Welcome to AAPD 2017 in Washington, D.C.! Washington is a dynamic city known for not only its rich history and monuments but also its growing restaurant scene and beautiful location right on the Potomac River.

This year, we will all fit under one roof at the Gaylord National Hotel and Convention Center located right on the banks of the Potomac River, footsteps away from the Capital Waterfront. The National Harbor is home to the Capital Wheel, which takes you 180 feet high with breathtaking views of the Capitol, White House and the National Mall. Take a boat ride down the Potomac River, getting a close-up view of the monuments including the Washington Monument, Lincoln Memorial and Jefferson Memorial. Shuttles will be available to visit the National Mall and experience the history of our wonderful city.

On behalf of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and the Local Arrangements Committee, we are honored to be your hosts for an exciting and educational 70th Annual Session. The Scientific Program Committee has worked diligently to develop a program that incorporates local talent from some of the leading medical and dental practitioners and researchers in the country. As always, there will be a strong educational balance encompassing pulp therapy, caries management, orthodontics to practice management, staff enrichment and outliers we see but don’t often discuss, such as; abuse, neglect, street drugs and overdose. We guarantee that there is something for everyone.

We wanted to thank John Rutkauskas, and the AAPD staff of Tonya Almond, Kristi Casale, Jessica Parra and Colleen Bingle for helping design great events throughout the city. If you have not been to Washington, D.C., or if you are returning, you and your family are guaranteed an excellent experience! Mark your calendars now and join us at the AAPD Annual Session in Washington D.C., May 25 – 28, 2017.

Welcome to Washington, D.C.!
Preconference Course

Frenums to Pacifiers
Thursday, May 25

With the AAPD’s successful messaging on the Dental Home (age 1 dental visit), pediatric dentists are confronting issues of toddler dental care daily; in fact it takes up major portion of the pediatric dentist’s morning office hours. Providing oral health care to this cohort requires a special knowledge of diagnostic factors and treatment techniques not inherent in the treatment of the rest of our patients.

Learning Objectives

• Review the clinical importance of growth and development in the comprehensive evaluation of the infant and toddler
• Provide evidence based guidelines on the management of ankyloglossia and the maxillary frenum as they relate to breast feeding and oral development
• Explore the importance of the developing airway and tongue posture in the growth and development of the oro-facial complex
• Understand how non-nutritive sucking habits can affect oral development and occlusal disharmony
• Learn how to identify and manage developing malocclusions in the primary dentition

Speakers
David Tesini, D.M.D., M.S.
Bobak Ghaheri, M.D.
Scott Rickert, M.D., Facs
German Ramirez-Yanez, D.D.S., M.D., S.C, Ph.D., FRCD
Josh Wiseman, M.S.

Opening Ceremony & Keynote Address

Mel Robbins
Friday, May 26

Meet Mel Robbins. Mel is a third generation entrepreneur, a married mother of three, and here’s a fun fact – she used to be a public defender representing violent felons in New York City.

She’s no longer arguing reasonable doubt to a jury; she’s teaching people around the world about the power of learning to push ourselves and how to break our habit of self-doubt.

You may have seen Mel’s TedX Talk “How To Stop Screwing Yourself Over,” which has racked up over 10M views across social channels in 37 countries, and is climbing by the hour. Perhaps you’ve seen her on TV, she’s one of CNN’s senior legal and social commentators. Or on the pages of SUCCESS Magazine, where she is a contributing leadership editor.

AAP Abstract Submission Deadlines
Jan. 17, 2017

NuSmile Graduate Student Research Awards (GSRA)
My Kid’s Dentist Research Poster Competition
2018 Sunstar Research Fellowship

The Sunstar/AAPD Postgraduate Research Fellowship Program was established for the purpose of promoting and supporting innovative research by residents in pediatric dentistry. The Sunstar Research Fellowships are possible through the generous support of Sunstar Americas, Inc. Up to three pediatric dental residents are selected each year to receive a yearlong research fellowship. The AAPD Council on Scientific Affairs selects the recipients on a competitive basis from eligible submissions. Each award will be made by July 5, 2017, and will provide up to $7,500 of funding. Recipients are required to present their research results at the AAPD 2018, May 25 - 28, in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Career Fair
Saturday, May 27
3:30 – 5:30 pm

The Annual Career Fair is a great opportunity for a new pediatric dentist seeking their first practice position or the more experienced pediatric dentist who is looking for a change to network with hiring organizations. The Career Fair is a personal and dynamic way of connecting with members of the Academy.

Space is limited! For more information, visit http://www.aapd.org/annual or contact Meetings and Exhibits Associate Colleen Bingle at (312) 337-2169 or cbingle@aapd.org. The cost to participate for AAPD Members is $150; for recruiting companies the price is $500.