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# South Carolina Chapter

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## SCAAP Newsletter

September 2022

### President's Message

Friends,

How is it already September? Your SCAAP team has been busy in the last month!

- Along with SC Cancer Alliance, SC ACS, MUSC Hollings Cancer Center, Clemson Univ Dep't of Public Health Sciences, & Presbyterian College of Pharmacy, we signed on to SC Cancer Alliance HPV workgroup's request to have SIMON begin forecasting **HPV vaccine reminders beginning at 9yo**.
- With assistance from Lutine & SC Children's Trust, we **submitted a grant application** focused on positive childhood experiences & prevention of child abuse.
- I was invited to testify on behalf of SCAAP at the **Senate Medical Affairs Committee** hearing on 8/17/22 among other experts including OB/GYNs, REI specialists, and Peds GYN specialists. I spoke in support of reproductive rights and choice for children and adolescents based on AAP policy/statements. The committee heard invited experts in the morning for ~4h and then public testimony in the afternoon. If you'd like to review the video archives, see them [here](#).
- Your executive committee continues to meet every other Wednesday with Lutine, so please send along any issues for consideration!
- SCAAP provided input for a [policy agenda](#) developed by **SC Coalition for Safer Schools**, a cross-sector collaboration of advocacy associations focused on the well-being of children in South Carolina. In recent months, these groups have worked to develop a 2023 School Safety Agenda to advocate for local, state, and federal policy actions that can enhance the safety of children, both in schools and in communities. **Dr. Jeff Holloway** (Prisma Health- Midlands) represented SCAAP at the **press conference** on 8/26/22! He was joined by representatives from PSTA, SC

- SCAAP signed on to St. Jude **HPV Prevention Program's** [Path to a Bright Future](#) public awareness campaign.
- Dr. Martha Edwards met with the SC Immunization Coalition and SCAAP will partner with their “**Every Visit a Vaccine Visit**” campaign. You may see some of our social media offerings around this work!
- Drs. Martha Edwards & Ramkumar Jayagopalan are knee-deep in **CATCH planning - mark your calendar - Jan 20-22, 2023**, at Francis Marion Hotel in Charleston.
- We met with **ICS** to discuss our agreement and they will continue to be a strong partner in our work!
- AAP (not specifically SCAAP), ACOG, AMA, and the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine (SMFM) have signed an **amicus brief** to be filed in state court in SC in mid-Sept arguing that state law restricting abortion care conflicts with state constitutional privacy and equal protection provisions. A similar brief is upcoming in KY as well.
- Finalized contract for **SCAAP summer meeting 2023: August 10-13, 2023 at Grove Park Inn.**

**Elizabeth Mack, MD, MS, FAAP**

*President*

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### **Telehealth subcommittee seeking members**

The SCAAP telehealth subcommittee has had some turnover and the new leader is Dr. Jimmy McElligott. Please email him ([mcellig@musc.edu](mailto:mcellig@musc.edu)) this month if you're interested! He's an innovative leader and will certainly take us to the next level! We are looking for any interested members including trainees!

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### **SC Foster Care Project Echo opportunity**

[See flyer here](#) for SC Foster Care Collaborative teleECHO offerings from Select Health! Check it out!

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### **New AAP President-Elect announced this week!**

Dr. Ben Hoffman is your new AAP President-Elect and will be president in 2024. Read more about him [here](#).

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Check out [this issue](#) for our latest actionable issue! If you sent an action

before on this issue, do it again...we adjust the recipients based on where the bill is in the process.

From Coalition for Safer Schools (mentioned on 1st page of newsletter): Check out the [action alert on our Coalition website](#) to email elected officials in support of the School Safety Agenda

Have you signed up to speak at JCLCC? Joint Citizens and Legislative Committee on Children (JCLCC) is an amazing opportunity to provide information to legislators from the House and Senate, as well as key stakeholders who shape many policies that affect the children in South Carolina. Every year the JCLCC hosts hearings across South Carolina that offer a unique opportunity to influence the policy-making process from start to finish, rather than waiting until a bill is actively moving through the legislature. It is strongly recommended that you also sign up to testify prior to the hearings. You can email [comments@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:comments@mailbox.sc.edu) to sign up. You should include your preferred location in that email. There are 4 locations and 5 hearing times to choose from:

- Florence - September 20, 2022 - 5p-7p - Francis Marion University Chapman Auditorium, Robert E. McNair Science Building - 4800 Dr. Heyward Drive
- Charleston - September 22, 2022 - 5p-7p - Charleston County Council Chambers - 4045 Bridge View Drive, North Charleston
- Columbia - October 12, 2022 - 5p-8p - SC Statehouse Grounds - Gressette Building (Senate Building) Room 105
- Greenville - September 29, 2022 - 5p-7p - Greenville County Council Chambers - 301 University Ridge
- Columbia - October 12, 2022 - 9a-12p - SC Statehouse Grounds - Gressette Building (Senate Building) Room 105

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## Student, resident, and fellow membership fees: nudge a trainee today to join!

**Medical Students:** \$25 national AAP, \$0 SCAAP

**Residents:** \$135 national, \$30 SCAAP (usually sponsored by a programs)

**Fellowship Trainees:** \$145 national, \$30 SCAAP

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## When to refer to genetics?

address this need, the Southeast Regional Genetics Network (SERN) developed a [factsheet](#) that describes reasons for referrals to genetics, how to prepare for a genetics visit, and what to expect at the visit. The factsheet is available on the SERN website in both English and Spanish.

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## QTIP Fall QI Workshop

[See flyer here.](#) Practices wishing to participate have 2 options:

- Attend the educational session on Sept 21st only
- Attend the educational session and participate in a 12-week QI workshop (space limited to 12 practices)

For practices attending the 12-week QI workshop, they will be expected to participate in 4 meetings and present your QI project at the conclusion. QTIP will be partnering with SC DHEC and First Choice; practices will be eligible to receive a variety of supports from them. Physicians who complete the workshop and gather data will be eligible to receive ABP MOC Part 4 credits. Registrations should be sent to Marlo Thomas Koger [marlo.thomas-koger@scdhhs.gov](mailto:marlo.thomas-koger@scdhhs.gov)

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**CWBC Presents: “Adolescent Suicide Prevention”**

**Lunch and Learn**

**Friday September 9, 2022 12:00PM – 1:00PM**



In recognition of [National Suicide Prevention Week 2022](#), we would like to invite you to attend the upcoming Lunch and Learn, "*Adolescent Suicide Prevention*."

**Expert Panel:**

**Jennifer Butler, MSW, LISW-CP/S**, South Carolina Department of Mental Health Program Director, Office of Emergency Services

**Judy Rauppius**, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Ending the Silence Regional Program Coordinator – Northern Region

**Moderated By:**

**Dr. Bob Saul, MD**, South Carolina Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics Past President

*During this virtual session, our panel of experts will present adolescent suicide data and prevention resources.*

[Register Now!](#)

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## Rett Syndrome survey opportunity

The International Rett Syndrome Foundation (IRSF) created the [Rett Syndrome Primary Care Guidelines](#) to aid providers in treating individuals with Rett Syndrome. The Greenwood Genetic Center is helping IRSF review the Guidelines to ensure they provide useful recommendations. Please take a moment to help us improve the Guidelines by answering a few questions below. Your anonymous responses will be sent to the Greenwood Genetic Center and shared with IRSF.

[Rett Syndrome Primary Care Guidelines Survey](#)

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## Call for nominations!

### ***2023 SONp Henry Barnett Award – Due September 30, 2022***

The AAP Section on Nephrology annually recognizes 1 individual for lifetime achievement in the field of pediatric nephrology, encompassing those disorders related to the kidney, urinary tract, or hypertension. Nominees should meet at least 1 of the following qualifications:

- Dedication to teaching
- Contributions to advocacy for children
- Distinguished service

Access the nomination form and additional information about the award here. Please submit the necessary information to Suzanne Kirkwood by September 30, 2022.

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## COVID-19 vaccine infographic

The AAP has updated its [vaccine dosing infographic](#) to include guidance on the recently approved Novavax vaccine. This easy reference guide for pediatricians has age-appropriate dosing information for the COVID-19 vaccine, including guidance for moderately to severely immunocompromised children.

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## MPX resources

As of August 24, 2022, there have been 15,909 confirmed cases of monkeypox in the United States. This outbreak is part of a larger global outbreak (>44,500 cases) that is occurring in 96 locations. While the risk of children getting infected with monkeypox virus is low, there has been an increase in pediatric cases reported to the CDC since the initial 2 were confirmed. [Click here](#) for data from the CDC on monkeypox cases by age and gender, race/ethnicity, and symptoms. Other resources from the CDC and AAP include:

- AAP News: [CDC: Students Exposed to Monkeypox Can Attend School, Those Infected Should Stay Home](#)
  - Red Book Online: [Monkeypox Virus Outbreak](#)
  - HealthyChildren.org: [What is Monkeypox?](#)
  - CDC: [Monkeypox Resources and Information](#)
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## Mark your calendars!

### SCAAP Activities:

- **QTIP 's Fall Immunization workshop kickoff:** September 21, 2022 - 12pm to 1.30pm. To register please contact Marlo Thomas-Koger @ [Marlo.Thomas-Koger@scdhhs.gov](mailto:Marlo.Thomas-Koger@scdhhs.gov).
- **SCAAP O. Marion Burton CATCH meeting:** January 20-22, 2023, at Francis Marion Hotel in Charleston
- **SCAAP/ICS State House advocacy day:** March 9, 2023
- **SCAAP summer meeting 2023:** August 10-13, 2023, at Grove Park Inn

### National AAP activities:

- **On 9/7/2022:** [Meet the Red Book Committee, Influenza Update Webinar](#)
- **Due 9/9/2022:** [Nominations for AAP Program Committee Representatives to the PAS Meeting](#)
- **Due 9/11/2022:** [AAP Tobacco Consortium Membership Applications](#)
- **On 9/17/2022:** [Global Health Education Course](#)
- **Due 9/18/2022:** [Applications for VIP Quality Network's Newest QI Project: LIGHT](#)
- **On 9/20/2022:** [AAP Webinar on Tobacco Policy and Opportunities for Advocacy](#)
- **Due 9/30/2022:** [Nominations: 2023 SONp Henry Barnett Award](#)
- **Due 9/30/2022:** [Call for Nominations for PediaLink Editorial Board Chair Position](#)
- **Due 9/30/2022:** [Call for Nominations to the Quality Improvement Education Advisory Group](#)
- **Due 9/30/2022:** [INBSI ECHO Registration](#)

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## SCAAP Information

### SCAAP officers (August 2022 – July 2024):

- Elizabeth Mack, MD, MS, FAAP [mackeli@muscc.edu](mailto:mackeli@muscc.edu) - President
- Martha Edwards, MD, FAAP [mmcedwards@yahoo.com](mailto:mmcedwards@yahoo.com) - VP
- Ramkumar Jayagopalan, MD, FAAP [Ramkumarjayagopalan@gmail.com](mailto:Ramkumarjayagopalan@gmail.com) - Secretary/treasurer
- Bob Saul, MD, FAAP [robertsaul@me.com](mailto:robertsaul@me.com) – Past president & Nominating committee chair

**SCAAP Members with National Roles:**

- Johnny Langley, MD, FAAP: Section on home care, chair
- Julie Linton, MD, FAAP: Section on Immigrant Child and Family Health, chair (was invited, but had COVID 😞)
- Greg Barabell, MD, FAAP: Payer Advocacy Advisory Committee, Chair
- Jennifer Poon, MD, FAAP: Section on developmental and behavioral pediatrics, member
- Elizabeth Mack, MD, MS, FAAP: SCAAP, president; Immediate past chair of Section on Critical Care
- Martha Edwards, MD, FAAP: SCAAP, vice-president
- Routt Reigart, MD, FAAP: Committee on drugs, chair
- Evelyn Rodriguez, MD, MPH, FAAP: Epidemiology, Public Health, and Evidence, executive committee member
- Eliza Varadi, MD, FAAP: Section on Early Career Physicians, District IV representative

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