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Dear Doctor

I would like personally to invite you to join the North American Society of Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology (NASPAG). This Society was formed in Washington in 1986 and the first issue of the new journal will be sent this month. The Society is devoted to improving the exchange of information among clinicians who are concerned about the medical care of pediatric and adolescent gynecology patients.

With the increased awareness concerning problems in young females that relate to sexual abuse, sexually transmitted diseases, nutrition and dieting, contraception, obstetric care and myriads of other health care issues, the necessity for health care professionals to band together and form a society was mandated. Currently our membership is divided evenly between obstetricians-gynecologists and pediatricians, internists, and adolescent medicine physicians and thus, the society offers an opportunity for dialogue between these two groups.

The journal--Adolescent and Pediatric Gynecology--under the editorship of Paul McDonough, M.D. and the managing editorship of Joseph Sanfilippo, M.D. has an international and national editorial board to help in producing the journal on a quarterly basis. This unique publication has articles that include such subjects as molecular genetics in sexual differentiation, neuroendocrinology, the management of pelvic inflammatory disease, the evaluation and management of pediatric vaginal discharges, and many other subjects as they relate to the delivery of health care to the young female patient. I've enclosed the front page from the first issue.

This year our third annual meeting will be held in Houston, Texas on September 30 - October 1, 1988. A postgraduate course will be given in conjunction with the annual meeting and research papers and will be co-sponsored by the Baylor College of Medicine.

I plan to have a resource table at the SAM meeting in New York with a copy of the journal and additional application blanks. Please feel free to find me or Bob Brown (also on the NASPAG Membership Committee) either at the table, at the seminar on menstrual disorders which is co-sponsored by NASPAG, or at the coffee breaks.

Membership in our society is unique and meaningful. We invite you to join us in participating in the activities of this society. The membership dues include a subscription to the journal, a newsletter, and a membership roster for referrals. Please fill out the enclosed application form and return it to David Muram, M.D., our Treasurer, with your membership fee.

We look forward to welcoming you into the membership of this organization.

Sincerely yours,

S. Jean Emans, M.D. Chairman, Membership Committee

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