Friends,

Mark your calendars for the 2027 PHSG Annual Meeting!
Montreal, Canada, May 14th-15th, 2027

Meeting Theme: **Stronger Together: Advancing Pediatric Hand Care Through Collaboration and Connection**

Similar to last year, in addition to scientific abstracts, we want to give our community an opportunity to discuss our latest thoughts and techniques, important learning cases, and puzzling complications.

The first day of the meeting (Friday) will be a joint session between surgeons and therapists where we will present scientific abstracts and hear from our exciting guest speakers. *(For both surgeons and therapists submitting scientific abstracts, please select the Research/Scientific option from the Abstract Category dropdown menu.)*

The second day of the meeting (Saturday) will include separate breakout sessions for surgeons and therapists. We want these breakout sessions to be engaging discussions about novel surgical techniques, interesting cases and complications from surgeons and therapists, exciting hand therapy techniques, feedback for challenging cases. We will build panels around your submissions to promote robust discussion!

Scientific and clinical research will be prioritized over literature-based reviews. Please see below for a description of each Abstract Category:

Scientific Report

Basic science, clinical outcome studies and database studies (ie. CoULD, TriNetX, etc).

Case Report

Interesting surgical cases that would be helpful for fellow surgeons. Surgical complications that were puzzling or great learning opportunities.

Emerging Ideas

Important ideas that may influence our understanding of various pediatric hand surgery topics. This could include your viewpoints on what we are doing right or wrong in pediatric hand surgery.

Surgical Techniques

We intend for this category to be heavily video or photo based. It does not have to be a groundbreaking procedure, but we always receive feedback from our attendees that they want to see how other surgeons are doing specific cases. If you have a great video

about your pollicization technique, post-traumatic elbow reconstruction, plexus dissection, or any other case, please take advantage of this exciting abstract category!

Therapy Cases & Techniques

Therapist breakout sessions are an opportunity to share interesting pediatric hand therapy cases, innovative ideas, and practical strategies in a collaborative environment with fellow pediatric therapists. We invite therapists to submit proposals that showcase the breadth and creativity of pediatric hand therapy practice. Submissions may include interesting or complex case studies, novel or creative treatment approaches, helpful tips and tricks, orthosis designs, clinical problem-solving, or other ideas that may be useful to fellow therapists.

Proposals may be presentation-based, discussion-focused, or hands-on/technique demonstrations, and we welcome a variety of formats that encourage interaction and shared learning. Our goal is to create a collaborative environment where therapists can bring their experiences, learn from one another, ask questions, and leave with new ideas to apply in practice.

Allotted time: 15 minutes. Submissions should include details of the topic, case or technique in addition to the proposed presentation style.

Abstract Deadline: January 15, 2027
Website to submit your abstract:
https://pediatrichandstudygroup.org/abstracts/

Registration and other meeting details:
https://pediatrichandstudygroup.org/event/annual-meeting/

One benefit of PHSG membership is a discounted annual meeting registration fee – check out our website www.pediatrichandstudygroup.org for more information. Membership applications are due **December 31, 2027**.

Registration Important Dates:
Member Registration will open: January 1, 2027
Non-member Registration will open: February 1, 2027
Registration will close: March 15, 2027

Brief Agenda:
Thursday, May 13th, 2027: Evening social meet-up for early arrivals
Friday, May 14th, 2027: Academic Program 7 AM – 4 PM followed by social/dinner at Siboire Microbrewery
Saturday, May 15th, 2027: Academic Program 7 AM – 1 PM
Checkpoint Surgical and Materialize will serve as corporate sponsors this year. There will be optional 15-minute lectures provided by each of the sponsors during the meeting.

Accommodations in Montreal:
Residence Inn: $279 CAD/night
Place d'Armes: $399 CAD/night
Hôtel Monville: $299 CAD/night
Possibly the Westin as an additional option

We are looking forward to having our founder's lecture which will be an interview style format with **Peter Waters!**

Join us for a weekend of education, connection, and collaboration!

Venue:
CHU Sainte-Justine Hospital (Université de Montréal), Montreal, Quebec, Canada
Local Hosts: Mathilde Hupin MD, and Emilie Bougie MD
Program Co-Chairs: Meagan Pehnke CHT, Stephanie Russo MD/PhD, and Shaun Mendenhall MD