



Community Pediatrics Goals

(as developed by the CPTI Competencies Workgroup)

1. Culturally Effective Care

Pediatricians must demonstrate skills that result in effective care of children and families from all cultural backgrounds and from diverse communities.

2. Child Advocacy

Recognizing their unique roles, pediatricians should advocate for the well being of patients, families, and communities. They must develop advocacy skills to address relevant individual, community, and population health issues.

3. Medical Home

Pediatricians must be able to identify and/or provide a medical home for all children and families under their care. As defined by the American Academy of Pediatrics, a medical home consists of well-trained physicians, known to the family and patients, who provide accessible, continuous, comprehensive, family-centered and well-coordinated medical care.

4. Special Populations

Pediatricians must be competent in the care of children in special populations, including (but not limited to), children and youth in substitute care, homeless children and youth, children and youth with chronic conditions, immigrants and refugees, and children and youth who are adopted.

5. Pediatrician as a Consultant/Collaborative Leader/Partner

Pediatricians must be able to act as child health consultant in their community. Using collaborative skills, they must be able to work with multidisciplinary teams, community members and representatives from schools, day care facilities, and legislative bodies.

6. Educational and Child Care Settings

Pediatricians must be able to interact with the staff of school and child care settings to improve the health and educational environments for children.

7. Public Health & Prevention

Pediatricians must be able to practice from a population-based perspective and understand relationships between individual, family, and community level health determinants that affect patients and families in the community they serve. Pediatricians must be able to apply community assets and resources to prevent illness, injury, and related morbidity and mortality.

8. Inquiry and Application

Pediatricians should be capable of pursuing inquiry that advances the health of children, families, and communities.