**Membership Benefits**

https://ipala.org/

**SETTING THE DIRECTION FOR IPALA**

IPALA is a new organization, established to fill a gap in the global professional pediatric community related to fostering capacity and quality in pediatric and child health education, research and service. We encourage your ideas and commitment through participation:

* As a delegate the Governing Council.
* Election to the Executive Committee.
* On specific task groups related to the strategic priorities.

**BUILDING NETWORK CAPACITY**

* We facilitate building sustainable networks of like-minded colleagues around the globe.
* Members with interest in developing global initiatives in education, research, service, or administration can be connected through IPALA.
* IPALA focuses on connections that strengthen south-south relationships and north-south partnerships that achieve equitable academic opportunity.

**ACCESS TO ACADEMIC COURSES AND RESOURCES**

* Share best practice and leadership skills through our “Leadership Academy”
* Build capacity and provide education resources to support high quality training.
* Linking global educators to share knowledge, programs, and resources, virtually and through faculty exchange programs.
* Linking global research centers and individual investigators to strengthen infrastructure and investigator capacity and support equitable research collaboration.

**THE ORGANIZATION OF ACADEMIC PEDIATRICS**

Developing strong academic pediatric organizations will support sustained focus on the needs of children and youth at country and regional levels. IPALA will link academic departments and leaders to support:

* Pediatric and broader child health human resource planning.
* Building leadership skills through mentorship and providing linkages that support colleagues in their career development.
* Advancing organizational structures for impact at university, hospital, and community level.
* Achieving equity in relationships among institutions.
* Engagement and representation of academic pediatrics in global organizations and initiatives.
* Building strength in global exchanges.

**YOUR PARTICIPATION IS OF GREAT VALUE**

* Volunteer for IPALA committees or leadership roles.
* Contribute to the quarterly newsletter or social media links.
* Attend and contribute to the in-person/virtual IPALA Forum held in Conjunction with the International Pediatric Congress held every two years.
* Attend and contribute to in-person/virtual Forums that IPALA will develop based on membership interest and needs.