

Pediatric Interest Group

The Pediatric Interest Group introduces medical students to the unique field of Pediatrics and Medicine-Pediatrics. The organization is designed to expand your knowledge of critical issues in the field of Pediatrics. Along with furthering your education, we offer numerous opportunities to serve the public and children through community-oriented projects. Some of these projects give you practical training interacting with pediatric populations!

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Upcoming Events

House Calls for Kids

House Calls for Kids is an exciting venture started four years ago in collaboration with Children's Hospital. This program allows first and second year medical students to give a presentation to Head Start Programs and daycare centers. The purpose of the presentations is to familiarize children to visiting their doctor and to dispel some of their fears. This is accomplished by using dolls to demonstrate what will happen at the doctor's office and to let them see some of the instruments used.

The script used for presentations may be accessed [here](#). We have also included a document with common phrases and vocabulary in Spanish by clicking [here](#).

Buddies Program

This program is designed to improve the physical and emotional health of chronically ill children at The Nebraska Medical Center. This is done by providing an additional source of support for both the child and their families. Students will be matched with a chronically ill child and will be expected to arrange weekly times to visit. This may be arranged through the Child Life Specialists. During the visit, medical students are expected to read books, play games, do craft activities, and even accompany the patient to different procedures. This is done in a strictly supportive manner.

Membership

Membership is open to anyone interested in the field of pediatrics or medicine/pediatrics. There are NO dues! All you need to do is come and join the fun!

2009-2010 Officers

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