



## NE Chapter, AAP Newsletter



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### **From the Chapter President**

Our chapter's strategic plan identified mental health as an area of focus for chapter activities. To address this need, the Nebraska Chapter of AAP will collaborate with the Nebraska Regional Council of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (ROCAP) to present "Meeting the Mental Health Needs of Children Through Collaborative Care". The conference, scheduled the afternoon of March 22 in Omaha, will serve as a forum for presentations, discussions and networking between Nebraska pediatricians and child and adolescent psychiatrists. We are hoping that this would be the beginning of an important alliance that would bring along progress in care coordination between pediatric primary care and mental health collaboration in the state.

Please mark you calendar and plan to join us (see information on the conference below). Strong representation from our members will provide a range of perspectives and enrich the discussion.

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We welcome your thoughts and value your engagement in this initiative and any other areas of chapter activity.

Best Regards,

Arwa Nasir, MD  
President

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### ***SPRING CONFERENCE*** ***in collaboration with ROCAP***

## "Meeting the Mental Health Needs of Children Through Collaborative Care"

**March 22, 2018**

**Beacon Hill (Aksarben), Omaha, NE**

**Sessions 3:00 - 6:00 PM**

**Networking Dinner 6:30-8:00 PM**

Mark your calendar and plan to attend.  
More details to come.

American Academy of Pediatrics  
**Legislative**  
CONFERENCE

**WASHINGTON, DC**  
APRIL 8-10, 2018

**2018 AAP  
Legislative Conference  
registration is open!**

Visit [aap.org/legcon](http://aap.org/legcon) for more  
information and registration.

### **NE AAP MEMBERS:**

**Get Involved.  
Share Your Talents.  
Use Your Voice.  
Make a Difference.**

Calling all members! What are your areas of interest? What expertise or talents could you share? We want you to get involved and help NE AAP to support your profession and make a positive difference in the lives of Nebraska's children.

**Are you interested in serving as a champion and assisting in securing and implementing grants?** A number of grant opportunities through AAP and CATCH will become available in January.

**Would you be willing to serve on the board or a committee?**

No matter what your talents are areas of interest, or how much or how little time you have to give - choose to get involved.

Reach out to a board or executive committee member. Call Laura Polak at 402-393-1415 or email [director@nebraska-aap.org](mailto:director@nebraska-aap.org).

## **New AAP Policy Statements:**

### **Global Human Trafficking and Child Victimization**

from the  
*Committee on Child Abuse and Neglect,  
Section on International Child Health*

### **Stigma Experienced by Children and Adolescents With Obesity**

from the  
*Section on Obesity, the Obesity Society*

### **Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Care of Girls and Women With Turner Syndrome**

### **Infection Prevention and Control in Pediatric Ambulatory Settings**

from the  
*Committee on Infectious Diseases*

### **Sexual and Reproductive Health Care Services in the Pediatric Setting**

from the  
*Committee on Adolescence*

### **The Care of Children With Congenital Heart Disease in Their Primary Medical Home**

from the  
*Section on Cardiology, Cardiac Surgery*