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## 2015 Louisiana Elections

Louisiana voters headed to the polls over the weekend to cast their votes for state and local leaders. To view the full list of results go to: <https://voterportal.sos.la.gov/Graphical>. There you can search for your local election results as well.

Congratulations to the following for winning their state-wide runoff:

**John Bel Edwards**- elected as the next Louisiana Governor

**"Billy" Nungesser**- elected as the next Louisiana Lieutenant Governor

**"Jeff" Landry**- elected as the next Attorney General

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**AAP President Elect Votes Are In**  
**Source: [AAP News](#)**

**Dr. Stein selected as AAP president-elect**

Alyson Sulaski Wyckoff, Associate Editor



Fernando Stein, M.D., FAAP, of Houston, has been elected AAP president-elect. He ran against Lynda M. Young, M.D., FAAP, of Worcester, Mass.

Dr. Stein follows Benard P. Dreyer, M.D., FAAP, of New York, who assumes the office of AAP president Jan. 1, 2016. Dr. Stein takes over as president on Jan. 1, 2017.

Voters also approved a referendum to the bylaws permitting chapters to send an alternate member to participate and vote in District Nominating Committee meetings when the chapter president or vice president is unable to do so.

Election results for other AAP national offices are as follows:

**DISTRICT I**

**District Vice Chairperson**

Wendy Davis, M.D., FAAP (re-elected)

**National Nominating Committee**

Sandra Carbonari, M.D., FAAP

**DISTRICT III**

**District Chairperson**

David I. Bromberg, M.D., FAAP (re-elected)

**DISTRICT IVA**

**National Nominating Committee**

Michelle D. Fiscus, M.D., FAAP

**DISTRICT VI**

**District Chairperson**

Pamela K. Shaw, M.D., FAAP (re-elected)

**District Vice Chairperson**

Anne Edwards, M.D., FAAP

**DISTRICT VII**

**National Nominating Committee**

Oscar (Skip) W. Brown III, M.D., FAAP

**DISTRICT IX**

**District Chairperson**

Stuart A. Cohen, M.D., M.P.H., FAAP (re-elected)

### **Mid Year Deficit Reductions Outlined- Includes 2 Week Delay on Payments**

The Division of Administration had to outline its plan for addressing the 2015 budget deficit and the projected 2016 deficit to the Joint Budget Committee. The plan won favorable passage from the committee. Outlined below is the part of the DHH strategy that is most likely to impact your practice. To read the full outline, go to: <http://media.nola.com/politics/other/Mid-Year%20Deficit%20Elimination%20Plan%2011-18-15.pdf>

-- \$126.2 million State General Fund savings from implementing additional Medicaid fraud identification initiatives, including extending the Bayou Health payment review period from 7 days to 21 days. This will give the DHH Program Integrity Section increased time to verify the legitimacy and accuracy of payments due for adjudicated claims, reduce potential for fraudulent transactions, and reduce the need for recoupment of improperly disbursed funds through "pay and chase"

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### **Bayou Health Informational Bulletins for Providers**

REVISED [Informational Bulletin 12-16](#), "Algorithm for Auto Assignment to a Health Plan" has been revised. Please note that two additional flowcharts have been created to depict the auto assignment for specialized behavioral health services (effective 12/1/15) and for auto assignment of general Bayou Health recipients (effective 2/1/15).

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

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### **Health Plan Advisories**

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

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## **Upcoming Events**

***Tulane Saturday Pediatric Series***  
*Updates on Pediatric Nutrition and GI*  
Saturday, December 12, 2015

Registration 9:00 am – 10:00 am  
Conference 10:00 am - 1:30 pm

**Presented by**  
Tulane University School of Medicine Department of Pediatrics  
and the Tulane University Center for Continuing Education

**Location**  
Ralph's on the Park  
900 City Park Avenue



New Orleans, LA

**Topics are scheduled to include:**

Updates on Food Allergies

Obesity

Dealing with Food Aversion and Refusal

Use of Donor Milk for Newborns

This activity has been approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™.

Registration Fee is \$35

Online registration is open at <http://tulane.edu/cce/>

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***Red River Potpourri***

August 19-21, 2016

Shreveport Convention Center

Shreveport, LA

Registration details will be forthcoming

[www.womansfoundation.com](http://www.womansfoundation.com)

Call us for more information 337.988.1816

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