

Core Session Information for AAP Section, Councils and Committees

The National Conference Planning Group has designated a number of pre-accepted “Core Sessions” which will *not* need to be submitted as a new proposal. The below list of sessions will be automatically accepted and slated into the 2024 program. The Planning Group will select and invite faculty for Core Sessions in collaboration with AAP sections & councils.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. How are core sessions determined?

The National Conference Planning Group reviewed the history of the conference to determine which sessions are hosted on a consistent basis and to determine the list of core sessions.

2. What is the purpose of core sessions?

The planning group recognizes the work that the sections, councils, committees, and others put in to propose sessions for the National Conference each year.

Core sessions are meant to:

- decrease the duplicative work for section and council planners; and
- shift the focus of planners and proposers to new and/or novel topics while maintaining consistently held sessions.

3. I don't see a topic or session listed that I think is important, why not?

Core sessions are about decreasing the workload on sessions that are *consistently held*. Some topics may have a more varied history or less predictability. This does not make them less important, just less consistent, and not appropriate for a core session.

4. Who will determine faculty, descriptions, and learning objectives?

The planning group will be working on content for each core session based upon the history and will reach out, as appropriate, to sections and councils. Once session proposals are reviewed and selected, the planning group will determine faculty for all sessions—both accepted session proposals and core sessions—with the same process used in the past.

5. Will this happen every year?

The planning group will be reviewing the list of core sessions each year before the Call for Session Proposals.

6. I have more questions, who can help?

The National Conference education team is happy to help! Reach out to nce@aap.org with further questions. Otherwise, specific educational needs for the National Conference under a certain topic can be discussed with your planning group liaison.