

## **AAP Section on Uniformed Services**

***Mission:*** *The Mission of the AAP Section on Uniformed Services is to:*

- *educate (in a variety of formats) both uniformed service and civilian pediatricians (and others who care for children) on general and military-related pediatric issues*
- *develop policy*
- *recruit/mentor new members*
- *advise the AAP leadership on uniformed service- unique topics*

*all to ultimately improve the health and well-being of infants, children, adolescents and young adults.*

On-going Section activities to which the Section reaffirmed commitment:

- Serve as experts/educate in the area of bio/chemical terrorism
- Continue USPS and Humanitarian Assistance Course
- Provide career advice to medical students – publish the Military Residency Training Catalog
- Participate in the National Conference and Exhibition (NCE) by submitting educational proposals for the general pediatrician in concert with other Sections and by bestowing the Ogden Bruton Lectureship at the USPS
- Section newsletter/list serv's

New Priorities for the Section:

- Serve as a clearinghouse for innovative educational programs/models that can be shared with other institutions across our country and the world
- Provide deployment resources for families
- Further blend service boundaries (Army, Navy, Air Force, Public Health Service)
- Communicate more effectively to the AAP and pediatric community the unique role that uniformed service pediatricians play and how they can enhance policy, education and training on many levels
- Nominate section members for national committees
- Serve as a clearinghouse to identify pediatric subspecialists and pediatric surgical specialists who are on duty over-seas as resources for the AAP and Section members
- Serve as a clearinghouse for back-fill needs/other reservist needs
- Develop closer relations with Chapters
- More leadership training/mentoring of young military pediatricians and recruit young members to the Section.