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AAP Presidential Candidates





Lou Dr. Racine

Committee chooses two candidates for AAP president-elect

The AAP National Nominating Committee has selected Lily J. Lou, M.D., FAAP, of Palos Park, Ill., and Andrew D. Racine, M.D., PhD., FAAP, of Bronx, N.Y., as candidates for AAP president-elect. The winner will serve as president in 2026. Voting begins on Sept. 11 and ends on Sept. 25.

Upcoming Educational Opportunities/Meetings/Events



NATIONAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Registration is now open for the 2024 AAP National Conference & Exhibition, taking place on September 27-October 1, in Orlando, FL. The conference schedule also is available. Be sure to check it out and see everything the National Conference has to offer.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION



Resources

Firearm Injury SIG Latest News & Opportunities

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Gun violence kills equivalent of bus full of children each week

A standard school bus in the U.S. holds 50 to 60 kids. Imagine if one school bus full of children crashed each week, killing every child on board. Tragically, an average of 68 youth ages 1-19 years were killed by a gun each week between 2011 and 2021, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Who among us could ever have imagined that firearms would be the single leading cause of death for kids in the U.S.? AAP President Benjamin D. Hoffman, MD, FAAP, urges members to advocate for firearm injury prevention in his June column in AAP News.

Newborn Hearing Texting Information

A hearing loss diagnosis can be scary and overwhelming for parents of infants and toddlers. That's why Bright by Text, the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, and the HATCH Lab at Idaho State University have teamed up to offer the HEAR program.

This free texting program puts trusted information into the hands of families with children who have – or may have – hearing loss. Please see the attached informational sheet for additional details.

Book Corner

Proud Book: I Like Myself by Karen Beaumont

Suggested by Kim Hemmert, Idaho Trust Fund - She likes it because it talks about all different (and silly) reasons to like ourselves. It's relatable, funny and it rhymes. One line says, "I like myself because I'm me." It's such a good confidence boost.

New AAP Breastfeeding Book



New Edition of AAP Guide Helps Moms Achieve Breastfeeding Success
New moms will learn how to give their babies the healthiest possible start
with the fully revised and updated 4th edition of New Mother's Guide to
Breastfeeding. It presents comprehensive, evidence-based information on
topics such as preparing for the first feeding, pumping and storing milk,
establishing a nursing routine, returning to work, and more. New to this
edition is a chapter for mothers who experience breastfeeding challenges,
updated AAP policy recommendations, new AAP guidance regarding safe
sleep and management of jaundice, and more. Visit aap.org/shopAAP to
order—and save up to 50% off when you order in quantities to share.