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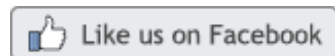
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Letter from the President

It is hard to believe that summer is coming to a close and that children across the state are already heading back to school. However, it is not just the kids who have education on the mind!

As you will see in this edition of the newsletter, there is also a wealth of upcoming opportunities for INAAP members to expand their knowledge and understanding of important pediatric issues. From multi-day CME conferences to special-event dinners, I hope every one of you finds something that engages you and offers you a chance to grow in your profession or apply your passion to an important issue.

If not, I encourage you to reach out to us and let us know what type of programming you would like to see from your AAP chapter. Our services continue to evolve, and we want to be a valuable resource for education, networking, advocacy, and fun! I look forward to seeing all of you at the events listed below!



Dr. Sarah Bosslet Provides Update on EpiPen Shortage

It is not news to anyone that EpiPens are in short supply right now. Here are a few tips and updates on access to epinephrine autoinjectors at this time:

1. AuviQ is available at most pharmacies, and available for zero dollars via mail order (only through private insurance) at www.AuviQ.com.
2. Adrenaclick can be found at many pharmacies but is also in short supply. Keep in mind that this will be presented to the family as generic for an EpiPen but is not the same as an EpiPen.

Make sure your families understand the instructions, as this device can be much more confusing to use.

For Medicaid

1. MDwise is allowing coverage of AuvIQ without restriction at this time. Per the pharmacy director, "If a member or provider has any difficulty however, they can report the issue to MDwise by sending an email to pharmacy@mdwise.org."

I am awaiting a response from other MCEs in terms of what they would have us do since families cannot access Epipens currently. Experience at our practice has been multiple rejections without resolution. If you know of other resources for families or have other tips please reach out and let us know!

September INAAP Member Meeting: The Opioid Epidemic and Exposed Infants

When: Wednesday, September 19th at 6:00 pm

**Where: Joseph Maley Enrichment Center,
7128 Lakeview Pkwy W Dr, Indianapolis, IN 46268**

RSVP by September 17th!



Join us in September for updates and important discussion related to the opioid epidemic and how it is effecting our patients.

Drs. Maria Del Rio Hoover and John Ellis will be discussing Indiana's work to address the growing number of babies exposed to opioids prenatally. They will be reviewing statewide data on neonatal abstinence syndrome, and recommendations from the Indiana Perinatal Quality Improvement Learning Collaborative Perinatal Substance Use Committee on best practices for caring for babies affected by opioid use.

Dinner is provided free of charge, and all you need to do is RSVP using the button below!

**September Meeting
RSVP**



INAAP Hires New Program Coordinator - Lisa Wegner, MPH

INAAP is excited to introduce Lisa Wegner as the newest member of the INAAP staff. Lisa will serve as a full time Program Coordinator, and will manage the CEASE Tobacco Cessation Program in Indiana. In that role, Lisa will help pediatricians throughout Indiana implement the CEASE program in their own practices.

Lisa received her Master's Degree in Public Health from Grand Valley State University, and her Bachelor of Applied Arts from Central Michigan University. Newly relocated to Indiana, Lisa brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the team from her time working for both the Barry-Eaton District Health Department (Lansing, Michigan) and the Greater Ottawa County United Way (Holland, Michigan).

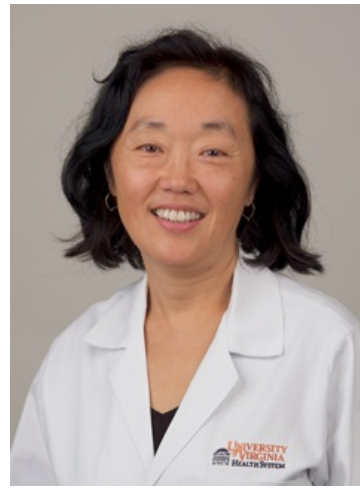
We hope many of you have a chance to meet and work with Lisa on tobacco cessation efforts throughout the state!

Lisa can be reached at lw@inaap.org.

Special INAAP Event: A Night with Dr. Rachel Moon - October 9, 2018

INAAP is pleased to announce that it will be hosting Dr. Rachel Moon for a special event on October 9, 2018 at Conner Prairie in Fishers, Indiana. The event will start at 6:00 pm.

Dr. Rachel Moon is the Division Head of General Pediatrics and SIDS researcher at the University of Virginia. She received her medical degree from Emory University and completed her pediatric residency at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. She is Division Head of General Pediatrics and Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Virginia School of Medicine.



Her research centers on SIDS and SIDS risk factors, particularly in high risk populations, such as African-Americans and infants attending child care. She is Chair of the American Academy of Pediatrics' Task Force on SIDS and associate editor for the journal Pediatrics.

Dr. Moon will be discussing recent developments through her work on the AAP Task Force, as well as information and updates on safe sleep.

A catered dinner will be provided free of charge to INAAP members, but RSVP is required. Space is limited, and spots will be provided on a first come, first served basis. Please use the button below to register!

**Dr. Rachel Moon
Event Registration**

Advocacy Update

Though INAAP's advocacy efforts are most pronounced during the Indiana Legislative Session, there are also ongoing efforts that the organization tackles year-round. In an effort to keep members better informed about the advocacy work being done throughout the state, INAAP will post advocacy updates in the newsletter each month.



In August, our advocacy efforts centered on immigrant children and the potential negative impact certain proposed changes could have on their health. First, Dr. Sarah Stelzner authored a letter to the editor about changes to the definition of "public charge" and how that will impact children in our state. You can read that letter and get more information on this important topic [HERE](#).

Second, INAAP provided written testimony to the Newton County Board of Commissioners about the ill effects of building an immigrant family detention center. You can read that testimony [HERE](#).

If you are passionate about these or other hot-button topics, we encourage you to reach out! INAAP can get you connected to other members working on these issues, and help you amplify your voice for Indiana's children.

Improving Children's Health Conference: Integrating Dental and Medical Services

Tooth decay is the most common chronic childhood disease. This critical problem can best be addressed



through an integration of medical and dental services. The importance of screenings, participatory guidance, early intervention, and medical/dental collaboration will be discussed at a conference on Saturday, September 29, at the IU School of Dentistry in Indianapolis.

The American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Dental Association, and the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry all recommend that a child's first dental visit be at or before age one. Dr. Jeff Rector, a pediatric dentist from Muncie, chairs the Indiana Dental Association's new Age-One Dental Visits Subcommittee and is on the planning committee for the event. "A child's first dental visit provides a foundation for prevention through education," said Dr.

Rector. "But many parents, physicians and dentists do not realize the importance of early visits. We hope this day-long conference will help change that."

Recognizing the need for a collaborative approach to children's dental health, Indiana Medicaid now reimburses medical providers for fluoride varnish applications for children. This conference will satisfy Indiana Health Coverage Program's (IHCP) educational requirements for primary care providers (physicians, nurse practitioners, and physician's assistants) who wish to be reimbursed for providing fluoride varnish.

The program is recommended for physicians, medical and dental health care specialists, dentists, hygienists, nurses, social workers and early childhood educators. The Indiana University School of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 7.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ and 7.25 nursing education contact hours. Cost is \$100 for professionals, free for students.

Registration and more information and is available using the button below.

**Conference
Information and
Registration**



Survey Follow Up: Patients, Smartphones, and You

Doctors at Indiana University are conducting a brief survey on how pediatricians use smartphones to learn about their patient's development. The results will be used as part of research aimed at improving online child health tools. If you are a pediatrician, please participate

in our survey today by clicking on the link: <https://is.gd/INAAPProviders>

For more information about the study, please contact Dr. Nerissa Bauer at nsbauer@iu.edu.

Peyton Manning Children's Hospital at St. Vincent 19th Annual Pediatric CME Conference



St. Vincent's 19th Annual Fall Pediatric Conference will be held at the Ritz Charles in Carmel, IN on September 26, 2018.

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m., and presentations will kick off at 8:30 a.m. Topics of discussion for this year's conference include Asthma, Orthopedics, Nephrology, Neuromuscular, Dysmenorrhea, Autism Management, and Infectious Disease. The conference will also feature Dr. Jerry Mendell, Founder of the Clinical Translational Gene Therapy Program at the Research Institute as the Keynote Speaker.

Conference Information and Registration

Current Volunteer Opportunities

Below is a list of ongoing INAAP projects that are in need of volunteers! If you are interested in one of these areas, we encourage you to reach out and get involved!

Advocacy

1. Legislative and public outreach related to immigrant children and families. Contact [Dr. Sarah Stelzner](#)
2. State-level advocacy related to environmental health. Contact [Dr. Pat Clements](#)
3. Interested in being a champion for tobacco cessation? Raising the cost of cigarettes will be a top priority for INAAP during the 2019 legislative session, and we will need people willing to be advocates. Contact [Chris Weintraut](#)



Practice of Pediatrics

1. Interested in joining efforts to raise payment rates for pediatricians providing care through Medicaid? Plans are ongoing to make a push during the 2019 Legislative Session for more Medicaid parity, and we need your help! Contact [Dr. Tony GiaQuinta](#)
2. Frustrated by medicaid payment issues, prior authorizations, or formularies, and want to help work towards a better solution? Contact [Dr. Sarah Bosslet](#) about what you can do to help!

Child Health

1. Are you passionate about reproductive health issues? INAAP is partnering with other organizations throughout the state to figure out how we can provide better treatment and information to patients on this very important topic. If you are interested in joining the conversation or want to learn more, contact [Dr. Cynthia Robbins](#)
2. Several issues have been identified related to our members' ability to effectively care for children involved Indiana's Department of Child Services. Are you having issues with patients involved with DCS? Want to help solve the problem? Contact [Chris Weintraut](#)
3. We are recruiting members interested in helping to plan the 4th annual Read IN event at the Indianapolis Central Library. The event raises money for Reach Out and Read, and will take place at the end of April 2019. This is an ideal volunteer opportunity for Indianapolis-based pediatricians and residents. Contact [Dr. Katie Swec](#)
4. Gun safety and reform. We are looking for members who are interested in this issue and who want to help figure out what our chapter can do to help protect Indiana's children. If you'd like to join the conversation, contact [Dr. Laura Walls](#)
5. The care of opioid-exposed infants continues to be an issue in our state. As INAAP's grant on this issue comes to a close, we are looking for more ideas on how our chapter can help in this arena. Have ideas or want to help move the ball forward? Contact [Dr. Emily Scott](#)

Chapter and Membership

1. Chapter Events - We'd love to hear from members about the type of programs or events they'd like to see from the chapter. Have a great idea? Contact [Dr. Carolyn Lytle](#) and let us know!

Regional Affairs

1. Our Regional Affairs Committee wants to hear about issues affecting practices in your area that others might not be aware of. Are you dealing with a problem and want to find out how others are handling it throughout the state? Contact [Dr. Cynthia Nassim](#)

Registration for Labor of Love Infant Mortality Summit is now Open! November 14, 2018

Join the conversation around the issue of infant mortality in Indiana at the 2018 Labor of Love summit. The event will be held on November 14, 2018 at the JW Marriott in downtown Indianapolis.

Labor of Love is a product of the Indiana State Department of Health, in cooperation with other organizations throughout Indiana. The 2017 summit (which featured several INAAP members as speakers) sold out, so it is recommended you register early if you plan to attend!

You can find more information about the summit, along with directions on how to register, using the button below.



Labor of Love
Helping Indiana Reduce Infant Death

**Labor of Love Information
and Registration**



Stay Up to Date with Changes Related to Medicaid Payment and Procedures

As many of you know, there have been numerous changes since January 1, 2017 to how Medicaid and managed care is administered in Indiana. INAAP continues to work with state officials to remedy issues that have been identified as a result of those changes, and we want to make sure that all INAAP members know how to keep themselves up to date on news or updates that may be issued by the state.

You can access official notices of new and revised policies, program changes, and information about special initiatives by visiting Indiana FSSA's website. The link is provided below, and all members are encouraged to regularly check the website to keep up-to-date with the most recent changes being implemented.

**Indiana FSSA
Bulletins**

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!



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