Montana Chapter - American Academy of Pediatrics

We’re a small Chapter but we have a big voice!
Highlights of what Montana AAP offers:

**Advocacy**
- Advocates for children and families at a State and local level
- Provides a forum for members to be involved in the State legislative arena, and to positively impact the welfare of children and the quality of pediatric practice in Montana
- Offers opportunities to collaborate with other professionals and organizations working toward improving children’s health and well-being
- Helps promote the interests of Montana Pediatricians in the American Academy of Pediatrics

**Leadership**
- Opportunities for participation in Chapter Committees working on issues important to patients and communities
- Connects members to opportunities to represent the Montana Chapter at State and National Meetings, and on State and National Committees

**Networking**
- Provides forums for networking with Pediatricians and other providers with similar interests, diverse knowledge and experience
- Promotes Chapter Member participation in National AAP affairs

**Education**
- Weekly email updates containing a variety of resources and opportunities for members
- Sponsors high-quality CME and networking opportunities at the Annual Roundup Conference

**Our successes – What has Montana AAP done lately?**
- Collaborated with other statewide groups to advocate for changes in public policy to enhance child health and well being during Montana’s biennial legislative session
- Received a grant from AAP to help Montana Pediatricians improve wellness and immunization rates for adolescents and an additional grant to fund suicide prevention initiatives and improved mental health screening
- Awarded “Small AAP Chapter of the Year” in 2014, and used this award to provide 4 Mini grants to members for projects benefiting their patients and communities
- Worked with local and regional agencies to provide gun trigger locks for distribution in Pediatrician offices
- Supported Chapter Members in applying for Community Access to Child Health (CATCH) grants
- Members elected to State Advisory Boards including Newborn Screening, Universal Hearing Screening, Children’s Special Health Services, the Maternal Mortality Review Team, the Governor’s Protect MT Kids Commission, and the Board of Medical Examiners.

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