



Council on Community Pediatrics

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### **Opportunities**

#### **Call for Abstracts: Race and Class Inequalities in Health**

*from CityMatCH NewsBriefs, January 7, 2009*

Conceptual and data-based papers are being sought for presentation at the annual Society for Epidemiologic Research (SER) meeting in 2009. There will be a contributed paper session on Race and Class Inequalities in Health. The meeting dates are June 23-26, 2008, in Anaheim, CA. Accepted abstracts will be distributed at the June meeting and will also be published in a Supplement issue of the *American Journal of Epidemiology*. Abstracts must be submitted online at the following web address: <http://epiresearch.org/> Submissions will be accepted until February 2, 2009, 11:59 p.m. EST. For inquiries about this specific session on Race and Class Inequalities in Health, contact Irene Yen ([irene.yen@ucsf.edu](mailto:irene.yen@ucsf.edu)) or Pat O'Campo ([pat.ocampo@utoronto.ca](mailto:pat.ocampo@utoronto.ca)). For information about the conference, please visit the SER website at: [www.epiresearch.org](http://www.epiresearch.org).

#### **Division of Community-based Initiatives January 2009 Funding Announcement Available**

*from AAP Division of Community-based Initiatives*

The monthly issue of DOCBI Funding Announcement has now been posted at <http://www.aap.org/commpeds/funding.html>.

### **Reports, Articles, Web Sites**

#### **Children's Defense Fund Releases Report on Key Child Data**



*from MCH Alert, January 9, 2009*

*State of America's Children 2008* is a statistical compendium of national and state-by-state data on children. The report, published by the Children's Defense Fund, also includes comparisons of selected child statistics from the United States and other industrialized countries. Topics include child population, poverty and income, poverty and race, health and health coverage, welfare, youths at risk, education, child care and early childhood development, nutrition, and housing. The press release, highlights, and full report are available at

[http://www.childrensdefense.org/site/PageServer?pagename=policyareas\\_stateamericaschildren\\_2008](http://www.childrensdefense.org/site/PageServer?pagename=policyareas_stateamericaschildren_2008)

## **Community Health Status Indicators Report Published**

The US Department of Health and Human Services has published the Community Health Status Indicators Report, which contains health indicator data on over 200 measures for every county in the United States. Please visit <http://communityhealth.hhs.gov/homepage.aspx>

## **Tools & Resources**

### **New York Launches Website to Track Health and Health Disparities**

*from HPD Digest, January 5, 2009*

The state of New York launched a website allowing individuals to track a variety of health conditions in their neighborhood. This system will help identify racial and ethnic health disparities, and target those communities in need of improvement.

[http://www.nydailynews.com/ny\\_local/2008/12/28/2008-12-28\\_find\\_out\\_the\\_health](http://www.nydailynews.com/ny_local/2008/12/28/2008-12-28_find_out_the_health)

### **New Resources on Indicators of Child Well-Being**

*from CityMatCH NewsBriefs, January 7, 2009*

Child Trends and KIDS COUNT have developed *A Guide to Resources for Creating, Locating, and Using Child and Youth Indicator Data* that provides brief descriptions of the ever-increasing number of data and information resources available to measure child and youth well-being. To view, go to:

[http://www.childtrends.org/Files//Child\\_Trends-2009\\_01\\_05\\_FR\\_ChildIndicatorGuide.pdf](http://www.childtrends.org/Files//Child_Trends-2009_01_05_FR_ChildIndicatorGuide.pdf).

The most recent issue of *The Child Indicator* focuses on multiple sources of local child indicator data. To view, go to:

[http://www.childtrends.org/Files//Child\\_Trends-2008\\_11\\_08\\_CI\\_Fall2008.pdf](http://www.childtrends.org/Files//Child_Trends-2008_11_08_CI_Fall2008.pdf).

### **New Website to Support Youth Efforts**

*from CityMatCH NewsBriefs, January 7, 2009*

Be sure to check out the new website FindYouthInfo. Developed through the coordination of multiple Federal agencies, this website offers Federally-developed interactive tools and other resources to help community organizations and partnerships in their efforts to support youth. Included are tools and resources to help form effective partnerships, assess community assets, understand risk factors and protective factors, generate maps of local and Federal resources, and search for evidence-based youth programs. To view, go to: <http://www.findyouthinfo.gov/>.

### **RAND's Promising Practices Network Features Parent-Education Program**

*from MCH Alert, January 9, 2009*

The Parents as Teachers (PAT) program provides parents with child development information and parenting support. RAND's Promising Practice Network (PPN) on Children, Families and Communities recently recognized it as a "program that works." PAT is a four-part intervention model in which trained and certified parent educators offer support to children and their families from pregnancy until the child is 5 years old. Program services include home visits; child health, hearing, vision, and developmental screenings; parent group meetings; and a resource network that links families with needed community resources. Studies have shown that PAT has proven effects on the number of infants born weighing 5.5



lbs or more as well as on young children's cognitive and physical development. The PPN Web site contains a program overview as well as information on program participants, evaluation methods, key evaluation findings, probable implementers, funding, implementation detail, and issues to consider. Example sites, contact information, a list of resources, and a bibliography are also available at <http://www.promisingpractices.net/program.asp?programid=88&ref=ppntext>.

## **Brochure for Families Revised to Address Current Information on Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder**

*from MCH Alert, January 16, 2009*

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) is a brochure for families that offers information on ADHD and its management, including research on medications and behavioral interventions and resources on educational options. The brochure, published by the National Institute of Mental Health, is a revision of a brochure first printed in 1994 and reprinted in 1996. Contents include a definition of ADHD and a discussion of its symptoms, diagnosis, and causes. Topics include disorders that sometimes accompany ADHD, treatment, the family and ADHD, behavioral interventions, and how ADHD affects children in school. The brochure contains sections on the diagnosis and treatment of ADHD in children, adolescents, and adults. A list of resource books and contact information on support groups and organizations are included. The brochure is available at

<http://www.nimh.nih.gov/health/publications/adhd/nimhadhdpub.pdf>.

## **Conferences, Seminars, Teleconferences, Webinars**

### **2009 Future of Pediatrics Conference**

**Future of Pediatrics Conference: *Quality Care for ALL Children***

Anaheim, California

February 27 - March 1, 2009

<http://www.pedialink.org/cme/FOP/>

### **What is the Future of Pediatrics Conference?**

With the overall goal of **improving child and adolescent health**, this AAP/ACOP conference provides current information on **clinical** and **practice management topics**. The conference focuses on strategies to **advance medical homes** and **build partnerships within communities**. Opportunities are provided to present and discuss **successful projects and strategies**. Through a variety of educational formats, the conference addresses basic issues and **recent advances in pediatric medicine**, and participants learn in **small group settings**, through **interaction with faculty**, through **online experiences**, and by **networking with peers**.

### **The Conference is Designed to:**

- Expand your ability to diagnose and manage complex or difficult cases in areas such as pediatric dermatology, infectious disease, and developmental/behavioral pediatrics
- Demonstrate the ease and benefits of integrating community health and family-centered care into practice by providing successful strategies, resources, and networking opportunities
- Enable you to implement quality improvement strategies compatible with Maintenance of Certification™ (MOC)
- Enhance your skills in providing effective systems-based care in a medical home
- Improve the quality and efficiency of pediatric practice by introducing new paradigms and approaches to practice management and proper application of coding guidelines
- Present current information, trends, and developments in caring for children with special health-care needs in a medical home
- Enhance your skills and effectiveness in providing health care to diverse populations
- Emphasize the value of a multidisciplinary approach to patient care
- Help you devise an action plan for producing effective change in your practice

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## New Online Health Disparities Course

A new online health disparities course, *Introduction to Healthcare Disparities*, is now available. It is the first course in a series on Disparities, Culture & Health. In this module you will learn about:

- the latest research on healthcare disparities and their possible causes
- the changing meanings of race and ethnicity and their place in healthcare
- the medical community's response to the problem of healthcare disparities.

To access the course visit <http://elearning.talariainc.com/pageview.asp?tut=190>.

## Webinar: Helping Immigrant and Refugee Students Achieve School Success: Partnering with Families to Support Student Mental Health Needs

February 24, 2009, 2 pm EST

This webinar will highlight successful strategies for supporting the mental health needs of immigrant and refugee students, focusing on engaging the family, which is often a close-knit and protective force in the child's life. Immigrant and refugee students face challenges to learning beyond mastering a new language. The strategies to be presented were identified through the Caring Across Communities initiative, a series of innovative partnerships among schools, mental health service providers, and immigrant and refugee community organizations in 15 communities around the country, supported by grants from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. To register, visit <https://rwjf.webex.com/rwjf/j.php?ED=117141422=1=0> OR <https://rwjf.webex.com/rwjf/j.php?ED=117141422&RG=1&UID=0>.

## Frontiers in Pediatric Hospital Medicine Symposium

Sponsored by Pediatric Hospital Medicine Division

*Physician Foundation at California Pacific Medical Center.*

The symposium will focus on a variety of clinical subjects that pediatric hospitalists encounter on a daily basis. It will be held in San Francisco, CA at the Grand Hyatt Hotel on October 8-9, 2009. Medical experts from California Pacific Medical Center, the surrounding Bay Area, and nationwide will discuss topics including but not limited to: oncologic emergencies, acute abdomen, imaging of the abdomen and chest, pediatric palliative care, and much more. Price: \$ 200 for two days, \$125 for one day, and \$50 for residents/fellows

CME credit: 14 AMA PRA Category 1 credits To register: Visit [www.cpmc.org/frontiers](http://www.cpmc.org/frontiers) or contact Beverly Hoover at 415-600-6484 or e-mail [HooverB@sutterhealth.org](mailto:HooverB@sutterhealth.org).