Dear Members,

I am writing my first introduction to the FCAAP newsletter. First, I want to say thank you to all who supported me, and I plan to work hard for Florida’s children, families, and pediatric providers. A little bit about me: I have been practicing in Miami for over 20 years and currently work at Citrus Health Network, a non-for-profit behavioral health company that also provides primary care. I started over 12 years ago and was originally hired to provide care at a new pediatric clinic that was opened in Hialeah. I am proud to say that the clinic now has 7 providers, and we are busy! I also provide care to adolescents admitted to Citrus’ residential psychiatric unit, which includes care to victims of human trafficking. My interest has always been to care for the underserved and Citrus has been a great place for me!

I have been involved with the AAP for many years and becoming President of the Florida chapter has been a long-term goal. FCAAP just had a very successful meeting held in a hybrid format, The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022 at Disney’s Yacht & Beach Club Resorts in Orlando over Labor Day weekend. It was energizing to see so many in person and attain great CME at the same time. The resident and medical student activities were well attended by our up-and-coming doctors. Our new board members were inducted, and awards were presented to some of our Chapter’s state leaders. Thanks to everyone who attended.

We know this past year was quite trying with the Florida legislature passing bills such as the ‘Don’t say gay’ bill and the abortion bill, even though we had a few small successes. Please see the 2022 Legislative Session Summary on fcaap.org for more details. As the recent chair of the Legislative Committee, I want to say thank you to our staff, our lobbyist, national AAP and all of the members who were so involved in letter writing and meeting with legislators. Florida received national recognition more than once, especially our esteemed Immediate Past President Dr. Lisa Gwynn, for being a strong voice for children.

Our district, which includes Puerto Rico, Alabama, Georgia and Florida, wrote a resolution at the AAP Annual Leadership Conference to support pediatrician advocates experiencing adversity, stress, threats of violence and/or public attacks. This was voted to be the top resolution to be sent to the AAP board. Sad to say this is happening in many areas of the country, not just our home state.

Midterm elections are coming: Let’s encourage everyone to vote this November. It is important to vote for candidates that understand the issues and want the best for Florida’s children.

Thresia B. Gambon, MD, MBA, MPH, FAAP
President, FCAAP
FCAAP’S 2022 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
A RESOUNDING SUCCESS!

Thank you to all who attended FCAAP’s annual conference, The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022 (FPP2022), held September 2 – 4 at Disney’s Yacht & Beach Club Resorts in Orlando! With nearly 500 participants, both in-person and virtual, this year’s conference brought together leaders in the field of pediatrics not only from Florida, but also from across the nation and abroad. Featuring a wealth of educational and networking opportunities, fun and games, wellness activities, and of course, amazing food, FPP2022 cemented its reputation as the region’s best pediatric-focused conference and an event not to be missed!

The conference kicked off on Friday, September 2 with the Cardiometabolic Health Congress’ Pediatric Master Class, followed by an afternoon presentation from presenting partner Sarepta on Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. The Resident Forum — which featured FCAAP’s popular Brain Bowl competition, the inaugural Sim Wars competition, and poster presentations — was also a huge draw. The day concluded with a fabulous Family Reception, sponsored by Abbott Nutrition, that offered incredible food, dancing, games for the kids, a meet and greet with Disney Characters, and fun for the entire family!

The action continued Saturday with an invigorating Sunrise Yoga session, educational CME lectures on trending topics from top leaders in Pediatrics, a mandatory course, and a lunch presentation by partner Rhythm Pharmaceuticals. The popular Medical Student Research Forum also generated great excitement, featuring poster and oral presentations of student members’ original research judged by a panel of distinguished physicians and professors. The day also included additional opportunities to visit our incredible Partners in the physical and interactive virtual Exhibit Hall and a special dinner with new and outgoing board members.

Sunday started with an early-morning FCAAP Athlete meet-up in which participants completed the One-Mile Fun Run Strava Wellness Challenge together. More top-quality educational sessions followed, along with a lunch presentation from The Dairy Council of Florida, and a special awards ceremony where FCAAP officially installed its newly elected Board Members and named its 2022 Award Winners. The day concluded with a special informal book discussion to cap off conference wellness activities.

Thank you again to everyone who made The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022 a conference to remember! Details of the weekend’s events can be found in the following pages of this edition of FCAAP News. Mark your calendars now and join us September 1 – 3, 2023 at Disney’s Yacht & Beach Club Resorts for The Future of Pediatric Practice 2023. We’ll see you there!
MOVING FORWARD WITH FCAAP’S 2022-2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Chapter welcomed a new group of leaders to its Board of Directors during the annual conference, The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022. With the induction of these new leaders, some new to the Board and some new to these positions, the Chapter is in a strong position to continue serving as the voice of Florida’s pediatricians and as the expert on pediatrics in the State of Florida. Thank you for your willingness to step into these leadership roles despite the challenges, known and unknown, that await us!

- President — Thresia B. Gambon, MD, MBA, MPH, FAAP
- Vice President — Juan Felipe Rico, MD, FAAP
- Secretary — Rana Alissa, MD, FAAP
- Treasurer — Mark L. Hudak, MD, FAAP
- Immediate Past President — Lisa A. Gwynn, DO, MBA, MSPH, FAAP
- Region 2 Representative — Sanjeev Tuli, MD, M.Ed., FAAP
- Region 4 Representative — Debora Duro, MD, MS
- General Pediatrician at Large Representative — Betty Cheney Kelly, MD, MPH, FAAP
- Medical School Pediatric Department Chair Delegate — Patricia J. Emmanuel, MD, FAAP

Several members of the 2022 FCAAP Board of Directors will continue serving on the Board for another year, completing their terms in September 2023. The dedication of this group of Chapter leaders will help ensure the continued success of the Chapter. Thank you for your continued service to the Chapter, for the work you have already done on behalf of Florida’s children, and for the work you will do in the coming year!

- Region 1 Representative — Shaista Safder, MD, FAAP, Dipl. ABOM
- Region 3 Representative — Jennifer Takagishi, MD, FAAP
- Region 5 Representative — Robin Straus-Furlong, MD, FAAP
- Pediatric Subspecialist at Large Representative — John Morrison, MD, PhD

Click here to learn more about each of the Chapter’s newly elected leaders.
FCAAP celebrated the end of terms for the 2020-2022 officers and several of the members of the FCAAP Board of Directors during the Chapter's annual conference, The Future of Pediatric Practice. These dedicated members of the FCAAP community served as Chapter leaders on the Board despite numerous legislative battles, an unrelenting pandemic, and an ever-active political climate. The future of pediatrics has hope thanks to your dedicated service.

Thank you to the outgoing 2020–2022 Officers and Board of Directors Representatives and Delegates for your service to FCAAP your continued efforts on behalf of Florida’s children!

- President — Lisa A. Gwynn, DO, MBA, MSPH, FAAP
- Vice President — Thresia B. Gambon, MD, MBA, MPH, FAAP
- Secretary — Nicole Torres, MD, FAAP
- Treasurer — Juan Felipe Rico, MD, FAAP
- Immediate Past President — D. Paul Robinson, MD, FAAP
- Region 2 Representative — Ayesha Mirza, MD, FAAP, FPIDS
- Region 4 Representative — Judith Aronson-Ramos, MD, FAAP
- Medical School Pediatric Department Chair Delegate — Mark L. Hudak, MD, FAAP
- Ex Officio Allied Health Representative — Tiffany Poisson, PA-C
2022 SCHIEBLER ADVOCACY AWARD WINNER ANNOUNCED

The Audrey Lincourt Schiebler, RN, FAAP, and Gerold Schiebler, MD, FAAP, Advocacy Award is given annually to a physician who has worked beyond the profession, educated local and state legislators, and diligently advocated to improve the health and welfare of Florida’s children.

Mobeen H. Rathore, MD, CPE, FAAP, FPIDS, FSHEA, FIDSA, FACPE was presented the 2022 Schiebler Advocacy Award during FCAAP’s annual conference last month. Dr. Rathore, a former President of FCAAP, is a tenured Professor and Associate Chair at the University of Florida (UF), the Chief of Infectious Diseases and Immunology at Wolfson Children’s Hospital and UF, the Founding Director at UF CARES and Pediatric Infectious Diseases, and the Founding Division Chief of the Division of Hospital Medicine and General Academic Pediatrics at UF. Among other contributions, Dr. Rathore has played a major role for Jacksonville area hospitals during the COVID-19 pandemic, coordinating health care efforts and educating the public.

Congratulations on a well-deserved award, Dr. Rathore! Your role in improving pediatric health care in the State of Florida is appreciated more than can be expressed.
FCAAP ANNOUNCES AAP SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS

The AAP Special Achievement Awards are given annually to recognize the outstanding work of individuals within each AAP Chapter. Three recipients were selected for this distinction for their dedication and efforts within the Florida Chapter.

The first recipient is Brandon Chatani, MD, FAAP. Dr. Chatani was presented this award for providing expert guidance throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and helping FCAAP to educate Florida’s health care providers, educators, and caregivers.

The second recipient, Shannon Fox-Levine, MD, FAAP, was presented this award for a decade of service as the FCAAP Pediatric Council Chair and for serving as a strong advocate for appropriate Pay for Services on behalf of Florida’s private pediatric health care providers.

Mobeen Rathore, MD, CPE, FAAP, FPIDS, FSHEA, FIDSA, FACPE, was presented this award for volunteering countless hours providing expert guidance on COVID-19 related issues and for helping FCAAP advocate for the proper use of masks and increased access to vaccines.

Congratulations and thank you Drs. Chatani, Fox-Levine, and Rathore! Your efforts have not gone unnoticed and your contributions to pediatrics in the state of Florida is truly appreciated!
Dear Fellow Members,

What a treat it was to connect with peers around the state during The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022 (FPP2022) in early September. From masterful educational sessions and spectacular facilities to wonderful wellness activities, this grand event had it all. It’s amazing to witness how much the wellness program has grown!

During the conference weekend, attendees chose from a wide variety of wellness activities, all generously sponsored by our wellness partner Tobacco Free Florida. Attendees began their Saturday morning with an energizing Sunrise Yoga session with Stephanie Plucinsky from Project 7 Yoga. Later, we received a furry visit from three teams of therapy dogs provided by Be An Angel Therapy Dog Ministry. Caleb, Copper, and Macy befriended everyone who said hi and made sure to fill our day with pure love and joy.

On Sunday, FCAAP Athletes had a blast while completing the 2022 Fun Run Strava Challenge. After lunch and prior to the afternoon workshops, we had the opportunity to complete a powerful gratitude meditation with Certified Breath Coach Christina Pearce of Mind Body Social.

To conclude the wellness activities, attendees joined FCAAP Member Dr. Carolyn Marasco for an inspiring group discussion of the book “Physician Wellbeing During Sustained Crisis: Defusing Burnout, Building Resilience, Restoring Hope.” What an exceptional weekend!

The Wellness Series is an exclusive benefit for FCAAP members and an extended benefit to our peers in Michigan through a collaboration with MIAAP. As the fall series comes to an end, I thank all our engaging presenters for September’s online sessions for sharing their expertise: Dr. Zakie Alavi, Dr. Robin Warner, Dr. Lia Gaggino, Britney Moore, and Courtney Arndt, MT-BC.

Thank you to all the attendees of our Fall Wellness online sessions. If you missed any of the sessions, a series playlist is available here. You can also access the playlist and additional resources from the series through the Members-Only website.

We invite you to join the FCAAP Strava Club, an important part of FCAAP’s complimentary wellness program that provides an ongoing opportunity for members to network and encourage each other in their fitness journeys. Join me and all the FCAAP Athletes today.

Sincerely,

Rana Alissa, MD, FAAP
Secretary, FCAAP Board of Directors
FCAAP Wellness Ambassador
FCAAP PROJECTS

FCAAP is engaged in a variety of grant projects throughout the year with the help and leadership of its Committees, Task Forces, and members. Below is a list of current grant projects.

For more information on how to get involved or to start a new project, please contact FCAAP Program Coordinator Olivia Blakeman, oblakeman@fcaap.org.

**Vaccinate with Confidence**
*Status: Completed*
*Primary Leader: Dr. Claudia Gaviria*
*Associated Committee: Immunization*
*Focus: To increase influenza vaccination rates in the pediatric population (age 6 months – 18 years old) and to reduce vaccine hesitancy in caregivers at two University of South Florida associated clinics through direct educational intervention.*

**Project FirstLine**
*Status: Current*
*Primary Leader: IPC Ambassador Dr. Allison Messina*
*Associated Committee: Emerging Infections*
*Focus: To provide education and training on infection prevention and control.*

**HP2030**
*Status: Current*
*Primary Leader: Dr. Jasmine Reese*
*Associated Committee: Mental Health Task Force*
*Focus: To implement the Training Residents in Adolescent Depression (T.R.I.A.D) curriculum into some of Florida’s Residency Programs in order to increase the proportion of children and adolescents who get appropriate treatment for depression.*

THANK YOU TO OUR FPP2022 CO-CHAIRS!

FCAAP extends its sincerest thanks to the organizational Co-Chairs of The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022, Dr. Nicole Torres and Dr. Rani S. Gereige! We appreciate your vision, hard work, and dedication to creating a pediatric-focused annual conference that commands national and international respect. Congratulations on a job well done!
‘VACCINATE WITH CONFIDENCE’ PROJECT SUCCESS

Thanks to a partnership between the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on a project called “Vaccinate with Confidence,” FCAAP was awarded a grant this year to target influenza vaccine hesitancy and uptake in the communities served by two University of South Florida clinics.

These clinics provide a full range of services to a diverse group of populations including underserved families and Spanish-speaking families. The overall goal of the project was to reduce and counter the spread of myths and misinformation surrounding the influenza vaccine and boost influenza vaccine uptake through direct educational intervention.

The project team decided on three stages of educational intervention. The first was through social media. Educational content about influenza and the influenza vaccine was created, posted, and promoted within the clinics. Then, educational posters were created to be hung in patient care areas and waiting areas. Finally, an educational video was developed and shown directly to caregivers followed by a survey to determine their level of confidence in vaccinating their children. Each educational intervention, and the final survey, was provided in both English and Spanish.

Based on its success, one of the residents, Dr. Sherri Huang, presented a poster of the project and its results at The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022. Her presentation sparked interest in the FCAAP community about sharing the materials that were used for education.

The materials that were created as part of the project are not specific to these two clinics and are available for widespread use! They have already been shared with AAP, other AAP chapters, and FCAAP members. If you are interested in using or distributing any of these materials, please reach out to FCAAP Program Coordinator Olivia Blakeman at oblakeman@fcaap.org.

FCAAP thanks the project team for their dedication to this project and to the health and well-being of Florida’s children!
FCAAP WRAPS SUCCESSFUL 2022 FORUM SERIES

The Florida Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (FCAAP) has completed its 2022 forum series entitled “Practice Perfect: Strategies for Perfecting the Business of Pediatrics.” This eight-session practice management series featured six live virtual sessions presented free to series registrants, and two on-demand sessions available only with registration to The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022 annual conference.

Books, articles, and websites about running small businesses are everywhere, but pediatric-specific content can be hard to find. That's why FCAAP brought together some of the best industry experts to cover topics vital to practitioners seeking to maximize their success in the pediatric business market.

The series was a smash hit, with 159 total registrants attending sessions on topics ranging from “The 60 Minute Business Class We Wish Every Resident Had to Take,” to “Determining the Value of a Pediatric Practice,” to “PCMH Transformation for Florida Pediatric Practices,” and more!

Thank you to our amazing speakers!

- Chip Hart (Director of Pediatric Solutions, PCC)
- Alex Meyer, MBA (Pediatric Solutions Consultant, PCC)
- Paul Vanchiere, MBA (Principal, Pediatric Management Institute)
- Amanda Ciadella, MPH, PCMH, CCE (Owner, Patient Centered Solutions)
- Jan Blanchard, CPC, CPEDC, CPMA (Pediatric Solutions Consultant, PCC)
- Katrina Skinner, MD, FAAP (President, ALAAP; Founder & CEO, Fairhope Pediatrics; Founder & CEO, Women in Pediatrics)

Congratulations to series prize drawing winner Dr. Mike Jordan, who participated in all eight sessions and submitted the correct keyword in his feedback surveys for each session. Dr. Jordan won the following prizes:

- A free Practice Financial Analysis donated by Physicians Computer Company (PCC)
- $500 off a Women in Pediatrics Event Registration donated by Women in Pediatrics
- Five free hours of consulting services donated by Patient Centered Solutions consulting
- One Livestream pass top the 2023 PMI Conference donated by the Pediatric Management Institute

Thank you to PCC, Women in Pediatrics, Patient Centered Solutions Consulting, and the Pediatric Management Institute for donating these incredibly generous prizes!

While this year’s forum series may be complete, sessions 1 through 6 are available for viewing here. Information about the 2023 Forum Series is coming soon, so watch our website for details!
DR. BENJAMIN HOFFMAN VOTED AAP PRESIDENT

Thank you to everyone who voted in the 2022 American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) election. Benjamin D. Hoffman, MD, FAAP, of Portland, Oregon, has been voted AAP president-elect. He ran against Warren M. Seigel, MD, MBA, FSAHM, FAAP, of Kew Gardens, New York. Dr. Hoffman will take over as president on January 1, 2024, following Sandy L. Chung, MD, FAAP, of Fairfax, Virginia, who will serve as president in 2023. Learn more about Dr Hoffman’s background and the results of the additional AAP national offices in AAP News.

LAST CALL FOR APPLICATIONS TO SERVE ON FCAAP’S 2023 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

The Florida Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics’ Legislative Committee serves to provide a framework for the Chapter to engage and organize members on advocacy and legislative issues facing children in the state of Florida.

The Committee meets twice per month beginning each Fall and continuing through the legislative committee weeks, and weekly during legislative session each Spring. The 2023 Florida Legislative Session is scheduled for March 7 – May 5, 2023. Members of the Legislative Committee are expected to miss no more than two meetings.

If you are interested in participating on the Legislative Committee, please complete the FCAAP Legislative Committee Interest Form by 5 p.m. ET on Friday, October 7 to submit your application to FCAAP’s Board of Directors for consideration.

PLAN YOUR FLU VACCINE CLINIC WITH NEW TOOLS FROM AAP

The new “How to Set Up a Flu Clinic” toolkit from AAP includes resources for pediatric practices to plan and implement an in-office vaccination clinic. With annual influenza vaccination rates below optimal levels, setting up a clinic is a great way to increase rates by providing your patients with efficient access to vaccination before the start of flu season. This toolkit includes updated, shareable social media graphics, editable posters, and a one-pager to print for families. Use these new tools to promote your clinic and to remind parents about the importance of getting vaccinated now.

For more information, contact AAP Program Manager for Infectious Diseases Preparedness Narjis Sayeed at nsayeed@aap.org.
CDC OKS UPDATED COVID VACCINE BOOSTERS FOR ADOLESCENTS, ADULTS

The bivalent boosters include both the original SARS-CoV-2 strain and an omicron variant and can be given two months after a primary series or booster. More information on coadministration, people who are immunocompromised, vaccination after infection, and CPT codes is available in AAP News. More COVID vaccine resources from the CDC and AAP include:

- CDC Planning Guide for Bivalent COVID Vaccine Boosters
- CDC Information on COVID Vaccine Boosters
- AAP COVID Vaccination Resources
- AAP Pediatric COVID Vaccine Dosing Quick Reference Guide

AAP EARLY HEARING DETECTION & INTERVENTION (EDHI) 1-3-6- GUIDANCE

The AAP EHDI program is excited to share an updated resource for pediatricians and other partners caring for children who are deaf or hard of hearing (D/HH) and their families. The 1-3-6 Guidance for Medical Home Providers is an algorithm with clear and simplified guidance for hearing screening follow-up, audiology referrals, as well as discussing intervention services. For more information and resources, visit the AAP EHDI page.

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THERAPY DOGS A HIT AT FPP2022!

Among the popular happenings at The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022, held Sept. 2 – 4 at Disney’s Yacht & Beach Club Resorts, was the visit from Be An Angel Therapy Dog Ministry. Presented as a part of the conference’s array of wellness activities, conference participants were treated to love and snuggles from some of Be An Angel’s adorable pups.

Be An Angel Therapy Dog Ministry is a 501c (3) non-profit organization founded in 2004. At any given time, the ministry counts between 30 – 100 registered therapy dog teams around Central Florida serving children, seniors, homeless, ill, injured, abused, and special-needs citizens.

Today, therapy with dogs is being implemented in both medical and non-medical situations to assist individuals in coping with stress and anxiety. With approximately sixty animal-assisted activities per month, Be An Angel’s teams bring smiles and comfort to thousands of people per year. This year, that includes pediatricians and pediatric providers who attended FCAAP’s annual conference!

Through the Angel Paws to Read Program, the organization provides a relaxed and “dog-friendly” environment that allows children at schools and libraries to practice their reading skills while reducing anxiety. The organization also schedules visits to nursing homes, assisted living facilities, memory care units, behavioral facilities, juvenile detention centers, and domestic violence shelters.

Visit Be An Angel’s website to learn more.

We thank Be An Angel Therapy Dog Ministries for the good work they do and for participating in FCAAP’s annual conference!
RED BOOK COMMITTEE INFLUENZA WEBINAR

Watch this free webinar from the Red Book Committee to learn from expert speakers about current AAP and CDC policy recommendations for the 2022-23 flu season. Topics include vaccine hesitancy, disparities in vaccination rates, and strategies to improve catch-up on childhood vaccination rates in practice settings.

6 COMMON FLU MYTHS DEBUNKED

Flu season typically begins in early October and can continue as late as May. As we approach the 2022 flu season, providers across the country are preparing to ramp up influenza vaccine administration in an effort to reduce flu cases in their patient populations. Over 193 million doses were distributed during the 2021-2022 season, and this year around 180 million new doses are expected to be made available across the United States.

While the flu is a vaccine-preventable illness, misconceptions and misinformation can cause people to skip their annual flu shot and put them at risk for contracting and spreading the virus. Addressing these common myths with your patients and helping them understand the facts around the flu and flu vaccine can help build vaccine confidence and increase immunization rates.

Read more in this article from our partner, Atlantic Health Partners.

Florida RX Card is a free statewide prescription assistance program available to all Florida Residents. We know that for many working families who have limited or no health care insurance, prescription drugs can be very expensive. Helping families afford their prescription medication will help increase medication compliance and improved health outcomes for children.

In addition to prescription medications for individuals and families, the Florida Rx Card has multiple value-added programs, including discounts on medications for pets, and each time the card is used a donation is made to The Children’s Miracle Network.

FCAAP members and their patients can order free Florida Rx Cards by emailing info@floridarxcard.com. For more information, click here.
MY GREEN DOCTOR SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM
FREE TO FCAAP MEMBERS

My Green Doctor is a money-saving benefit free for members of the Florida Chapter American Academy of Pediatrics (FCAAP). Sign up to use My Green Doctor’s “Meeting-by-Meeting Guide” to learn how to gradually adopt environmentally sustainable practices, save resources, and help to create healthier communities. The program adds just five minutes to each regular office staff meeting or weekly office “huddle,” making small changes at each meeting that really add up over time.

My Green Doctor not only helps you to create an environmentally friendly practice, but it also offers valuable educational information you can share with your patients. This month, the My Green Doctor Academy provides educational materials about the dangers of gas stoves. Check out this short article that you can share with your patients (membership required).

Everyone in your practice can register as Partner Society members at MyGreenDoctor.org or at MyGreenDoctor.es. (¡Sí, en español!) Use the discount code MGDFCAAP to save $60 instantly and gain full access to My Green Doctor for free. Ask your practice manager to register today and to put My Green Doctor on your next agenda.

WIN UP TO $500 FOR TAKING A UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI SURVEY

The University of Miami Bascom Palmer Eye Institute is conducting a survey as part of an eye health research project. The responses collected will be used to understand pediatric screenings in the state of Florida and to help determine the impact of current Florida legislation.

If you complete this survey, you can enter your name to win one of 17 prizes:

- Two (2) $500 American Express Gift Cards
- Fifteen (15) $100 American Express Gift Cards

Gift card recipients will be notified via email. Your responses will not be linked to your email.

Click here to participate in our survey and enter our giveaways!

Participation is voluntary. If you start the survey, you can change your mind and stop at any time. Taking part in the study involves no risks, and you will not benefit directly from participating in this research study.

If you have any questions or concerns about the research, please feel free to contact Dr. Alana Grajewski at the University of Miami Bascom Palmer Eye Institute at agrajewski@med.miami.edu. If you have questions regarding your rights as a research participant, contact the University of Miami, Human Subject Research Office at hsro@miami.edu or (305) 243-3195.
A PEDIATRIC WEBSITE AND MARKETING PROGRAM FOR FCAAP MEMBERS

Practis is proud to announce an enhanced exclusive member benefit for FCAAP members. With almost 25 years of experience serving pediatricians, Practis can help to support and grow your pediatric practice by providing you with the digital marketing services necessary to deliver a professional web presence that generates more parent leads for your practice. FCAAP members now can receive:

- $300 off (10%) a Mobile Friendly Website Design Program — Regular price $3,000
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To claim the special pricing, use the code: FCAAP10%.

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- SEO & content to ensure your site can be found on Google
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Learn more about how Practis can help you or call (704) 887-5300.

NOW RECRUITING: PROJECT FIRSTLINE QI ECHO

Are you in private practice and interested in quality improvement around infection prevention and control? Join us this year for a QI ECHO project through Project Firstline. From October 2022 through July 2023, participants will attend monthly educational sessions, and collect and report specified data. This program offers CME, MOC2 and MOC4 credit to participants. To indicate your interest and receive more information, please fill out this online form. Please contact FCAAP Program Coordinator Olivia Blakeman at oblakeman@fcaap.org with questions.
POSTER PRESENTATION COMPETITION HIGHLIGHTS WORK OF FLORIDA’S PEDIATRIC RESIDENTS

As part of The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022 Resident Forum, held Friday September 2, FCAAP invited Residents from across Florida to submit original abstracts in one of three categories: Original Research (including advocacy), Quality Improvement Projects, and Case Reports.

On Friday evening, Residents presented their posters and ideas to a panel of distinguished doctors who selected the best presentations in each category for top honors.

Congratulations to the Resident Forum Poster Presentation Winners!

First Place Poster Winners:

Case Report
Dr. Kimberlee Persaud
Memorial Healthcare System Pediatric Residency Program at JDCH
A Case of Purulent Pericarditis Caused by Haemophilus influenzae in an Unvaccinated Pediatric Patient

Original Research
Dr. Ayodeji Otufowora
University of Florida College of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics
Current opioid misuse among justice-involved children: the effect of adverse childhood experiences

Quality Improvement
Dr. Jacqueline O’Donoghue
Orlando Health Pediatric Residency at Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children
Increasing class attendance for “All About Baby” prenatal classes by transitioning to a virtual platform at Winnie Palmer Hospital

Thank you to our Resident Forum Abstract Judges!
Judges: Dr. Jennifer Takagishi, Dr. Lisa A. Gwynn, Dr. Nicole Torres, Dr. Preceous Jensen, Dr. Rana Alissa, Dr. Rani Gereige, Dr. Sanjeev Tuli

#FCAAPSFINEST MEMBER HIGHLIGHT PROGRAM!
FCAAP’s membership is comprised of the best pediatricians and pediatric health care providers in Florida. You're constantly being featured in local and institutional news for your achievements, sharing your expertise, and creating new initiatives to support the health and well-being of Florida’s children and your colleagues.

To help celebrate your accomplishments, the Chapter highlights members on social media: #FCAAPsFinest. If you would like to be featured, or nominate a colleague to be featured, click here to submit a nomination form. We look forward to highlighting you as one of #FCAAPsFinest!
BEST AND BRIGHTEST COMPETE IN FPP2022 RESIDENT BRAIN BOWL

Pediatric residents were in the spotlight Friday, September 2 during The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022 Resident Brain Bowl! The ever-popular Jeopardy! format quiz competition featured 12 teams from Residency Programs across Florida competing for top honors as the best and brightest of 2022.

Three preliminary rounds took place throughout the afternoon, and the final round, held Friday evening, pitted the winners of the first three rounds against the defending champion, University of South Florida Pediatrics.

Congratulations 2022 Resident Brain Bowl Winners!

Nicklaus Children’s Hospital Residency Program — Dr. Eva Glenn, Dr. Daniela Aguilar, Dr. Ricardo Vega

Director: Dr. Beatriz Cunill-De Sautu

Thank you to our Brain Bowl Hosts, Judges, and Volunteers

Host: Dr. Lisa A. Gwynn
Scorekeeper: Dr. Jennifer Takagishi
Judges: Dr. Luis Garcia-Chacon, Dr. David Hash, Dr. D. Paul Robinson, Dr. Sanjeev Tuli

FCAAP’S CAREER CENTER

Offering a wealth of resources to help you achieve your career goals, the FCAAP Career Center powered by YM Careers allows you to upload your CV/Resume, receive Job Flash Emails with the latest job opportunities, receive a free CV/Resume review, and more. Visit the Career Center tab on the FCAAP Member Only website to access the Career Center.
INAUGURAL SIMWARS COMPETITION AT FPP2022

For the first time, FCAAP hosted a new competition among Florida’s residency programs at The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022. SimWars, a simulation competition, was developed in collaboration with the simulation team at Nemours Children’s Hospital. Teams from two of the state’s residency programs were selected through a live, blind lottery during the conference. Each team was comprised of four residents, each assigned to a specific position and role to play in the simulation. The scenario was presented to each team immediately prior to their turn. The team members talked through their actions while the simulation was broadcast from a camera on the lead resident to a screen in the room for the audience. Following completion of the scenario, the team members received immediate feedback from the panel of judges.

The teams who competed in the inaugural SimWars competition were the University of Miami Jackson Memorial Holtz Children’s Hospital, led by Dr. Monica Alba-Sandoval and Dr. Nicole Torres and comprised of Drs. Sarah Sukkar, Priyanka Nair, Dan Pham, and Ugur Balkanci, and the University of Florida Pediatric Residency- Pensacola, led by Dr. Diane Wilkinson and comprised of Drs. Aline Andrucioli, Hemanthi Veligaram, Monica Garcia, and Pallavi Agarwal.

Both teams performed well, successfully completing the simulation. After a careful review of each team’s overall performance, the University of Florida Pediatric Residency- Pensacola was named the inaugural FCAAP SimWars Champion. Congratulations to the entire team for their exceptional performance!
MEDICAL STUDENTS COMPETE FOR HONORS AT THE FPP2022 MEDICAL STUDENT RESEARCH FORUM

The Department of Pediatrics and the University of Florida College of Medicine sponsored the 8th Annual Pediatric Medical Student Research Forum held Saturday, September 3 at Disney’s Yacht & Beach Club Resorts during FCAAP’s annual conference, The Future of Pediatric Practice 2022.

This was truly a national stage, with more than 70 students from coast-to-coast representing 18 states and Puerto Rico. We were impressed by the superior level of research of the platform and poster presentations. Our sincerest appreciation to our keynote speaker Dr. Rashmin Savani, Chairman of Pediatrics at the University of Florida, and our faculty judges, Drs. Desmond Schatz, Jim Wynn, Molly Posa, Laura Jacobsen, Lindsay Thompson (Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist), Deb Weiner (Boston Children’s Hospital) and Gene Chen (Orlando Health), who traveled to Orlando to help make this forum such a success.

Each faculty participant was critical in offering feedback and inspiration to all the medical student participants. We believe that each medical student left the forum inspired to better care for children and challenged to make discoveries that will improve our understanding of pediatric illnesses.

We also extend special appreciation to our sponsors and partners at the University of Florida College of Medicine, Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist, Society for Pediatric Research, and FCAAP.

Of the many talks and posters, special recognition goes to the individuals listed below. The winning abstracts will be published in the Fall edition of The Florida Pediatrician journal.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

FIRST PLACE — NIKITHA DAMISSETTY
University of Missouri Kansas City
Investigating the role of Ciclesonide in Neural Stem Cell Biology:
A Safer Alternative to Betamethasone for Pre-term Birth

SECOND PLACE — MYABI SAITO
University of Virginia School of Medicine
Safe Implementation of Evidence-Based Nutritional Rehabilitation for Hospitalized Adolescents with Eating Disorders

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THIRD PLACE — COLTON BROWN
University of Florida College of Medicine
10-Year analysis of 183 Heart Transplants in Pediatric and Congenital Heart Disease

THIRD PLACE — LAUREN AYCOCK
University of Florida College of Medicine
Transgender Healthcare Restrictions and Their Impact on LGBTQIA+ Youth

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

FIRST PLACE — MHARLOVE ANDRE
Mass General Hospital for Children
Factors Affecting Increased Post-Operative Opioid Prescriptions in Children Determining Safety and Predictive Success of Baked Egg Oral Food Challenges in Infants/Toddlers

SECOND PLACE — KAYLIN BEITER
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center
National Medicaid Insurance Formulary Coverage of Isotretinoin: An Assessment of Potential Disparities in Access to Pediatric Dermatology Healthcare

THIRD PLACE — BEAU MANSKER
Indiana University School of Medicine
Prevalence of children with obesity in a weight management program who live in food deserts in Indiana and associated social determinants of health

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE DEDICATED STUDENT FORUM ORGANIZERS AND 2022 SPONSORS

The University of Florida Department of Pediatrics, Wake Forest Department of Pediatrics, Society for Pediatric Research, and the Florida Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics

Maria Kelly, MD; Professor & Associate Division Chief, General Academic Pediatrics, University of Florida
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SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR STUDENT FORUM JUDGES

Dr. Desmond Schatz; Dr. Jim Wynn; Dr. Molly Posa; Dr. Laura Jacobsen; Dr. Lindsay Thompson (Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist); Dr. Deb Weiner (Boston Children’s Hospital); and Dr. Gene Chen (Orlando Health).

THANK YOU TO OUR STUDENT FORUM KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Rashmin Savani, Professor and Chair, Department of Pediatrics and Physician-in-Chief, Shands Children's Hospital, University of Florida, for his presentation, “A Life Journey to Prevent Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia.”
BACK TO SCHOOL HEALTH FAIR HOSTED BY JOE DIMAGGIO CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL

Submitted by: Joseph Andreola, DO, PGY-2, Joe DiMaggio Children’s Hospital, FCAAP Assistant Co-Chair, Residents and Trainees Committee

One of the best parts of being a pediatric resident at Joe DiMaggio Children’s Hospital is being a part of a program that gives back to our unique and diverse patient population through community outreach. Among the many noteworthy events that our hospital hosts is the Back-to-School Health Fair for children in our communities that do not have access to health care. Because many of these children lack a pediatrician to give required vaccines and perform school physicals, they and their families rely on this clinic to be eligible to attend school for the year.

This health fair fulfills this immediate healthcare need for these families by providing a school physical, hearing and vision screens, vaccinations, and even school supplies for those in need. As the resident physicians on the team, we were able to work with other local physicians, nurses, and health care providers in fulfilling these important roles.

One of my favorite aspects of this event was seeing how our team was able to function in such a cohesive manner. Residents, attending physicians, nurses, technicians, and even language translators all volunteered their time to help these families. By the end of the day, nearly 200 children were seen and cleared to start school just in time for the new academic year. As each child walked out with their new backpack in tow and school forms in hand, there was certainly a sense of accomplishment in that what we had done truly made a difference.

Community outreach is one of the most important aspects of any residency program, and I am proud to be a part of one that emphasizes this like Joe DiMaggio does. Giving back to our community in such a way not only improves the lives of those we care for, but also creates an important connection that every physician should have with their community.
SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR FPP2022 SPEAKERS!

The Future of Pediatric Practice would not be possible without the wonderful faculty and volunteers who dedicated their time to leading plenary presentations, facilitating interactive workshops, and moderating discussions. Thank you to these subject matter experts for sharing their wisdom and experience with the attendees of FPP2022!

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SAVE THE DATES!

SEPTEMBER 1-3, 2023
Disney’s Yacht & Beach Club Resorts
SURVEY ON MODALITIES OF NUTRITIONAL COUNSELING OF CHILDREN

Medical students at Nova Southeastern University College of Allopathic Medicine invite you to participate in a research project entitled “Empowering Preteens to Manage Their Health: A Mobile Nutrition Application to Address the Growing Rates of Youth Pre-diabetes, Obesity, and Type 2 Diabetes.”

The project aims to identify commonly used modalities of nutrition counseling to children with a family history and/or recent diagnosis of pre-diabetes, Type 2 Diabetes, or obesity to address gaps in current pediatric nutrition education by creating a phone/tablet/web-based application targeted at this vulnerable population.

Please consider completing this anonymous survey to assist with the project. The survey should take about 10-15 minutes to complete.

Contact Alyssa Haag at 310-408-3189 or ah2621@mynsu.nova.edu, or Daniel Griffin at 954-262-1439 or daniel.griffin@nova.edu with questions or for more information.

CONVERSATIONS ABOUT CARE PODCAST: LISTEN TO THE LATEST EPISODE

The AAP Institute for Healthy Childhood Weight podcast, “Conversations About Care,” has released a new episode, “Stories from the Field: Providing Obesity Care in Rural Communities.” In this episode, Dr. Hassink is joined by Dr. Stanley Sack, a pediatrician and medical writer from Florida. During their conversation, Dr. Sack shares his passion for obesity prevention and care, as well as some of the successes and challenges while working in a rural setting.
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