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Speak up for Kids at the Ballot Box Midterm elections approaching on Nov. 4

Congress is busy preparing for the national midterm elections, and you should be, too! The AAP is helping to ensure you are equipped with the information you need before Election Day on **Tuesday, Nov. 4**.



Now is the time to speak up for children at the ballot box and **cast your vote in support of children's health.**

This year, the full House of Representatives and one-third of the Senate are up for re-election. In addition, candidate races for state governors, state representatives and local government officials are underway. Before the election on Nov. 4, find out who is running and make sure you are registered to vote in your state by visiting Vote411.org.

Your vote is necessary to ensure that children have a voice on Capitol Hill and in state legislatures across the country. Children do not have a vote, but you do!

To cast your vote on Election Day:

- Register to vote or check your registration status by visiting Vote411.org.
- If you are unable to vote in-person, request to vote by mail.
 - o **Medical students, residents and fellows:** If you are training in a state that differs from where you

are registered to vote, request an absentee ballot to vote by mail in your home state.

- Participate in the midterm election by visiting your local polling place on November 4.

In advance of the election, find out where your current members of Congress and candidates running for office stand on federal child health policy issues important to you.

Learn more:

- Visit Vote411.org for a list of candidates who are running for office in your area.
- Go to federaladvocacy.aap.org for more information on critical child health federal policy topics.
- Read the [2014 State Elections Guide for AAP Chapters](#) and download [related resources](#) like posters, stickers and poll time reminders.

New Rule Means More Flexibility For EHR Technology
Source: Louisiana Health Care Quality Forum

Federal health officials have given providers more control over how they use certified electronic health record technology (CEHRT) to meet Meaningful Use objectives.

The new rule specifically applies to the 2014 reporting period for the EHR Incentive Programs, established by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

All eligible providers and hospitals can use the 2011 CEHRT Edition or a combination of 2011 and 2014 Edition for the Incentive Programs.

CMS says the change gives providers more flexibility in meeting key aspects of meaningful use, such as providing clinical summaries to patients and reporting on public health data.

“The new rule issued by the Department of Health and Human Services enhances both providers’ and hospitals’ ability to better serve patients and improves the likelihood of more facilities reaching Meaningful Use standards,” says Nadine Robin, Health IT Program Director for the Louisiana Health Information Technology Center (LHIT) Resource Center. “As the state’s Regional Extension Center, we are prepared to help providers understand the new rule and continue their efforts to meet Meaningful Use.”

According to CMS, the rule also finalizes the Stage 2 extension of meaningful use for certain providers through 2016 and announces the Stage 3 timeline, which is set to begin in 2017. This applies to providers who began utilizing EHRs meaningfully in 2011 or 2012.

To read the final rule, click [here](#). For questions about the rule, please contact the LHIT Resource Center at 225.334.9299.





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SUIDA Recipe: Firecracker Smashed Potatoes

Crispy smashed potatoes are the best of both worlds, delivering mashed potato creaminess with the crackling crisp crust of roasted potatoes. Add nutrient rich light Jalapeno Cheddar Cheese and make an ordinary side dish pop like the Fourth of July. Bring excitement and nine essential vitamins and minerals like calcium, potassium and vitamin D to your dinner table!

Ingredients

- 1 whole head garlic, top trimmed
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 3 pounds Idaho or russet potatoes, scrubbed
- pinch of Kosher salt
- 8 ounces Cabot 50% Light Jalapeno Cheddar cheese, grated
- 2 tablespoons chopped canned chipotle peppers in adobo sauce
- canned sliced jalapeno peppers for garnish



Directions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Put garlic head on large square of aluminum foil and drizzle with oil. Gather foil around garlic, twisting top to close tightly. Bake 60 minutes or until pulp is golden and very soft. When cool enough to handle, break apart cloves and squeeze pulp from each into small bowl; mash to puree with fork.

In large pot of boiling, salted water, cook potatoes until tender, about 20 minutes. Drain well and return to pot. Add cheese, chipotle peppers and garlic puree. Mash to combine, leaving potatoes very chunky. Garnish with jalapeno peppers.

Recipe Source: Recipe created by Cabot Creamery

Nutrition Information

Calories: 323

Fat: 7 g

Saturated Fat: 4 g

Cholesterol: 20 mg

Sodium: 423 mg

Calcium: 30% Daily Value

Protein: 15 g

Carbohydrates: 50 g

For more information and recipes visit www.southeastdairy.org

Upcoming Events

Primary Prevention Of HPV Related Cancers: HPV Vaccines

LA Chapter American Academy of Pediatrics

www.laaap.org

Presented by
Dr. Joseph Bocchini, Jr., MD, FAAP

[Objectives]

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- Review epidemiology & outcomes of HPV infection
- Discuss rationale for current HPV vaccine recommendations
- Review recent uptake data and early impact evidence
- Review 2 dose data and discuss investigational 9-valent vaccine

[Time]

6:00 - 6:30 pm Registration, Dinner (Please arrive by 6:30 pm to make your meal selection)
6:30 – 8:00 pm Presentation, Q&A, Evaluation

[Dates/ Location]

Sept. 3 - Lake Charles

Pats of Henderson, 1500 Siebarth Dr.

Sept. 4 – Lafayette

Marcellos Wine Market Café, 340 Kaliste Saloom Rd.

Sept. 9 – Shreveport

Anvil Bar & Grill, 6301 Line Dr.

Sept. 24- Covington

The Dakota, 629 N. Hwy. 190

Oct. 2 – Monroe

Geno's Italian, 705 N. 8th St.

Oct. 21 – New Orleans

Zea Rotisserie & Grill, 525 St. Charles Ave.

Oct. 22 - Thibodaux

Location, TBD

To register, go to: www.hpv-la.eventbrite.com and select the date you will attend.

Continuing Education Credits:

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Louisiana State Medical Society (LSMS) through joint sponsorship of Woman's Foundation, Inc. and the Louisiana Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics. The Woman's Foundation, Inc. is accredited by Louisiana State Medical Society to provide continuing medical education for physicians and takes responsibility for the content, quality, and scientific integrity of this CME activity.

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Louisiana Governor's Safety and Health Conference

October 6-7, 2014
Crowne Plaza Baton Rouge

A collective venue for information sharing, networking, and learning.

Connect with some of the best minds in safety, health, corporate wellness, emergency preparedness, and risk management. Leave with best practices and the latest tools to make your workplace a safer and healthier place for you and your fellow employees. Relevant exhibitors and high-quality speakers make this a must-attend conference!



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Conference Information

2014 Registration Now Open
[Click here to register](#)

2014 Conference Location
Crown Plaza Baton Rouge
4728 Constitution Ave.
Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Louisiana Primary Care Association's (LPCA) 31st Annual Continuing Education Conference

October 15-18, 2014 at the Shreveport Convention Center in Shreveport, LA.

Learn more using the links below:

[Annual Conference Schedule at a Glance](#)

[Annual Conference Educational Sessions](#)

• [REGISTER for the Annual Conference](#)



American Public Health Association's (APHA) 2014 Annual Meeting and Exposition

Nov. 15-19, 2014, New Orleans.

APHA's Annual Meeting & Exposition serves as the home for public health professionals to convene, learn, network and engage with peers. With the Annual Meeting, we strengthen the profession of public health, share the latest research and information, promote best practices and advocate for public health issues and policies grounded in research. Come experience APHA.

[Register Now](#)

