



Council on Community Pediatrics

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February 25, 2009

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#### **AAP Oral Health Preceptorship Awards**

*from AAP Oral Health Initiatives*

The American Academy of Pediatrics' (AAP) Oral Health Initiative (OHI) is pleased to once again offer the Oral Health Risk Assessment Preceptorship Program. With support from the American Dental Association Foundation, the OHI will be offering 10 awards in 2009.

The Preceptorship program was initiated to provide pediatricians interested in implementing oral health assessments and varnish application in their practice with mentorship support. These awards are designed to provide the recipient with individualized one-on-one training in performing oral health risk assessments, maternal/caretaker oral assessment interviews, and the application of fluoride varnishes by a pediatric dentist or pediatrician with oral health training. Attached are the program guidelines and application.

The program now in its 5<sup>th</sup> year has been very successful in supporting pediatricians as they move to incorporate children's oral health into practice. To date 41 awards have been given to pediatricians/practices in underserved areas.

Please disseminate this information to anyone you feel would be interested in applying. Attached is the Request for Proposal and Application. These can also be accessed online at: <http://www.aap.org/commpeds/doch/oralhealth/preceptorship.cfm>. Note the **applications are due March 23rd**. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Wendy Nelson at 800/433-9016 ext. 7789 or by e-mail at [wnelson@aap.org](mailto:wnelson@aap.org).

#### **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) Investigator Awards in Health Policy Research**

*from Minority Health Connection, February 2009*



The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) Investigator Awards in Health Policy Research funds highly-qualified individuals to undertake broad studies of the most challenging health policy issues facing America. RWJF will award approximately 10 grants of up to \$335,000 each to investigators from a variety of disciplines to support projects that combine creative and conceptual thinking with innovative, policy-relevant approaches. The RWJF welcomes applications from investigators in the health, social, and behavioral sciences, as well as other fields. They seek a diverse group of applicants, including minorities, early-career investigators, and individuals who work in nonacademic settings such as research firms and policy organizations. A letter of intent is due March 25, 2009. For more information, visit <http://www.investigatorawards.org/>.

## **CityMatCH 2009 Conference Online Abstract Submission Opens March 2nd!**

*from City MatCH NewsBriefs, February 18, 2009*

The 19th Annual CityMatCH Urban MCH Leadership Conference: *Reinventing MCH Practice: Rising to the Challenge, Committing to the Future* is scheduled for August 22-25, 2009 in New Orleans, LA.

Conference online abstract submission will open on Monday, March 2nd and will feature two new formats:

- \* Format I - Data Focus: For the presentation of scientific research, study findings, data analysis, or evaluation outcomes. Abstracts in this format should include Background, Objectives, Methods, Results, Limitations, and Conclusions/Implications.
- \* Format II - Program / Policy Focus: For the description of programs or other MCH activities including community-based programs, discussions of MCH policy or ethics and models for program evaluation, dissemination and capacity development. Abstracts in this format should include: Issue, Setting, Project, Accomplishments/ Results, Barriers, and Lessons Learned.

NEW THIS YEAR! Abstract Coaching Conference Call - Thursday, March 12th at 2 pm Eastern - Register online now at the conference abstract website:

<http://www.citymatch.org/abstract.php>. For additional information, contact Laurin Kasehagen or Carol Gilbert at CityMatCH: (402-561-7500 or [lkasehagen@unmc.edu](mailto:lkasehagen@unmc.edu) or [cgilbert@unmc.edu](mailto:cgilbert@unmc.edu)).

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

### **Series of Briefs Focus on Disparities in Child Health**

*from MCH Alert, February 20, 2009*

*Trends in Child Health, 1997-2006: Assessing Black-White Disparities* highlights differences in health outcomes among black children and white children and then examines how child health indicators vary by sociodemographic characteristics. The issue brief, the first in a series produced by the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies with support from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, is based on an analysis of data from the National Health Interview Survey for the years 1997 through 2006. The brief presents findings for non-Hispanic white children and non-Hispanic black children under age 18 on the following health indicators: low birthweight, health status (as evaluated by a family member), recent unmet oral health needs, attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder diagnosis, lifetime asthma diagnosis, learning disability diagnosis, and activity limitation. For each health indicator, in each year between 1997 and 2006, comparisons are made first between children of the two racial groups as a whole; then, black children and white children in families with characteristics corresponding to nine sociodemographic variables are compared. The brief concludes with a discussion of gaps in health indicators between black children and white children by sociodemographic subgroup, and the influence of specific sociodemographic variables (educational attainment, poverty, health insurance) on health indicators. The brief is available at

[http://www.jointcenter.org/publications\\_recent\\_publications/health/trends\\_in\\_child\\_health\\_1997\\_2006\\_assessing\\_black\\_white\\_disparities](http://www.jointcenter.org/publications_recent_publications/health/trends_in_child_health_1997_2006_assessing_black_white_disparities)



Other briefs in the series will be published between now and the end of April 2009. They will highlight Hispanic/white disparities in child health, as well as racial and ethnic disparities in specific child health indicators.

## **New Healthy Child Care America Web Site**

*from AAP Health Child Care America program*

We are proud to announce that the new Healthy Child Care America Web site is now live and can be accessed by visiting [www.healthychildcare.org](http://www.healthychildcare.org). This new and improved site is easy to navigate and provides early education and child care information to health care professionals, child care professionals, and families. The new site provides enhanced access to information and resources. A clear structure and improved search function makes finding information easier than before. Check back in March to visit our "Resource Library", a database with a wealth of resources related to early education and child care. Users will be able to search by topic, type of resource, AAP materials, and/or materials for families.

## **Tools & Resources**

### **National Quality Forum Adopts 45 Cultural Competency Practices**

The National Quality Forum has adopted 45 cultural competency practices it says will help reduce disparities and improve the quality of health care. The practices focus on communication, community engagement and training, including determining language requirements for patients at the first point of contact. For more information visit <http://www.qualityforum.org/projects/ongoing/cultural-comp/>.

### **KidsCount Database**

*from Minority Health Connection, February 2009*

The Annie E. Casey Foundation hosts an online database called Kids Count, which contains state- and city-level data for over 100 measures of child well-being. This database can generate custom reports for specific geographic areas and compare them based on a topic (e.g., poverty, education, and health/health insurance). According to new data on Kids Count, more than one in two children living in Los Angeles, San Francisco, New York City, and Dallas live with at least one foreign born parent; and many of these children lack health insurance (21 percent of children in Texas aged 17 and under). To view and use this database, visit <http://www.kidscount.org/datacenter/>.

### **A Physician's Practical Guide to Culturally Competent Care**

This self-directed training course is for physicians and other health care professionals with a specific interest in cultural competency in the provision of care.

[https://ccm.thinkculturalhealth.org/GUIs/GUI\\_AboutthisSite.asp](https://ccm.thinkculturalhealth.org/GUIs/GUI_AboutthisSite.asp)

### **Preventing Teen Pregnancy - New Resource for 2009!**

*from CityMatCH NewsBriefs, February 18, 2009*

*What Works 09* presents a succinct overview of what is known about carefully evaluated interventions that help prevent teen pregnancy, including a list of effective programs, selected program effects, contact information, as well as direct links to resources providing additional program and evaluation information. (Hard copies of this 24-page pamphlet will be available for purchase through The National Campaign Online Store in the coming weeks.)

To download an electronic copy, go to:

<http://www.thenationalcampaign.org/resources/pdf/pubs/WhatWorks09.pdf>

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

*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,

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

## **Conferences, Seminars, Teleconferences, Webinars** **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).