

New Jersey Chapter

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PRACTICE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE & PEDIATRIC COUNCIL

Practice Management Committee

Mission

The mission of the **Practice Management Committee** is to provide an open forum for discussing and disseminating practical information on all aspects of the administration of pediatric practice management and advocating for pediatric healthcare providers at all levels.

Description

The Practice Management Committee is a resource and advocacy group for pediatric healthcare providers and practice managers interested or involved with the management or administration of pediatric practices. Our goal is to ensure that pediatric health care providers have equitable payment for services provided and improve the knowledge and effectiveness of pediatric practice management. Membership includes access to resources your practice could use, including information on headlines your patients are asking about, information on legislation that will impact you and your patients, and the ability to take part in our **Pediatric Council** that works with New Jersey's health insurance companies to find practical ways to promote children's health.

NJAAP offers a Practice Manager listserv as a free resource for those involved in practice management to communicate issues, ideas and advice to others throughout the state. Participants post issues they are experiencing and use their peers as resources to help resolve those issues.

Pediatric Council

The Pediatric Council is made up of pediatric healthcare providers that are members of the NJAAP, medical directors of health insurance companies in NJ, members of various state departments, including Medicaid, and the NJ Department of Health.

Purpose

The purpose of the Pediatric Council is to build effective relationships with health insurance companies and create a platform to communicate relevant practice management issues in a timely manner.

The NJAAP Pediatric Council was the second one established in the country and was highly regarded for its work with the insurance industry. Dr. Puthenmadam Radhakrishnan and Dr. Naveen Mehrotra are the Co-chairs and have been involved both here in NJ and with National AAP.

The Pediatric Council discusses pediatric issues with payers and has the potential to facilitate better working relationships between pediatric healthcare providers and health insurance companies to improve quality of care for children. We hope to open and strengthen the lines of communication between pediatric providers and the insurers to better serve the children of New Jersey.