

## Alaska Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics Chapter Fact Sheet

### ADVOCACY:

Promote the health and well-being of Alaska's infants, children, adolescents and young adults. Increase your knowledge of and participation in legislative and advocacy activities at a local level Increase involvement in the legislative arena to positively influence the quality of pediatric practice and the welfare of children in our state. Build coalitions with other organizations working toward improving children's health and promote the interests of Alaska's children and pediatricians with the AAP

### LEADERSHIP:

Become a "Chapter Champion" of a children's health issue. Serve as an officer of the chapter, serve on a national AAP Committee or in a Section or Council leadership position. Influence the practice of pediatrics by serving on a review board for an AAP publication

### NETWORKING:

Network with other pediatricians both rural and urban to share knowledge. Develop valuable professional relationships throughout the state and across the country.

### EDUCATION:

Nurture your lifelong learning by attending Pediatric Grand Rounds and ECHO events hosted by the chapter. Attend Chapter sponsored Continuing Medical Education meetings. Prepare yourself for the future role of the pediatrician in the changing health care system and optimize the future management of your practices

### WHAT HAS YOUR CHAPTER DONE LATELY:

Provided educational content with virtual Pediatric Grand Rounds and ECHO programming during the Pandemic. The ECHO series is supported by a grant received by the Chapter. Continue to work on an ongoing grant-supported FACEBOOK Campaign to remind parents to #CallYour Pediatrician and keep up on all vaccines during the pandemic. Working with the CDC on an Infection Control

messaging grant. This program provides up to date information as well as reminders on infection control in all health care settings.

Work closely with the University of Washington and the “WWAMI” program to offer training in Pediatric settings to first and third year medical students and help train family practice residents in pediatrics. Work closely with Seattle Children’s Hospital Alaska Track Pediatric Residency Program during their rotations in Anchorage, Bethel and Fairbanks