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Advocating for Kids

Disaster Preparedness and Response Mailing Feedback

We receive the following response to our recent disaster preparedness mailing to Idaho hospitals.

Thank you for your thoughtful donation! The items will be used in our Emergency Department to give to pediatric patients. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Idaho Voices for Children Luncheon

We have purchased a table for the Children's Champion Luncheon on Thursday, September 12, and have some spaces available. Please let me know if you would like to join us for this event.



The banner features the text "2024 CHILDREN'S CHAMPION LUNCHEON: Voices for the Future" in large, bold, green and black letters. Below the text is a green hill with silhouettes of children playing. To the right, a yellow circular badge says "TICKETS ON SALE NOW". Below the badge is a photo of a woman, with the text "Honoring Nora Carpenter" underneath.

If you would like additional information regarding this event, please click on the following link:

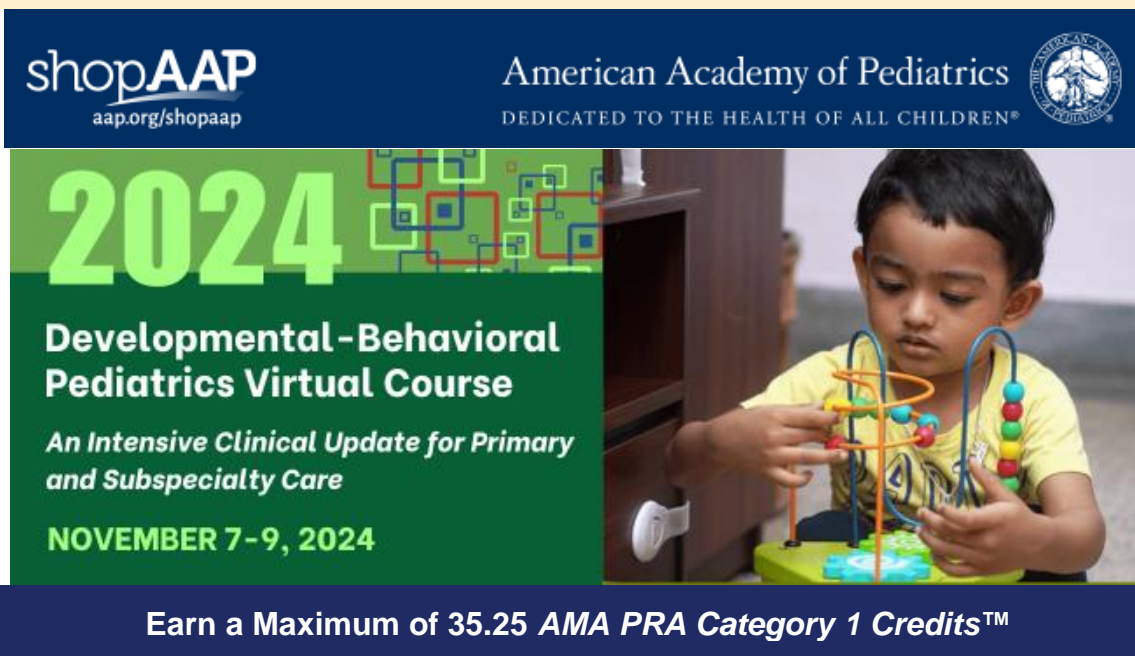
[2024 Children's Champion Luncheon - Idaho Voices](#)

Upcoming Educational Opportunities/Meetings/Events

AAP recruiting for an ECHO focused on poverty

The AAP Addressing Poverty Through Community Transformation ECHO will engage pediatricians interested in the social drivers of health who would like to take the first steps toward joining forces with community partners working to transform low-income neighborhoods. The ECHO will meet monthly at 1 p.m. CT on the third Thursday of each month starting Sept. 19. Learn more here and register here.

2024 Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics Virtual Course



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The 2024 [Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics Virtual Course: An Intensive Clinical Update for Primary and Subspecialty Care](#), taking place virtually on November 7-9, is designed to meet your needs. The course has been designed with content and specific presentations to meet the educational needs of primary care and subspecialist pediatricians and focuses on current information that can be employed immediately in their daily practices.

If you are a primary care pediatrician experiencing an increase in patients presenting to your practice with various Developmental-Behavioral concerns or a Developmental-Behavioral subspecialist interested in staying current in the field or preparing for recertification, this course is for you!

Like all AAP CME courses, this virtual course offers top-quality educational content in a virtual setting. The virtual format incorporates both pre-course on-demand presentations and real-time participation and interaction with expert faculty through general sessions, breakout sessions and question-and-answer sessions. Together, they provide *the best pediatric CME/CPD for the best pediatric care.*

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Spotlight on a Member

Idaho AAP Leadership Changes

A big thank you to Andrea Prasch for serving as our secretary/treasurer for the past year. Andrea is focusing her clinic practice this fall on adolescents and will be serving on our executive committee as an at-large member, and will also serve as our chapter champion on adolescents. Brian Birch, a general pediatrician, will take over as secretary/treasurer this month.

Thank you, Andrea, for all your work and so glad you can help with all the issues that affect our adolescents.

Gracie Strubel will assume the role of resident representative for this resident year.

Resources

Youth Suicide Prevention: Test Your Knowledge

Is it safe to ask young people directly during a clinic visit if they are having thoughts of suicide? A new quiz at AAP.org asks this question and more about screening, assessment and next steps for care. Test your knowledge and learn about further considerations for caring for all patients at risk for suicide [here in the quiz](#).

Vaccine Report

Poll Shows Decline In US Adults Who Say It's Important To Get Children Vaccinated

[The Hill](#) (8/7) reports a Gallup [poll](#) published Wednesday shows “only 40 percent of U.S. adults said it is ‘extremely important’ for parents to vaccinate their children, a marked decline from the 58 percent who said the same in 2019 and the 64 percent who said the same in 2001.” This decline “is similarly stark when tracking the combined percentage who said vaccinating children is either ‘extremely’ or ‘very’ important,” with 69% of US adults holding this view compared to 84% in 2019 and 94% in 2001. The results “come as experts warn of the dangers of rising vaccine skepticism.”

AAP News: [AAP survey reveals barriers to routine immunizations](#)

BeSMART Idaho

Be SMART for Kids educates people on the importance of secure firearm storage and increases public awareness and voluntary adherence to its principles. For more information, please see attached information sheet.

Vot-ER Resources

Dr. Brian Birch shared with us a website with election resources. Here is the link if you would like information. [Resource Hub – Vot-ER](#)

Book Corner

Proud Book: *I Like Myself* by Hanna Eliot

Suggested by Sherry Iverson. Celebrate the many different caregivers in a child's life with this tender and inclusive board book. Families are different and caregivers can be mommy, grandpa or a sitter, but most importantly, they all will be there for kids.

Book Corner (cont.)

Breastfeeding Books

Here are books for breastfeeding recommended by AAP:

