a young faculty to involve trainees more and I would encourage everyone to mentor more junior learners.

How has being involved with multiple AAP subsections shape your training or changed your projected career path?
LN: Being involved with INSPIRE has opened my eyes to all the various projects happening within the world of simulation. I think it has given me a more global view, especially of local projects. I find myself wondering how certain projects could be applied to a multicenter model. I was also surprised to learn how differently simulation is implemented at other places.

How do we recruit more trainees to SoSILM?
LN: I think if we integrated with SoECP (section on early career physicians) more we could increase our membership. I think its important to highlight projects that are overlapping. I think we should distribute the newsletter to trainees not in the subsection.

What barriers are there to trainee involvement in sim?
LN: I think there is a barrier of expected knowledge that can be somewhat nebulous. Better understanding of what the barrier of entry to help would be.

What advice do you have other trainees contemplating being involved in AAP leadership?
LN: I would encourage anyone interested in being involved to go for it! Part of gaining experience is showing up, learning what’s going on, and figuring out what you’d like to be a part of. I think having a mentor is incredibly helpful. I’m lucky to have Marjorie who helps me understand what’s going on, and how I can be involved. I also think locally it can be helpful to shadow faculty running simulations.

We appreciate Lauren’s candor and willingness to be interviewed. We wish her the best in her remaining training and look forward to her future accomplishments.
Project Updates

Clinical Event Debriefing: MOC Part 4 Activity (WHiCED)

After a successful pilot of the WHiCED framework, a formal proposal for the next steps of project implementation is in development. We look forward to sharing more information in the future about a full project roll out.

Simulation Resources

New Resource! Digital AAP Advocacy Guide

The Academy’s new digital Advocacy Guide provides AAP members with the information, tools and resources they need to be effective child health advocates. The guide offers an in-depth look at different advocacy skills, from choosing an issue and crafting an effective advocacy message to communicating with lawmakers or using the media to amplify your efforts. The guide is designed for advocates at all levels – with interactive tools and practical guidance to help shape your own advocacy journey.

Visit the full guide at aap.org/AdvocacyGuide – which will continue to expand in the months ahead!

As the pandemic news coverage has wound down, we are seeing a return to more typical interview requests from media outlets who wish to speak with pediatric experts on myriad medical topics. If you are asked to do an interview as an AAP representative, it is important for them to let us know in Public Affairs before agreeing to do the interview. We review and vet all interview requests and provide support to AAP spokespersons. If you are unsure about their role or are being asked to refer a media request to colleagues, please have them call us in Public Affairs, as we can help field the request and identify appropriate spokespersons. AAP has designated “spokespersons” who meet specific criteria. Here is a resource in the AAP News Room that you are welcome to share with members: AAP Spokesperson Guidelines

If someone is contacted for an interview on behalf of their own institution, they will likely want to check with their own public affairs team on site. We’re happy to answer any questions, so please don’t hesitate to reach out to any of us.

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Quick Contacts

AAP Simulation group on LinkedIn – JOIN US! https://www.linkedin.com/groups/14147293/
Announcements

2023 Abstracts

Thank you to all who submitted abstracts for consideration at NCE 2023 and to the abstract review team. Here are the final abstracts that were accepted to NCE this year.

SOSILM Poster Professor Rounds will occur at NCE on **Sunday, October 22nd** – WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

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Upcoming Meetings

- **SimGHOSTS USA**, August 1-4, 2023, Omaha, Nebraska

- **AAP National Conference & Exhibition** (AAP NCE), October 20-24, 2023, Washington D.C.

  H3022: Joint Program: Section on Simulation and Innovative Learning Methods, Section on Internal Medicine and Pediatrics and Committee on Continuing Medical Education

  **The Medical Educator's Digital Toolbox**

  **Sunday, October 22, 2023**

- **9:00AM** Section on Med-Peds Oral Presentations
  - Moderator: Kristin Wong, MD, FAAP, FACP

- **9:35AM** Introductions: Welcome from SOMP and SOSILM for joint program*
  - Moderators: Kristin Wong, MD, FAAP, FACP; Dennis Daniel, MD, FAAP

- **9:40AM** Telehealth Best Practices for the Professional & The Learner
  - David Kaelber, MD, MPH, FAAP

- **10:15AM** Social Media in Medicine
  - Toby Terwilliger, MD, FAAP

- **10:30AM** Expert panel, Q/A session
  - Moderator: Kristin Wong, MD, FAAP, FACP
  - Faculty: David Kaelber, MD, MPH, FAAP and Toby Terwilliger, MD, FAAP

- **11:30AM** Lunch*

- **12:30PM** The Digital Educators Toolbox – small group break-out sessions
  - Moderator: Dennis Daniel, MD, FAAP
  - Faculty: Traci Wolbrink, MD, MPH, FAAP; Tony Tarchichi, MD, FAAP; Rahul Damania, MD; Patricia Tran, MD, MS, FAAP

- **2:00PM** Section on Simulation and Innovative Learning Methods Meeting*
  - Moderator: Marjorie Lee White, MD, MPPM, MA, FAAP, FACEP

- **2:10PM** The Lou Halamek Pediatric Simulation Excellence Award*
  - Award presenter: Lou Halamek, MD, FAAP

- **2:30PM** Section on Simulation and Innovative Learning Methods Oral Presentations
  - Moderator: Theodora (Lola) Stavroudis, MD, FAAP

- **3:00PM** Adjourn to Poster Hall *

*This portion of the agenda is not designated for CME credit.

- **SIM Expo**, December 11-12, 2023, Ottawa, Ontario
Editor’s Corner

Fascinating article on the specific usage of AI in simulation: “Using ChatGPT in Medical Education for Virtual Patient and Cases”. Check out the link below:


Let’s hear from you!

The SoSILM communications committee would like to hear about exciting research, projects, or innovations related to simulation and innovative learning methods. Fill out this short communications intake form to enter your work to be highlighted in a future SoSILM newsletter edition.

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