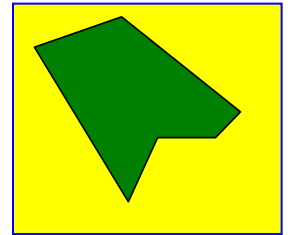


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RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER FACTS.....

I already belong to the National AAP, why should I become a member of the Rhode Island Chapter?

Advocacy

- Increase your knowledge of and participation in legislative and advocacy activities at a local level.
- Increase involvement in the legislative arena to positively influence the quality of pediatric practice and the welfare of children in your state.
- Build coalitions with other organizations working toward improving children's health and well-being.
 - Promote the interests of Rhode Island pediatricians in the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Leadership

- Participate in chapter committees in areas of interest.

Networking

- Network with other pediatricians with similar interests.
- Improve chapter membership participation on national AAP affairs.

Education

- Receive chapter newsletter and other informative mailings.
- Attend local Continuing Medical Education meetings sponsored by the Chapter.
- Prepare yourself for the future role of the pediatrician in the health care system and for the future management of their practices.

What has your Chapter done lately?

- Sponsored 8 local CME events in 2005-2006 for 17 possible CME credits
- Participated on a Tar War's Program actively involving residents to promote share the anti-smoking campaign at schools.
- Worked with the State Health Department on issues like KidsNet, Immunizations, Child Development and Mental Health, Pediatric Practice Enhancement Program
- Established a Pediatric Council as a forum for pediatric payer relations issues and effected legislation that keeps vision screening in the Medical Home
- Worked on several legislative issues including tobacco, mental health, and lead poisoning, and school nutrition, minute clinics. Actively testified on over a dozen bills.
- Actively advocate for children during Katie Becket, SCHIP reauthorization and Medicaid reform discussions
- For 2005 and 2006 received 8 resident and member CATCH grants!
- Developed a formal relationship and provide resident travel grants to Angkor Wat Children's Hospital in Siem Reap, Cambodia
- And much more...

Annual Chapter Dues:

Voting Fellows \$100 Candidate Fellows \$100 Post Resident Fellows \$0

Whom do I contact?

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