



**Society for Pediatric Research (SPR)
SPR President
Roles & Responsibilities, Selection & Terms Policy**

The purpose of this policy is to define the roles and responsibilities of the SPR President positions.

President: The President serves as the chief elected Member leader of the Society

Responsibilities

- Act as chief ambassador for Society vision, mission and strategy; generate enthusiasm and active support among Council, Members and Collaborative Partners
- With the Executive Director and Sr. Association Director oversee strategic plan development and implementation
- Chair Executive Council and Council meetings; Appoint task forces, as needed
- Host / attend Society events at the PAS Meeting and Regional SPR events, as needed
- Represent SPR in several groups/venues including but not limited to:
 - APS-SPR Board of Directors
 - European Society for Pediatric Research Meeting
 - Japan Pediatric Society Meeting
 - PAS Program Committee
 - SPR Physician Scientist Award Committee
- Ensure a smooth leadership transition to President-elect

Term

- One three-year term from June 1 to May 31 as follows: President-elect (year 1); President (year 2) Past President (year 3).
- In the event of resignation, death, disability or unwillingness to discharge responsibilities while President, the current President-elect shall automatically succeed

Eligibility

- Member in Good Standing upon nomination, at election, and throughout term

Support

- Travel: Unless provided by a host or other organization, SPR funds transportation, room, and meals related to events where the SPR President's attendance is required

- Operations: Direction and implementation is provided by SPR staff

President-elect: The President-elect supports the President and prepares to assume the role of President

Responsibilities

- Develop a complete understanding of Society vision, mission and strategy
- Support the President in his/her efforts to generate enthusiasm and support among Council, Members and Collaborative Partners
- Attend Executive Council and Council meetings
- Attend Society events at the PAS Meeting and Regional SPR events, as requested
- Represent SPR on the:
 - PAS Program Committee
 - SPR Physician Scientist Award Committee (chair)
 - SPR/JPS Fostering Leadership Program Committee (chair)
 - APS SPR Board of Directors
- As requested, serve on and/or lead committees or workgroups or serve as SPR representative
- Ensure a smooth leadership transition to President.

Term

- One three-year term from June 1 to May 31 as follows: President-elect (year 1); President (year 2) Past President (year 3).
- In the event of resignation, death, disability, or unwillingness to discharge responsibilities by the President, the current President-elect shall automatically succeed

Eligibility

- Member in Good Standing upon nomination, at election and throughout term

Support

- Travel: SPR funds transportation, room, and meals related to Fall Council.
 - If representing SPR in the absence of the SPR President, support extended to the President will be directed to the President-elect
- Operations: Direction and implementation is provided by SPR staff

Past President: The Past President supports the President and President-elect.

Responsibilities

- Support the President in his/her efforts to generate enthusiasm and support among Council, Members and Collaborative Partners for the Society's vision, mission and strategy
- Attend Executive Council and Council meetings and Society events at the PAS Meeting and Regional SPR events, as requested
- Serve as Chair of the Nominating Committee; as requested, serve on and/or lead committees or workgroups or serve as SPR representative

Term

- One three-year term from June 1 to May 31 as follows: President-elect (year 1); President (year 2) Past President (year 3).

Eligibility

- Member in Good Standing upon nomination, at election and throughout term

Support

- Travel: SPR funds transportation, room, and meals related to Fall Council.

Election: The President is selected by vote of SPR Members through a duly called and conducted SPR election.

Resignation: Any individual in a presidential position:

- May voluntarily resign at any time by submitting a notice in writing to the Strategy and Operations Officer.
- Who is no longer a Member in Good Standing will be understood to have resigned.
- Who is absent for three or more consecutive Executive Council or Council meetings may be understood to have resigned, unless a notice of extenuating circumstances has been provided to the Society's Executive Director or Senior Association Director. A determination of resignation will be made at the sole discretion of Executive Council and communicated to the office holder.