



July 2015

What's New In July 2015?

Greetings!

**Are you interested in helping in the community, but unsure how?
*Here are some ideas!***

Early Learning Coalition Early Head Start Programs need your help!

The Early Learning Coalition recently received an Early Head Start partnership grant to serve 150 children birth to three years across Belle Glade, Pahokee, Riviera Beach and West Palm Beach. They are currently working with twelve Early Head Start providers and their Early Head Start families. Some have medical homes, but a number are in need of medical services. They are asking for ***pediatric medical volunteers that have the ability to offer a small amount of time each month*** to support the program in one or both of the following ways:

- Partnership with one local Early Head Start provider to offer wrap around care to families without a medical home
- Partnership with one local Early Head Start provider to offer periodic health consultation via phone or web

Contact Erin Gallagher , Director, Early Head Start Partnership Grant (561) 600-9434 or erin.gallagher@elcpalmbeach.org

Pediatric Providers Needed for Lectures!



Pat Reeves Village is a member of a collaborative of service providers representing a continuum of care for the homeless and homeless at-risk in Palm Beach County. Pat Reeves Village is an emergency shelter for homeless families with dependent children and is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Families in the shelter are part of a structured, supportive program that includes crisis counseling provided by The Center. Pediatric providers are needed again this year for a lecture series at 6pm on Thursday evenings at the center and June and July dates are still available. The residents attend and often challenge the provider with many thoughtful questions. These lectures can be about any pediatric bread-and-butter topic but turn mostly into a question and answer session. Please contact Dr. Roy Cacciaguida at drroyc@comcast.net if you can volunteer your time! Let's support this wonderful program!

Participate in pediatric pain research!

Don't have much time for volunteering? Contribute by participating in research.

A first year medical student at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada is working with the Centre for Pediatric Pain Research at the IWK Health Centre on a study assessing healthcare providers' perceptions of patients' experiences of chronic pain. The online survey will only take you 15 minutes. Click [here](#)

JUNE

***BEAT THE HEAT* this Saturday with your family and help raise money for a local non-profit, The Center for Child Counseling**



HURRY! There are still a few tickets available. Click [here](#) to register!



Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County will be giving an additional \$25,000 to the Drowning Prevention Coalition of Palm Beach County to provide swimming lesson vouchers to eligible children.

The infusion of money comes on top of a plan announced last month for Children's Services Council to match up to \$50,000 in business contributions to the voucher program for each of the next three years.

The Drowning Prevention Coalition of Palm Beach County distributes \$50 vouchers to needy families, which can be used for 6-8 swimming lessons at about 20 public pools in Palm Beach County. This year, the Coalition ran out of vouchers in just four days, giving out approximately 400 of them. The \$25,000 contribution from Children's Services Council will be used to fund about 500 vouchers, more than doubling the vouchers distributed so far this year.

The swimming lesson vouchers are on a first-come, first-serve basis. Parents or caregivers can apply for the vouchers either online at www.pbcgov.org/dpc or can e-mail astewart@pbcgov.org to receive an application. For questions about the vouchers, please contact Anna Stewart at 561.616.7068.

If you have any questions in general, please contact Jon Burstein, communications

specialist with Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County, at 561.374.7616 (office), 561.703.2192 (cell) or jon.burstein@cscpbcc.org

Click [here](#) for more information.

June 21, 2015 was National ASK Day

Asking whether your child's friend has a gun in his/her home **Saves Kids**

Sara Connolly, MD, Pediatric Partners, would like to thank all of those who participated in placing the ad in the Palm Beach Post. Our pediatric society helped sponsor the ad with FCAAP in addition to a number of individuals.



SEPTEMBER



FCAAP Annual Meeting 2015: The Future of Pediatric Practice
Walt Disney's Grand Floridian Resort & Spa, Buena Vista, Florida
September 4 - 6, 2015

Special conference rate of \$199.00 single/double per night

Room Block Open (deadline is August 5, 2015)

Call 407-939-4686 Monday - Friday 8:30am to 6:00pm EST or Saturday and Sunday, 8:30am to 5:00pm EST. Or [CLICK HERE](#) to book your room. Group Code: G0679533

2015 Exhibit Sponsorship Opportunities are available. Interested parties please contact our Executive Director, 850.224.3939, email: Exec@fcaap.org

We thank you all for the great feedback about our attempt to engage all of our members to be more active in our community with this newsletter. Please continue to keep sending us your announcements of events that may benefit all of us Palm Beach Pediatric Society members. Also, if you know of anyone who you think may be interested in this information, please feel free to forward the newsletter.

Sincerely,

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