

# The Idaho Pediatrician

Idaho Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics  
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Happy Thanksgiving



## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Congratulations to Jerry Hirschfield, MD on his retirement. A true example for Idaho pediatrician's of what a pediatrician can and should be. [Read More](#)

## Top Stories

Influenza and H1N1 [Local Guidance](#)

**RSV Season Recommendations - Idaho** [Read here](#) for information on RSV & Influenza Trends, Synagis Recommendations, and more. The RSV Consensus group issued a letter regarding the recent changes to the AAP Redbook regarding Synagis dosing. [Read letter here.](#)

## Pediatric Healthcare

**Idaho Infant Deaths Due to Congenital Anomalies** [See Document](#)

**Childhood Obesity:** View the results from Naya Antink, MD's survey results from her recent CATCH Grant. [Read More](#)

## Policy & Legislative Issues

[Read the letter from the AAP](#) that outlines the **changes to WIC Packages**: 50% of the women, infants, and children in the U.S. are eligible for WIC. Read more on the monumental changes to the program that is focused on the increased nutritional intake of mothers and children as well as to promote breastfeeding.

**National Reform from the AAP** [Read More](#)

## Best Practices & Resources

**Early Hearing & Detection in Idaho** Every young child deserves the ability to communicate. Language is acquired with greater ease during certain sensitive periods of infant and toddler development. Cognitive, social, and emotional development is influenced by the acquisition of language. [Read More](#)

**Start Strong Idaho Building Health Teen Relationships** - Have you seen the website? [Click Here](#)

## Mark Your Calendar

[Chapter Annual Winter Dinner & Business Meeting](#)  
February 18, 2010

[34th Annual District VIII Section on Perinatal Pediatrics Conference](#)

June 17 - 20, 2010

"The probability that we may fail in the struggle ought not to deter us from the support of a cause we believe to be just."  
-Abraham Lincoln

website? [Click Here](#)

**Emergency Preparedness:** [Download this poster](#) for your waiting room. Contact [Kathy Stevens, MD](#), the Idaho Chapter's liaison to the AAP for Emergency Preparedness, for more information.

## From the Chapter

**More from the President:** Dr. Hardin will continue to visit practices around the state. This spring he met with pediatricians from Idaho Falls and Rexburg. They have felt isolated from chapter activities which occur in Boise. The executive committee for the chapter decided to have our summer meeting in different parts of the state. In June of 2010 we will visit Idaho Falls with a dinner, CME and business meeting and invite other eastern Idaho pediatricians to join in. [Read More](#)

**SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATION TODAY!** Are you a Idaho Chapter Member? Submit your nomination today for Pediatrician of the Year, Child Advocate of the Year, and Organization of the Year. [Submit Nomination Here.](#)



"Children are one third of our population and all of our future"

-Select Panel for the Promotion of Child Health, 1981

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