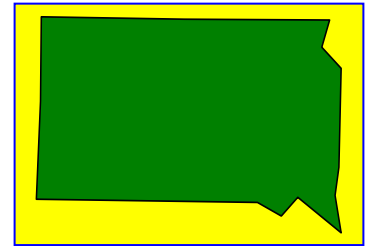


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SOUTH DAKOTA CHAPTER FACTS.....

I already belong to the National AAP, why should I become a member of the South Dakota 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 South Dakota 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 PREP courses and 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?

- Supported efforts in the State to use tobacco settlement money for prevention of smoking in children and also in treatment of individuals with smoking related problems.
- Developed a Legislative Committee to actively evaluate current legislation that has to do with pediatric related topics in the State
- Sponsored the Advanced Pediatric Life Support Course.
- Provided scholarships for USD Medical Students going into pediatric residencies.
- Participated in the Medicaid Task Force with state Medicaid officials and other physicians.
- Supported the South Dakota Voices for Children by helping sponsor Children's Day at the Capitol.
- Provide pediatric input into the quarterly meetings of the SD Medical Association Council.
- Promoting child and adolescent mental health through a Healthy People 2010 grant and participating in the five year Mental Health Initiative by the South Dakota Voices for Children.

Annual Chapter Dues:

Voting Fellows \$75 Candidate Fellows \$50 Post Resident Fellows \$ 0

Whom do I contact?

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