

AAP Nevada Chapter

Spring 2016

Hello Colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that I write this welcome and unveil to you our brand new quarterly newsletter! It is the hope of your chapter leadership to provide an easy to read update on topics we believe will be of interest to you in the work you do, caring for Nevada's children.

Dr. Huang and I recently returned from the Annual Leadership Forum in Schaumburg, Illinois. We had the opportunity to network with AAP leadership, our fellow District VIII leaders, and the chairs of various sections, councils and committees. We are excited to bring back amazing ideas and interesting programs that we will be sharing with you over the next few months.

It is important to us that the Nevada chapter FAAPs feel a value in their membership. We will be working hard over the next year to achieve many new benefits, while continuing to provide our current programs such as the annual CME meeting in August.

We are currently in the planning stages to provide more coding and billing seminars, as well as focusing programs on child behavioral health and physician wellness. In addition, we will be working on a disaster preparedness plan to distribute to the membership as well.

Dr. Huang has put together this wonderful newsletter and got our Facebook page up and running. As social media is everywhere, we believe this will be a great tool to communicate with all of you and I applaud her efforts with this undertaking.

I'd like to take this time to personally thank each and every one of you for the amazing work you do every day to provide care to Nevada's most treasured resource and I look forward to another great year as a pediatrician in Nevada.

Yours in service,

Kami



Upcoming Events

August 12, 2016

Annual Chapter Meeting
Innovation Center, Las Vegas

October 22-25, 2016

National Conference and
Exhibition
San Francisco, CA

Important Announcements

Save the date: our annual chapter meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 12, 2016 at the Innovation Center. More information to follow!

Please visit and like our new Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/NevadaChapterAAP

News from the Chapter

Annual Leadership Forum (ALF) 2016

Chapter President and VP Drs. Larsen and Huang attended ALF this past March. ALF is the annual gathering of AAP leadership (chapter, section, committee, and council chairs) to discuss and vote on resolutions. A resolution is submitted by any FAAP and is the way to bring forth an idea, issue, or concern to AAP Board of Directors which will then drive the research and policy making for the AAP for the following year. 3 resolutions were submitted by the Nevada chapter this year and all 3 were passed on the consent calendar. This is an excellent achievement for our chapter! If you have any ideas for future resolutions or need help in writing one, please contact us.

Resolutions from Nevada chapter:

Limiting Activities Marketed Towards Children in Facilities for Adult Activities

Increased Access to Health Care for Children Living in Shelters

Sugar-sweetened Beverage (SSB) Advertising Effect on Health Outcomes: Metabolic Syndrome in Children and Adolescents

AAP Policy Corner

New AAP Policy Statement: Poverty and Child Health in the United States from the Council on Community Pediatrics

Abstract

Almost half of young children in the United States live in poverty or near poverty. The American Academy of Pediatrics is committed to reducing and ultimately eliminating child poverty in the United States. Poverty and related social determinants of health can lead to adverse health outcomes in childhood and across the life course, negatively affecting physical health, socioemotional development, and educational achievement. The American Academy of Pediatrics advocates for programs and policies that have been shown to improve the quality of life and health outcomes for children and families living in poverty. With an awareness and



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American Academy of Pediatrics

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HealthyChildren.org

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AAP National Conference and Exhibition 2016

<http://www.aapexperience.org/>

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AAP Policy Corner Continued

Understanding of the effects of poverty on children, pediatricians and other pediatric health practitioners in a family-centered medical home can assess the financial stability of families, link families to resources, and coordinate care with community partners. Further research, advocacy, and continuing education will improve the ability of pediatricians to address the social determinants of health when caring for children who live in poverty. Accompanying this policy statement is a technical report that describes current knowledge on child poverty and the mechanisms by which poverty influences the health and well-being of children.

For the full policy statement, please visit:
pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/early/2016/03/07/peds.2016-0339

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