



Activity Ideas

AAP Chapter Child Care Contacts

- ☀ Apply for an AAP Community Access to Child Health (CATCH) planning or implementation grant in an effort to identify or address state child care/health and safety-related activities.**
 - ☀ Meet with various child care health consultants in the state to discuss ways to share information or collaborate (perhaps create a listserv or task force, etc.) TIP: The Healthy Child Care Network Support Center has identified key contacts who monitor and track names/activities of all child care health consultants in each state; do you know who does this in your state? See <http://hccnsc.edc.org> to find out.**
 - ☀ Contact the state Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems coordinator in your state to see if they've compiled information on state services/resources for children and families. Discuss what can be done to support the blending of resources and integrating of services.**
 - ☀ Collaborate with pediatric residents. Identify ways they can do their community rotation in a child care center, and discuss with them what roles physicians can play in improving the health of children by working with early childhood professionals.**
 - ☀ Visit a child care center and observe the facility. During the observation, talk with their staff to see how residents may be able to spend their time there. (Mention the onsite assessment tool(s) in model child care policies and the child care health consultation DVD services with one section on conducting observations, etc).**
 - ☀ Write an article for your Chapter's newsletter or local newspaper. Do a radio talk show on quality child care. Create a PSA or participate in media interviews when they arise.**
 - ☀ Meet with directors of child care centers to identify ways that pediatricians may be able to help them.**
 - ☀ Contact the state or local Child Care Resource and Referral Agency and work with them to review/improve their database/list of community and state resources.**
 - ☀ Work with other state leaders to develop a survey to identify/assess needs regarding quality child care or child care health and safety issues.**
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