**Events**
The PA AAP hosts two in-person CME Conferences each year as part of our Annual Leadership Meeting and Annual Pediatric Update. We also coordinate a powerful Legislative Advocacy Day in Harrisburg as well as a highly engaging Resident Career Day. All members are invited to participate in these events held in various locations throughout the Commonwealth.

In addition, PA AAP hosts a series of continuing education webinars for all members as part of our **Let’s Talk** series. Webinars provide up-to-date information about new research, policy recommendations, and guidance regarding reimbursement and changes in delivery of care.

**Programs**
PA AAP offers evidence-based programs designed to meet the needs of our members and the communities we serve. Programs address current issues, foster collaborative opportunities between primary care and community organizations, offer CME/CEU/MOC training opportunities, and provide practice support in the following areas:

- Immunization
- Oral health
- Breastfeeding
- Nutrition and food insecurity
- Prevention of child abuse and neglect
- Behavioral health
- Special health care needs
- Health and safety in early childhood learning centers
- Child passenger safety and injury prevention
- And more…

**Join**
PA AAP membership is open to pediatricians, pediatric medical sub-specialists, pediatric surgical specialists, pediatric dentists and allied health professionals. Members have access to resources and information to support professional development and improve the standard of pediatric care for all children in Pennsylvania. PA AAP continues to offer new opportunities for current and future members to get involved.

**Collaborate**
Forward-thinking individuals and organizations that are focused on children’s healthcare issues are invited to contact PA AAP to explore potential collaborative initiatives that can enhance our collective ability to positively impact the health of children and adolescents in Pennsylvania.

**Donate**
As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, PA AAP relies on the financial support and commitment of time from individuals like you to support our efforts to improve the health and well-being of children in the Commonwealth. Please give generously to help ensure the voice of our children will remain clear and strong.

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“...For decades, the PA AAP has been a great partner in the quest to prevent child maltreatment and protect vulnerable children. Here you’ll find committed leaders who advocate for all things good for children, and I’m proud to be a friend of the PA AAP.”

Cindy Christian, MD, FAAP
Who We Are

The PA Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics (PA AAP) believes in the potential of all children and considers them to be our most enduring and valuable legacy.

For more than three decades, PA AAP has served as a strong and unified voice to safeguard the health and well-being of our children in Pennsylvania.

Today, more than 2,300 pediatric professional members and partners from across the Commonwealth are making a positive and lasting difference through our organization’s advocacy initiatives and collaborative efforts with federal and state government officials and other coalitions.

“My passion for promoting the health of families inspired my decision to pursue a career in pediatrics. While my clinical and research career provides daily opportunities to promote child health and wellness, advocacy initiatives through PA AAP are critical to translating clinic- and community-based work into policy that positively impacts families on the local, state, and national levels. Working with the PA AAP allows me to collaborate with like-minded pediatricians as we aim to elevate the voice of children, who otherwise may remain voiceless.”

Maya Ragavan, MD, MPH, FAAP

What We Do

PA AAP provides our members with opportunities to make a difference and elevate their presence in the pediatric community by engaging in advocacy initiatives, serving in leadership roles, networking with colleagues, and learning from experts in various pediatric sub-specialties.

Advocacy

PA AAP has long understood the value of educating parents, health care professionals, legislators, media, and all Pennsylvania residents about the critical issues facing our children and their families. PA AAP is at the forefront of current and emerging issues, serving as a vital partner in the shaping of legislative priorities crafted to improve health-related outcomes.

Join our Advocacy Efforts:
- Meet with legislators
- Testify on legislation
- Write letters of support
- Receive timely advocacy alerts and respond to calls-to-action
- Influence legislative policy

Leadership

PA AAP encourages our members to seek leadership roles to gain and refine their leadership skills as we work together to promote the health and well-being of children.

Help Lead PA AAP Efforts:
- Serve on a committee
- Represent the Chapter on state-wide initiatives
- Share expertise as a PA AAP Medical Advisor
- Serve on the PA AAP Board of Directors

Networking

PA AAP members can network with colleagues through our in-person events, webinars, and social media channels to strengthen our collective voice for the children we serve. Our organization provides a communication hub to keep members up-to-date on current issues and policy recommendations.

Learning

The PA AAP supports pediatric practitioners with an array of educational programs and training opportunities, both in-person and through frequent Let’s Talk webinars that provide continuing medical education (CME/CEU) and maintenance of certification (MOC) credits.