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Dear Doctor Smith:

I have been asked by the Board of the newly founded North American Society of Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology to help develop a joint program in pediatric and adolescent gynecology at your forthcoming annual clinical meeting. This organization intends to be multidisciplinary in that its membership includes practitioners of obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics and family practice. We have already made arrangements with the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists to co-sponsor a half day symposium on the subject of pediatric and adolescent gynecology at their annual meeting. We are currently negotiating with the American Academy of Family Practice to do the same, and it is hoped that the American Academy of Pediatrics would be equally interested. As a member of AAP and as a gynecologist working at a children's hospital, I am well aware of the lack of gynecologic input in the training of pediatricians and the continuing educational programs of most practicing pediatricians. Therefore, I feel quite strongly that adding a session on gynecology would be a valuable addition to the material presented at your annual clinical meeting.

I hope you agree that this will be a worthwhile endeavor. If you do, then please let me know how I may proceed to expedite this liason.

Warmest personal regards.

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