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LAST CHANCE- Call for Nominations - Chapter Awards

Deadline: Friday, July 31st

Send to: ashley.politz@laaap.org with subject line of "Chapter Awards Nomination"

Include: name of nominee with a few sentences on why that person is being nominated

Description of awards for 2015:

David W. Van Gelder distinguished Service Award—This award is to recognize and honor those rare and dedicated individuals who have contributed substantially to the advancement of the Chapter.

Dr. David Van Gelder served as AAP President from 1976-77. During his tenure, the Academy finalized a voluntary continuing education and assessment program leading to recertification and energized efforts to develop child health planning at state and local levels. In addition, Dr. Van Gelder oversaw changes that were made within the Academy's internal structure to increase efficiency and enhance services for members. He was a vocal advocate for creating a national immunization policy. Under his presidency, the Academy adopted a statement advocating such a policy.

Previous award winners:

2013 H. Jay Collinsworth, MD, FAAP
 2011 Stewart Gordon, MD, FAAP
 2009 Michael Judice, MD
 2007 Keith Perrin, MD, FAAP
 2006 Not Given
 2004 Jean Takenaka, MD
 2002 John Lewy, MD, FAAP
 2000 Louis Trachtman, MD
 1998 Gary Peck, MD, FAAP
 1996 Bettina C. Hilman, MD
 1994 Wallace Dunlap, MD, FAAP
 1992 Larry Hebert, MD
 1990 David Van Gelder

Charles M Vanchiere Award—This award is given to recognize special efforts to improve the health of children in Louisiana by increasing their access to needed health care.

Dr. Charles M. "Buzzy" Vanchiere was a private pediatrician in Lake Charles, Louisiana, for nearly 30 years, and a tireless advocate for children's services. He pushed the private sector to accept Medicaid patients when the state first allowed them to bill for screening and diagnostic services. He was president of the LA Chapter of AAP at the time that the federal State Child Health Insurance Legislation was enacted and he was a major force in assuring that Louisiana took advantage of this new opportunity to cover children. He served on medical committees in his parish, in the state and for the American Academy of Pediatrics. He organized and led the Pediatric Society of Southwest Louisiana and the LSU Pediatric Alumni Association. He chaired the Pediatric Advisory Committee for Medicaid and was a member of the Blue Cross Physician Executive Committee. He was also active in the "Children's Miracle Network" and received it "Miracle Makers" award in 1995 for outstanding service to that program. Dr. Vanchiere died in the year 2000 at the young age of 60 and the Chapter established this award in his name to honor outstanding child advocates.

Previous award winners:

2013 Not given
 2011 Steve Bienvenu, MD, FAAP
 2010 Jimmy Guidry, MD
 2009 Steven Spedale, MD
 2008 J. Ruth Kennedy, Kay Gaudet
 2007 Geoffrey Nagle, PhD, MPH, LCSW
 2006 William Gill, MD and Joan Wightkin, PhD
 2005 Gov. Kathleen Blanco
 2004 Lt. Gov. Mitch Landrieu
 2003 Sen. John T. "Tom" Schedler
 2002 David Hood*
 2000 Rep. Shirley Bowler

Elizabeth E. Cassinelli Award—This award is given in recognition of special efforts relevant to women's careers in pediatrics-at academic institutions, as basic scientist or clinicians, and in the private sector.

Dr. Libby Cassinelli was a general pediatrician who spent her career in Shreveport/Bossier City. She was in private practice, then worked at Barksdale AFB where she practiced until her retirement, and closed her career at the LSU Med School in Shreveport. During her career, she organized the NW LA Pediatric Society, served in every office, and personally arranged up to 4 lectureships annually for the members. She worked in the community for children's services and was well known for her advocacy for women in medicine.

Previous award winners:

2013 Sue Berry, MD, FAAP
 2011 Jane El-Dahr, MD, FAAP
 2009 Barbara Golden, MD
 2007 Henryne A. Loudon, MD
 2005 Katherine M. Knight, MD
 2003 Carolyn Duncan, MD, FAAP

2000 Bettina Hilman
1998 A. Joanne Gates
1996 Sheila Moore

Outstanding Pediatric Society—This award recognizes the president of the regional society for the society’s outstanding programs or accomplishments.

Previous award winners:

2013 Northwestern Pediatric Society
2011 Baton Rouge Pediatric Society
2009 Acadian
2007 Acadiana
2005 Greater New Orleans Pediatric Society
2003 Acadiana
2000 Baton Rouge
1998 Not Given
1996 Greater New Orleans Pediatric Society
1994 Greater New Orleans Pediatric Society
1992 Greater New Orleans Pediatric Society
1990 None

**DHH Offering Back to School Vaccinations across Region Five
Immunization is a safe, effective way to help children avoid getting sick
Monday, July 20, 2015 | Contact: John Ford; 225.342.9010, jpford@la.gov**

Baton Rouge, La. – The Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals will be offering free or low-cost back to school immunizations for qualifying individuals beginning July 21 at parish health units across Region 5.

“Parents need to know that vaccinations are not only safe, but they’re also one of the most successful tools we’ve ever used to help kids stay healthy,” said DHH Immunization Medical Director Dr. Frank Welch. “School vaccination laws have helped significantly reduce the occurrence of vaccine-preventable diseases, including measles, influenza, mumps, whooping cough and pneumonia.”

Children who are uninsured, are American Indian or Alaskan native, or who have insurance that does not cover vaccinations are eligible to receive vaccinations at parish health units. Parents of children who have insurance should contact their primary care provider for vaccination services.

See the schedule below for vaccination clinic dates. To make an appointment or find out if you qualify, call the clinic nearest you.

Calcasieu Parish Health Unit

3236 Kirkman Street
Lake Charles, LA 70601
(337) 478-6020

July 21, 2015 8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

August 4, 2015 8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

Allen Parish Health Unit

145 Hospital Drive
Oakdale, LA 70163
(318) 335-1147

July 28, 2015 8:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Cameron Parish Health Unit

107 Recreation Center Lane

Cameron, LA 70631
(337) 775-5368
July 29, 2015 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
August 5, 2015 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Beauregard Parish Health Unit
216 Evangeline Street
Deridder, LA 70634
(337) 463-4486
July 29, 2015 8:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Jefferson Parish Health Unit
403 Baker Street
Jennings, LA 70546
(337) 824-2193
July 30, 2015 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

The Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals strives to protect and promote health statewide and to ensure access to medical, preventive and rehabilitative services for all state citizens. To learn more about DHH, visit www.dhh.louisiana.gov. For up-to-date health information, news and emergency updates, follow DHH's [Twitter](#) account and [Facebook](#).

LSBME Proposed Telemedicine Rules DRAFT

The Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners has published draft rules related to telemedicine. [Click Here to read draft](#)

DHH Letter to Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast, Inc.

To view the letter online: <https://t.e2ma.net/message/80ril/8k3s4k>

July 15, 2015
Melaney Linton
Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast, Inc.
4600 Gulf Freeway Houston, TX 77023

Dear Melaney Linton,

Our administration was shocked to learn of the allegations that some Planned Parenthood affiliates are contracting with companies to sell or transfer human body parts and organs. The Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals has oversight over all health facilities in the state and it is our duty to ensure that any provider operating under or applying for a facility license follow all local, state and federal laws. Violating local, state or federal law would be grounds for denying a license application or revoking an existing license.

In light of the news reports and allegations surrounding Planned Parenthood, we request your organization answer some simple questions about your current operations and planned operations in Louisiana to ensure it is in compliance with Louisiana law.

Please respond to the following questions by July 24, 2015.

1. How do Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast facilities, or any affiliates, subsidiaries or associates thereof, dispose of unborn baby remains? Please provide us with details of that process.
2. Do any Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast facilities, or any affiliates, subsidiaries or associates thereof, sell or donate any unborn baby organs or body parts?
3. Do any Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast facilities, or any affiliates, subsidiaries or associates thereof, contract with companies that assist Planned Parenthood with disposing of, donating, or selling of unborn baby organs or body parts? If so, please describe exactly what these companies do with the unborn baby remains.
4. Please provide the names and addresses of any and all companies that Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast facilities, or any affiliates, subsidiaries or associates thereof, contract with for the disposal, donation, or sale of unborn baby organs or

body parts.

5. How many clinics operated by Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast, or any affiliates, subsidiaries or associates thereof, do business with StemExpress, or any other organizations in the business of selling or donating the remains of unborn babies?

6. What information do you provide to the women in Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast facilities, or any affiliates, subsidiaries or associates thereof, regarding the selling, donation, and/or disposal of their unborn baby's body parts?

7. Please confirm that no existing Louisiana Planned Parenthood facilities, or any affiliates, subsidiaries or associates thereof, offer abortion or abortion-related services, given that none of your Louisiana facilities are licensed as abortion providers

8. How many Louisiana Planned Parenthood facilities, or any affiliates, subsidiaries or associates thereof, offer pregnancy option information that directs patients to abortion clinics that do business with StemExpress, the Planned Parenthood partner that boasts about "financial profits" that come from harvesting and distributing aborted unborn baby body parts?

9. How many existing Louisiana Planned Parenthood facilities, or any affiliates, subsidiaries or associates thereof, have business ties of any kind with StemExpress, or any other organizations in the business of selling or donating the remains of unborn babies?

10. Will the New Orleans clinic for which you are planning to apply to DHH for a license have any business ties with StemExpress, or any other organizations in the business of selling or donating the remains of unborn babies?

11. Your website notes that you offer "alternative pregnancy options." Where do you direct people interested in alternative pregnancy options? Have you verified that these facilities do not have any business ties with StemExpress or any other organizations in the business of selling or donating the remains of unborn babies?

We await your response.

Sincerely,
Secretary Kathy Kliebert

Medicaid/ Bayou Health

Billing of Shared Savings Plan Claims after July 31, 2015

To view the online notice, [click here](#)

Claims for Bayou Health Shared Savings Plan members formerly enrolled in CHS or UHC with dates of prior to February 1, 2015, should be submitted for payment to the appropriate Shared Savings Plan no later than July 31, 2015. After July 31, 2015, claims for these members must be submitted directly to Molina for payment. Claims submitted to CHS and UHC after July 31, 2015 will deny with edit 998 "submit claim to Molina for processing".

When submitting claims to Molina, please adhere to the instructions below:

- Hard Copy Claims – Use billing instructions provided for your provider/claim type found at http://www.lamedicaid.com/provweb1/billing_information/medicaid_billing_index.htm.

Reminder: Always submit claims with the 13 digit Medicaid Recipient ID and 7 digit Legacy Medicaid provider number for billing and servicing providers when submitting claims to Molina. Include appropriate attachments and/or proof of timely filing if necessary.

- Electronic Claims – Use the appropriate 837 electronic transaction in the 5010 HIPAA Companion Guide for your provider/claim type found at http://www.lamedicaid.com/provweb1/HIPAA/5010v_HIPAA_Index.htm.

Again, always submit claims with the 13 digit Medicaid Recipient ID number.

If you have any questions, please contact Molina's Provider Relations at 1-800-473-2783.

Bayou Health Informational Bulletins for Providers

[Informational Bulletin 15-10: Applied Behavior Analysis](#)

[Informational Bulletin 15-9: Shared Savings Close Out Notice](#)

Informational Bulletins cover a variety of topics related to Bayou Health, and all are available [here](#).

Health Plan Advisories

[Bayou Health Plan Advisory 15-21: Timely Filing Update](#)

Effective Aug. 1, 2015, Louisiana will change the current timely filing requirements from 180 days to 365 days for all Managed Care Organization (MCO) claims. This change is a result of Act 21 of the 2015 Louisiana Legislative Regular Session. MCOs must ensure that necessary system changes are completed so that claims with dates of service on and after Feb 1, 2015 are not inappropriately denied for timely filing of 180 days.

Health Plan Advisories are available at <http://new.dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/page/1734>

SUDIA Recipe: Blues Buster Blueberry Peach Smoothie

This fruity, protein-packed blueberry peach smoothie is sure to help you recharge and boost energy levels.

Ease: Easy

Yield: 3 (8-ounce) servings (24 ounces)

Preparation Time: 10 minutes

Source: Rebecca Egsieker

Ingredients

8 ounces low-fat vanilla Greek yogurt

3/4 cup frozen blueberries

3/4 cup frozen peaches

1/2 cup low-fat milk

2 tablespoons honey

1 cup ice cubes



Directions

Combine yogurt, fruit, milk, honey and ice in a blender. Blend until smooth and frothy. Serve in a chilled glass immediately.

For more information and recipes visit www.southeastdairy.org

Upcoming Events

2015 Crescent City Potpourri

Date: August 21-23, 2015

Location: New Orleans Sheraton
500 Canal St.
New Orleans, LA

Hotel Information:



A specific block of rooms are available for this conference until the block is SOLD or until Monday, August 3, 2015. Please make your reservations early!

Room rates per night are: Single & Double = \$129 | Triple = \$154

Reservations can be made by calling 1-888-627-7033 and using group name "Pediatric Potpourri 2015" or by following this link: <https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/res?id=1502261391&key=26A325BD>

Rates do not include applicable state and local taxes, currently 13% plus \$3 Occupancy Tax per room per night, as well as Statutory Act 410 Tourism Support Assessment of 1.75% for each room rate, per room per night., or the following automatic or mandatory charges (e.g., resort charges): . No automatic or mandatory charges are tips, gratuities, or services charges for employees, unless otherwise expressly stated.

Early Departure Fee: An early departure fee of one night's room and tax will apply if a Customer attendee checks out prior to the confirmed checkout date.

Cancellation Policy: An individual reservation can be cancelled without a penalty as long as it is cancelled before 72 hours prior to arrival. If the cancellation occurs within 72 hours, one nights room and tax will be charged to credit card holding the reservation.

REGISTER NOW

Registration Brochures will soon arrive in your mailbox. Be on the lookout!

Potpourri Agenda:

Friday: 8/21/15

10:00 am- Exhibit Hall Opens

11:30 am- 12:30 pm- Registration and Box Lunch

12:30 - 12:45- Welcome and Introductions

12:45 - 1:30- "ICD 10 for Pediatrics" (Jan Blanchard)

1:30 - 2:15- "Financial Reports that all pediatricians should monitor monthly" (Paul Vanchiere)

2:15 - 3:00- "E and M leveling and monitoring" (Jan Blanchard)

3:00 - 3:15- Q and A

3:15 - 3:45- Break and Exhibit viewing

3:45 - 5:00- Panel Discussion: "The Health of Louisiana Children enrolled in the Medicaid Program: Where are we and where are we going?" Moderated by Bryan Sibley, MD

5:00- Adjourn

5:30 - 7:00- Resident Posters and Social- Sponsored by Children's Hospital of New Orleans

Saturday: 8/22/15

7:15 - 8 am- Registration/ Continental Breakfast/ Exhibit Viewing

8:00 - 8:15- Opening Remarks and Introductions

8:15 - 8:30- Resident #1 LSUHSC NO – Veronica Fabrizio MD "Sick Neonate w/ Skin Rash" (Histiocytosis) |

8:30 - 8:45- Resident #2 LSUHSC Shreveport

8:45 - 9:00- Resident #3 Tulane/Ochsner's – Courtney Crayne MD "Macrophage Activation Syndrome in an Infant with IVIG Resistant Kawasaki Disease"

9:00 - 9:15- Resident #4 OLOL Baton Rouge

9:15 - 9:30- Q and A

9:30 - 10:00- Break/ Exhibit Viewing

10:00 - 10:45- Pharyngitis: Group A Strep and other causes (Angella Myers, MD) Kansas City

10:45 - 11:30- Immunization Update (John Vanchiere MD) Shreveport

11:30 - 12:15 pm- Preparing for International Travel (Angela Myers MD)

12:15 - 12:30- Q and A

12:30 - 1:45- Lunch, LAAAP Annual Business Meeting & Awards

1:45 - 2:30- Obesity #1 (Brian Knox MD)

2:30 - 3:15- Obesity #2 (Brian Knox MD)

3:15 - 3:30- Q and A

3:30 - 3:45- Break

3:45 - 5:30- Master Pediatrician Presentations, Moderator- Danny Bronfin, MD

5:30- Adjourn

Sunday: 8/23/15

7:15 - 8 am- Registration/ Continental Breakfast

8:00 - 8:15- Opening remarks / Introductions

8:15 - 9:00- Voiding Dysfunction (Christopher Roth MD - CHNO)

9:00 - 9:45- Orthopedic Problems in Newborn Nursery (Brad Culotta MD -OLOL BR)

9:45 - 10:00- Q and A

10:00 - 10:15- Break

10:15 - 11:00- Food Allergies: Controversies (Jane El Dahr MD - Tulane)

11:00 - 11:45- Management of Chest Wall Deformities (Vincent "Butch" Adolph MD - Ochsner)

11:45 am - 12:00 pm- Q and A

12:00 pm- Closing Remarks / Adjourn

General Registration Information:

REFUND POLICY - refunds of any activity fees will be made if cancellations are made prior to Monday, August 17, 2015. Absolutely no request for refunds will be honored after this date. No-shows are not eligible for a refund.

REGISTRATION - all participants of the conference must register with the registration desk at the conference prior to all events. Name badges will be provided and will be required for admittance to all activities.

PARKING – parking is available at the Sheraton New Orleans. Below are the rates:

\$12.00 + tax for daily parking

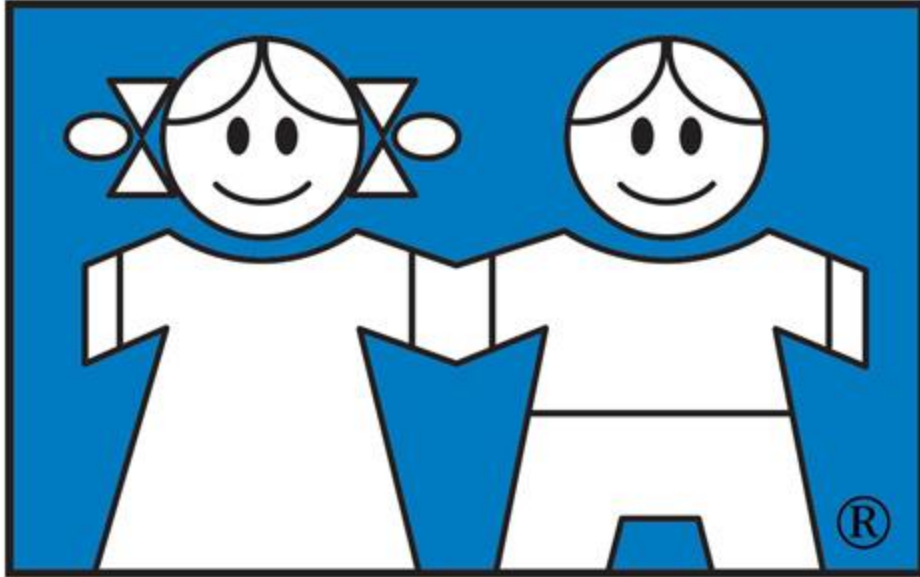
\$30.00 + tax for overnight parking

DRESS ATTIRE - business casual - consider layered clothing as heating and cooling conditions may vary.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE - All pre-registrations for this conference must be received at Woman's Foundation office no later than August 20, 2015. Onsite registration will be available each day.

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2015 Childhood Obesity & Public Health Conference

Save the Date!

Wednesday October 28, 2015

The 2015 Pennington Biomedical Research Center
Childhood Obesity & Public Health Conference

This is the eighth annual childhood obesity and public health conference to be held at the **Pennington Biomedical Research Center on Wednesday, October 28, 2015**. Given the emphasis on developing evidence-based public health strategies targeting childhood obesity, the topic of this conference is on local Louisiana researchers and how their work is having an impact at the national level.

Learning Objectives

The participants in this conference will be able to:

- comprehend the extent of the problem of childhood obesity in Louisiana
- understand the current local and national landscapes with respect to pediatric obesity prevention and treatment health care reimbursement
- describe the “Challenge for a Healthier Louisiana” program and its state-wide impact
- understand the potential of local pediatric obesity research to have a national impact

Who Should Attend?

This conference is designed for professionals engaged in public health efforts, including: physicians, nutritionists, physical activity specialists, registered dietitians, nurses, health educators, psychologists, and counselors; healthcare policy makers, researchers, media, business and civic leaders, parks and recreation personnel, and early childhood and school-age educators and decision-makers.

How to Register?

Registration for this conference is not yet open. You will receive an email informing you when online registration becomes available.

2015 National Pediatric Disaster Coalition Conference

You are invited to attend the National Pediatric Disaster Coalition Conference (NPDC) November 2-4, 2015 at the Camelback Inn Resort and Spa in Scottsdale, Arizona. The purpose of the NPDC is to provide medical practitioners; clinical staff; hospital emergency management; other hospital representatives; prehospital providers; educators, school nurses and other school representatives; behavioral health providers; and faith-based organization representatives with tools, training, resources, and information **to improve pediatric disaster preparedness**. Speakers will examine a broad spectrum of pediatric disaster response, resilience, extended care, recovery, and coalition topics as gleaned from surviving Hurricane Sandy, the Boston Marathon bombing, the Joplin tornado, the Sandy Hook shooting, and more. Continuing Education Credits are available, and accommodations are available for access and functional needs populations.

The National Advisory Committee on Children and Disasters’ Surge Capacity Work Group Report (April 28, 2015) “recommended to ASPR to . . . support convening pediatric health care coalition and preparedness stakeholders annually to assess strategic planning, gap analysis, and mitigation tactics for addressing . . . threats with national implications.” In addition, the NACCD states “coalitions will benefit from . . . sharing information, strategies, resources, and challenges, and thus [identifying] many unused and unrecognized tools existing at the local, state, and national levels [to] . . . avoid reinventing the wheel with each response . . .”

Registration has started (early bird registration is \$485, regular registration begins July 1, 2015 at \$585, and late registration begins October 1 at \$685). For additional information, go to npdcconference.org. For questions, contact Deb Roepke at deb.roepke@coyotecrisis.org or 480.861.5722.

Opportunities and Job Announcements



Children's International Medical Group is a SE Louisiana based company with multiple clinics throughout the state and is searching for compatible Pediatric practices to merge with and develop a professional relationship of mutual benefits. Our unique structure relieves the Pediatrician from the day to day management and operation of the practice while allowing them to become much more productive by focusing on patient care and improving their overall lifestyle with much autonomy and flexibility. For more information, please contact Zach Allen, Senior Vice President of Business Development at zach.allen@cimgpeds.com or visit us on the web at www.cimgpeds.com

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