



INAAP Monthly News & Updates

March 2018

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Letter from the President

Last week AAP President Dr. Colleen Kraft sent a letter to all members of the American Academy of Pediatrics on the issue of gun safety and how you as a pediatrician can engage on this topic. One of the things Dr. Kraft mentioned in her letter was engaging with your state AAP chapter on activities related to gun safety.

Last year's membership survey indicated that gun safety was the #1 issue our members wanted the chapter to address, and the recent tragedy in Parkland, Florida has highlighted the need more more advocacy and action on this topic.



Below you will find information on several ongoing initiatives and activities related to this very important topic. I encourage you to participate in these opportunities, and to reach out with any thoughts or questions you might have surrounding the role of pediatricians and pediatric nurse practitioners in the conversation surrounding gun safety.

Legislative Update

The 2018 Legislative Sessions wraps up this week, but there is still lots happening at the Statehouse as lawmakers try and wrap up their business ahead of the March 14th constitutional deadline.

On March 8th, Governor Holcomb signed [Senate Bill 360](#) into law, which requires the Indiana State Department of Health to certify levels of care for mothers and babies at hospitals and birthing centers.



INAAP helped testify in favor of the bill, and INAAP President Dr. Sarah Bosslet (below, far left) was present at the bill signing which took place at Peyton Manning Children's Hospital.



Additionally, on March 6th [Senate Bill 431](#) cleared its final hurdle and will now head to Governor Holcomb's desk. SB 431 provides additional protections for pediatricians involved in child abuse and neglect cases, and was made possible in large part thanks to the hard work of INAAP member Dr. Roberta Hibbard (left).

On February 21st INAAP hosted an Advocacy Day at the Indiana Statehouse in conjunction with the March of Dimes. The event included a lunch with legislators, and INAAP members to the opportunity to speak with elected officials about important issues such as tobacco cessation and education, and the effect it can have on Indiana's infant mortality rate.

Pictured below (left to right): Kate Hannaford, Brittany Byerley, Sarah Stelzner, Marshall Criswell, Representative Carey Hamilton, Sarah Bosslet, Meagan O'Neill, Deanna Reinoso, and Nerissa Bauer.



Gun Legislation Breaking News

Finally, we are currently monitoring [HB 1214](#) which is currently being discussed in conference committee. The legislation, which initially started as a bill about legalizing CBD oil, has the potential to transform into a "vehicle bill" for loosening some gun restrictions in Indiana (use the link

above for more information). We are currently doing what we can to influence the debate around the bill and to highlight the potential health risks the new language might have on Indiana's children.

Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner



This year, INAAP's Annual Meeting will be a dinner and awards banquet held in downtown Indianapolis at Mesh on Massachusetts Avenue. The dinner will take place on Wednesday, May 16th at 5:45 pm.

The goal of the meeting will be to introduce INAAP's new executive officers and board of directors, and to also honor our annual award recipients. Just as important, we want to provide our members with a fun way to get to know each other and build relationships that will benefit our organization and the children of Indiana.

We are pleased to announce that there is no cost to attend the annual dinner, but space is limited. All members are welcome to attend, but an RSVP is required. If you'd like to join us for the annual meeting, use the link below to RSVP.

[RSVP for Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner](#)



Nominations for INAAP's Annual Awards are Now Open - **DUE MARCH 26**

On May 16, 2018, INAAP will hold its Annual Meeting at Mesh in downtown Indianapolis. INAAP will present its annual awards at the dinner, and the winner of each award will have the opportunity to address those in attendance. We encourage all members to nominate any friends and colleagues who would be worthy of these awards.

The annual awards include:

1. **The Edwin L. Gresham Award for Advancing the Care of Newborn Infants**
2. **The Irving Rosenbaum Award for Distinguished Service**
3. **The Community Service Award**
4. **The Virginia M. Wagner Lifetime Achievement Award**

If you would like to nominate someone, please send a letter of recommendation to INAAP Executive Director, Chris Weintraut, at cw@inaap.org. Winners will be presented with an award at the annual dinner, and will be asked to give brief remarks about their work.

More information about each award is available through the link below.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Monday, March 26th, 2018

[Award Information](#)

53rd Annual Riley Pediatric Conference, May 15-16, 2018



Register now for the 53rd Annual Riley Children's Health Pediatric Conference.

The two-day event will offer plenary presentations on Infectious Diseases, Health Care Systems, and Care Coordination programs for children with special health care needs. Hot Topics discussions will follow each Morning Plenaries with talks on how doctors can help kids coping with chronic medical illnesses, pediatric allergy to medicine, eating disorders in children and adolescents, pediatric dermatology, ophthalmology, and hypertension. Afternoon Interactive Lectures will feature topics on sports injuries, urology, high risk new-born follow-up, management

Register and learn more [HERE](#).



Join INAAP and Others Across the Country for the March for Our Lives Event on April 24th.

On March 24th, kids and families affected by the recent shooting in Parkland, Florida will march in Washington, DC in support of common sense gun safety measures and to help highlight the issues of gun violence against children. Additional marches will take place across the country that same day, including in Indiana. INAAP will be joining the Indianapolis march at 11:00 am on March 24th. Guns are now the third

leading cause of death for children in the United States, and we must do what we can to influence this very important pediatric issue.

If you would like to join members of INAAP for the march, you can [RSVP HERE](#).



Free Behavioral Health Education and Training Available thanks to INAAP members Michelle Curtin and Katie Swec.

Children and families often present with behavioral health concerns in the day-to-day primary care practice. Are you comfortable helping them with therapies, early intervention, special education, medication management and more? Indiana University Pediatrics is now offering primary care providers with opportunities to expand their skills in the following areas: ADHD, Anxiety, Autism, and Depression.

Free didactic and clinical training will focus on diagnosis, advocacy, co-management pathways, family resources, and screening. While the program is no cost to participants, any candidate will need support from their primary employer to protect their time (0.1 FTE recommended). This is designed for physicians delivering child health in Indiana.

First cohort will start July 9th, 2018

Activities include:

- Interactive classroom work (in person or via Zoom)-6 x 1/2 days
- Riley Hospital clinical experiences -24 x 1/2 days (over 6 months, flexible timing)
- Remote case discussions and support-monthly 1-2 hours (12-24 months)
- Individual mentorship
- Access to clinical specialists
- Access to Indiana University School of Medicine library resources
- Electronic access to course materials and resources
- Free MOC Part 4 25 credits
- Free CME 12 hours

Upon completion, participants will receive a NDBS-PC Fellow Recognition.

For inquiries & to apply, contact Dr. Michelle Curtin (mjcurtin@iu.edu).

Good 4 Growth MOC Part II April 27th at Conner Prairie

Join INAAP, in partnership with the Ohio Chapter of the

American Academy of Pediatrics, for a "Live MOC Part II" event on April 27th at 1:00 pm at Conner Prairie. The event is designed in such a way so that you can come have lunch, listen to a speaker, and leave with 20 points of MOC Part II credit.



The Good 4 Growth course is designed to show the connection between early life-adverse events, toxic stress and social-emotional skills in terms of health, mental health, academic achievement and economic outcomes. It will outline ways to support the parent/child relationship in primary care practice, highlighting attachment theory. It will also discuss using shared creative play as a means of enhancing parent-child interactions and using purposeful play as a means to enhance the fundamental motor skill development.

Following completion of this educational activity, learners should be able to:

1. Describe the pediatric research showing the connection between early life adverse childhood events, toxic stress, and social-emotional skills in terms of health, mental health, academic achievement and economic outcomes.
2. Outline the ways of supporting the parent-child relationship in primary care practice, based on attachment theory principles.
3. Characterize the benefits of using shared creative play as a means of enhancing parent-child interactions and using purposeful play as a means to enhance the fundamental motor skill development of the child.
4. Define alternate strategies to help address problem cases in which basic parenting support is not working.

The cost of the event is \$40, and will include a lunch. For more information, and to RSVP, please click [HERE](#).

ALF Resolutions

The 1018 AAP Annual Leadership Forum will take place this week in Schaumburg, Illinois. The "ALF" is a chance for AAP leaders from across the nation to come together and discuss policy and strategy related to child health and the practice of pediatrics.

The AAP sets its priorities through resolutions which can be submitted by AAP members and which are then debated and voted on during the ALF. You can review the resolutions submitted for the 2018 ALF [here](#).



If you have any thoughts about the resolutions, or you have an idea for a resolution of your own, please reach out to cw@inaap.org and make your voice known!



New Resource for Help with Screening for Developmental Delays, Maternal Depression, and Social Determinants of Health.

INAAP members Dr. Nerissa Bauer (left) has spent the last 2.5 years working with the AAP technical assistance advisory board to help develop "Screening Time," a new online module directed towards primary care pediatricians.

The module takes about 3 hours to complete, and focuses on helping practices screen for developmental delays, maternal depression and social determinants of health. The resource is currently free to access, and completion of the module will count towards MOC Part II. a separate technical assistance center that you can call with any questions related to this, a newsletter and screening grid organized with every possible screening tool with validity or promising with links to them.

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Click [HERE](#) for more information on the program.

On My Way Pre-K Applications for 2018-2019 School Year Now Available



Indiana's Office of Early Childhood and Out-of-School Learning (OECOSL) is now accepting applications from families in 20 counties who may be eligible for grants for their children to receive high-quality, prekindergarten education through the On My Way Pre-K program for the 2018/2019 school year. The pilot program was expanded in 2017 from five to 20 counties to provide the benefits of early childhood education to more Hoosier children from low-income families.

In addition to the five counties where On My Way Pre-K has been available since 2015 (Allen, Jackson, Lake, Marion and Vanderburgh) the program will be available for the 2018/19 school year in Bartholomew, DeKalb, Delaware, Elkhart, Floyd, Grant, Harrison, Howard, Kosciusko, Madison, Marshall, Monroe, St. Joseph, Tippecanoe and Vigo Counties. Families residing in these 20 counties must meet the following eligibility criteria to apply:

- The family must have an income below [127 percent of the federal poverty level](#).
- Their child must be 4 years old by August 1, 2018, and starting kindergarten in the 2019/2020 school year.
- Parents/guardians in the household must be working, going to school or attending job training.

Once the family has met eligibility requirements and has been awarded a grant for their child, they may choose from any of the eligible, enrolled On My Way Pre-K programs in their county. Families can search approved providers at www.ChildCareFinder.IN.gov. OECOSL has enrolled 504 On My Way Pre-K providers in the 20 pilot counties, and the application process for new providers is ongoing. In order to qualify, a program must be top-ranked at level 3 or level 4 in Paths to QUALITY or be accredited by an approved national or regional accrediting body ([Click here for details on provider eligibility](#)).

Approved pre-K programs may be located in a public or private school, licensed child care center, licensed home or registered ministry as long as that program meets the quality requirements and is registered as an On My Way Pre-K Provider. Families may choose from a program that is full-day or part-day, as well as from programs that end with the school year or continue through the summer.

More than 5,000 Hoosier children have attended preschool through a grant from the On My Way Pre-K program since it began in 2015. OECOSL continues to partner with Purdue University on a longitudinal study of children who have participated in the pilot program in an attempt to measure their success OECOSL also updates the Indiana General Assembly every year on the program. [The most recent report can be found here](#).

On My Way Pre-K is Indiana's first state-funded prekindergarten program, which was approved as a five-county pilot by the Indiana General Assembly in 2014, and expanded to a 20-county pilot by the General Assembly in 2017. For more information, visit www.onmywayprek.org.

Families may call 1-800-299-1627 for assistance from an early learning referral specialist or for other questions about On My Way Pre-K.

INAAP March Member Meeting - Gun Safety and Pediatrics

INAAP's next in-person meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 21st at 6:30 pm. The March meeting will focus on the intersection of gun safety and pediatrics, and will feature two exciting



speakers. Leslie Hulvershorn, MD, M.Sc., will talk about adolescent depression and personality disorders, and Laura Walls, MD will the intersection of gun safety and the practice of pediatrics. Dr. Walls will also give an overview of the Be S.M.A.R.T. program which promotes common sense gun safety in the home.

If you are interested in attending the March meeting, use the button below to RSVP today!

RSVP
March Meeting

Upcoming INAAP Meetings

There are several upcoming meetings for those who want to learn more about INAAP's efforts, or who are looking to get more involved.

Our next in-person meeting will be Wednesday, March 21st. Dinner is provided at our in-person meetings, so please RSVP using the button above by March 20th if you plan to attend.

If you haven't been involved in one of our child-health committees before due to distance or the timing of the meetings, now is the perfect time to join! Information on the three committees is below:



INAAP General Meeting (In Person)

Held at the Joseph Maley Foundation
7128 Lakeview Pkwy W Dr, Indianapolis, IN 46268
Next Meeting: **Wednesday, March 21st at 6:00 pm**

Early Brain & Childhood Development (teleconference)

Chair: Katie Swec, MD, FAAP, kathleenswec@gmail.com (chair)
Next Meeting: **Tuesday, April 10th at 12:10 pm**

Perinatal and Infant Mortality (teleconference)

Pat Clements, MD, FAAP, pclement@indiana.edu (chair)
Next Meeting: **Thursday, April 19th at 12:00 pm**

Preventive Health (teleconference)

Cynthia Robbins, MD, MS, FAAP cyrobbin@iu.edu (chair)
Next Meeting: **Wednesday, April 18th at 6:00 pm**

Teleconference Information for all committees will be the same, and is included below. If you want to learn more about the work being done by each committee, feel free to call and listen in! You can use either your computer (with mic and speakers) or your phone.

Teleconference Information:

Using a computer: <https://www.uberconference.com/inaap>
Using a phone: Dial-in number: 857-216-4676, PIN: 52460

**Join Early Learning Indiana and
Dr. Katie Swec for coffee at the
Governor's Mansion!**

April 26th - Enjoy coffee at the Governor's Mansion and hear special guest Dr. Katie Swec give her talk



entitled "The Brain Advantage: Boosting Brain Growth from Birth to Three." This special event is made possible by Early Learning Indiana for the purpose of raising awareness and support of early brain initiatives among business and community leaders in our state.

Space is limited, so [RSVP today!](#)

Join Us on Workplace - A Place for INAAP Members to Collaborate

INAAP recently implemented "Workplace," a communication and collaboration platform produced by Facebook. The platform allows members to share thoughts, questions, documents, and other information quickly and easily.

Only INAAP members are permitted to join, so Workplace is the perfect place to bounce ideas off of other pediatricians and nurse practitioners throughout the state. Having those questions and collaborations stored in a central place will also serve as a resource to new members.

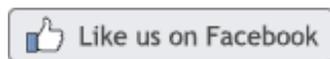
We highly encourage INAAP members to join. The platform will be more effective the more members we have involved. If you are interested in joining Workplace, contact Chris Weintraut at cw@inaap.org. He will send you an invitation and get you set up!



Reminder on the Importance of Social Media

INAAP has made a concerted effort to increase the quality and scope of its social media messaging. We are now posting a variety of information for both practitioners and families on a daily basis. INAAP currently utilizes both facebook and twitter, but needs your help to spread our message. If you haven't done so already, we encourage you to use the links at the bottom of this article to like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter. The more followers we have, the more effective we can be at spreading our message.

STAY CONNECTED:



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