2021 AAP Award Winners

Editor's note: The award winners’ AAP committee, section and council affiliations are listed except when they are a member of the same group issuing the award.

AAP Education Award

Council on Communications and Media, Committee on Pediatric Education, Committee on Continuing Medical Education

Maryellen E. Gusic, M.D., FAAP

She is a Harrison Distinguished Teaching Professor of Medical Education and professor of pediatrics, senior adviser for educational affairs and director of the Center for Medical Education Research and Scholarly Innovation at University of Virginia School of Medicine. Dr. Gusic directs the AAP Young Physicians Leadership Alliance. She is a member of the inaugural cohort and chair of the executive committee of the National Academy of Distinguished Educators in Pediatrics.

AAP Samuel J. Fomon Nutrition Award

Committee on Nutrition

Supported by the Infant
Nutrition Council of America

Kenneth Brown, M.D.

He is a emeritus distinguished professor in the nutrition department and Institute for Global Nutrition at University of California, Davis.

Adele Dellenbaugh Hofmann Award

Section on Adolescent Health

Warren M. Seigel, M.D., M.B.A., FAAP

He is chair of pediatrics and director of adolescent medicine at Coney Island Hospital in Brooklyn, N.Y., and associate professor of clinical pediatrics at SUNY-Health Science Center in Brooklyn. A member of the AAP Board of Directors and its secretary-treasurer, Dr. Seigel is a member of the Section on LGBT Health and Wellness and past president of AAP New York State Chapter 2.

Arnold J. Capute Award

Council on Children with Disabilities

José F. Cordero, M.D., M.P.H., FAAP
He is the Patel Distinguished Professor of Public Health and chair of the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics in the College of Public Health at University of Georgia. Dr. Cordero served for 27 years at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, where he focused on maternal-child health and rose to assistant surgeon general of the U.S. Public Health Service. Dr. Cordero is a member of the Sections on Epidemiology, Public Health and Evidence, and Senior Members.

Avroy Fanaroff Neonatal Education Award
Section on Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine
Sponsored by Mead Johnson Nutrition

Dara Brodsky, M.D., FAAP
She is associate professor of pediatrics at Harvard Medical School.

Award for Outstanding Service to Maltreated Children
Council on Child Abuse and Neglect

Carolyn J. Levitt, M.D., FAAP
She is the founding director of the Midwest Children's Resource Center of Children's Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota, a hospital-based child advocacy center. Dr. Levitt is a founding member and former board member of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children, and former president and board member of the National Children's Alliance. She is a member of the Section on Senior Members.

Byron Oberst Award

Council on Clinical Information Technology

David Solomon Bar-Shain, M.D., FAAP

He is director of informatics for clinical decision support for the MetroHealth System in Cleveland and assistant program director of the Case Western Reserve University/MetroHealth Clinical Informatics Fellowship.

C. Anderson Aldrich Award for Lifetime Achievement in Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics

Section on Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics

Nancy J. Roizen, M.D., FAAP

She is professor of pediatrics at Case Western Reserve School of Medicine and has served as chief of the
Division of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics and Psychology and director of the developmental and behavioral pediatrics fellowship at University Hospitals Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital. Dr. Roizen has represented the AAP on the Committee on Certification in the Subspecialty of Neurodevelopmental Disabilities and the Joint Committee on Infant Hearing.

Clifford G. Grulee Award

AAP Executive Committee/AAP Board of Directors

Susan Niermeyer, M.D., M.P.H., FAAP

She is professor of pediatrics at University of Colorado School of Medicine and neonatologist at Children's Hospital Colorado and University of Colorado Hospital on the Anschutz Medical campus. Dr. Niermeyer also serves as faculty in epidemiology and senior scientist in the Center for Global Health at the Colorado School of Public Health. She has worked extensively in maternal and newborn survival. Dr. Niermeyer is editor-in-chief of Helping Babies Breathe. She is a member of the Sections on Breastfeeding, Global Health, Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine and Senior Members.

Dale Richmond/Justin Coleman Award

Section on Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics
Supported by the Dale Richmond Endowment

W. Thomas Boyce, M.D.

He is distinguished professor emeritus of pediatrics and psychiatry at University of California, San Francisco. Dr. Boyce’s research addresses individual differences in children’s biological susceptibility to family, classroom and community environments and how a subset of children (“orchid children”) show exceptional biological sensitivity to both aversive and supportive social settings.

Dave Berry Award

Section on Uniformed Services

Maj. Milissa U. Jones, M.D., M.P.H., FAAP

She is chief of pediatric infectious diseases at Tripler Army Medical Center.

Distinguished Career Award
Section on Critical Care

**Adrienne G. Randolph, M.D., M.Sc., FAAP**

She is senior associate in critical care medicine in the Department of Anesthesiology, Critical Care and Pain Medicine at Boston Children's Hospital.

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**Distinguished Service Award**

Section on Orthopaedics

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**Keith R. Gabriel, M.D., FAAP**

He is an adjunct associate professor in the Division of Orthopedics and Rehabilitation in the Department of Surgery at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. Dr. Gabriel is a member of the Section on Senior Members.
Donald W. Schiff, M.D., FAAP, Child Advocacy Award
Section on Senior Members

Gerold L. Schiebler, M.D., FAAP

He is a distinguished service professor emeritus in the pediatrics department at University of Florida College of Medicine. Dr. Schiebler's advocacy efforts have spanned 50 years involving more than 40 pieces of legislation in areas including pediatric cardiac programs, child abuse and neglect, child safety and state poison control center networks.

Dr. Susan S. Aronson Early Education and Child Care Advocacy Award
Council on Early Childhood

Marsha Gerdes, Ph.D.

She is a senior psychologist with the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia's PolicyLab.
Edwin L. Kendig, Jr. Award

Section on Pediatric Pulmonology and Sleep Medicine

Thomas G. Keens, M.D., FAAP

He is professor of pediatrics, physiology and neuroscience at Keck School of Medicine at University of Southern California, and Division of Pediatric Pulmonology and Sleep Medicine, Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA). At CHLA, he is medical director of the Pulmonary Physiology Laboratory and director of the Cystic Fibrosis Care Center. Dr. Keens also chairs the California SIDS Advisory Council.

Ellen Perrin Award for Excellence in LGBTQ+ Health and Wellness

Section on LGBT Health and Wellness

Rachel L. Levine, M.D., FAAP

She is assistant secretary for health at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Dr. Levine is a member of the Section on Adolescent Health.
Emerging Leader Award

Section on Adolescent Health

Alison J. Culyba, M.D., M.P.H., Ph.D., FAAP

She is assistant professor of pediatrics in the Division of Adolescent and Young Adult Medicine at UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh and University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. Dr. Culyba directs the Empowering Teens to Thrive program at UPMC Children's. She is a member of the Council on Injury, Violence and Poison Prevention Executive Committee and the Sections on Early Career Physicians; Epidemiology, Public Health and Evidence; and Medicine-Pediatrics.

F. Edwards Rushton CATCH Award

District CATCH facilitators

Supported by the Rushton Endowment

Adrienne Wallace Carmack, M.D., FAAP

She is medical director in the Office of Child and Family Services at the Maine Department of Health and Human Services. Dr. Carmack's Community Access to Child Health planning grant was "Integrated Health Care for Foster Care Children." She is a member of the Councils on Communications and Media, Early Childhood, and Foster Care, Adoption and Kinship Care.
Fellow Achievement Award

Council on Injury, Violence and Poison Prevention (COIVPP)

Judy Schaechter, M.D., M.B.A., FAAP

She is a former president of the Injury Free Coalition for Kids and chaired the pediatrics department at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine for eight years. After the Florida legislature passed a law in 2011 prohibiting physicians from asking about the presence of guns in the home, Dr. Schaechter was named as a plaintiff in the case that ultimately struck down the law, establishing precedent that physician gag laws would not stand. She is a former member of the COIVPP Executive Committee.

Henry L. Barnett Award

Section on Nephrology

John D. Mahan, M.D., FAAP

He is professor of pediatrics and director of Nationwide Children’s Hospital (NCH) Center for Faculty Development in the pediatrics department at the Ohio State University College of Medicine. Dr. Mahan is program director of the NCH pediatric nephrology fellowship program and a clinician, investigator and educator. He also is chair of the AAP PediaLink Editorial Board.
Holroyd-Sherry Award

Council on Communications and Media

Ilan Shapiro, M.D., M.B.A., FACHE, FAAP

He is medical director of health education and wellness at Los Angeles-based AltaMed Health Services and an AAP spokesperson in English and Spanish media. Dr. Shapiro provides evidence-based children's health information to parents, physicians, community leaders, policymakers and others. He is a member of the Council on Immigrant Child and Family Health and Section on Advances in Therapeutics and Technology.

James T. Cassidy Award

AAP Section on Rheumatology

Supported by the James T. Cassidy Award Endowment

Randy Q. Cron, M.D., Ph.D., FAAP

He is professor of pediatrics and medicine at University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) and the Arthritis Foundation, Alabama chapter, endowed chair in pediatric rheumatology. Dr. Cron is director of the Division of Pediatric Rheumatology and the pediatric rheumatology fellowship program at Children’s of Alabama. His research interests focus on cytokine storm syndromes and temporomandibular joint arthritis.
### Jerome Glaser Distinguished Service Award

**Section on Allergy and Immunology**

**Scott H. Sicherer, M.D., FAAP**

He is chief of the Division of Pediatric Allergy at Kravis Children's Hospital and director of the Jaffe Food Allergy Institute at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai in New York.

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### Jim Seidel Distinguished Service Award

**Section on Emergency Medicine**

**Charles G. Macias, M.D., M.P.H., FAAP**

He is executive director, EMS for Children Innovation and Improvement Center, division chief of pediatric emergency medicine, and chief quality officer/vice chair of quality and safety at University Hospitals Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital, Cleveland. Dr. Macias also is a member of the AAP Board of Directors.
Ken Graff Young Investigator Award
Section on Emergency Medicine

Supported by the Graff Endowment

Preston Dean, M.D., M.S., FAAP

He is a clinical fellow at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital. This award is for research on "High-Risk Criteria for the Physiologically Difficult Pediatric Airway: A Multicenter, Observational Study to Generate Validity Evidence." Dr. Dean is a member of the Section on Pediatric Trainees.

Lifetime Achievement Award
Section on Transport Medicine

Richard A. Orr, M.D., FCCM, FAAP

He is a retired professor of critical care medicine and pediatrics at University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. Dr. Orr is co-founder and former chair of the section's executive committee. He was chair of the Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transport Systems. Dr. Orr is honored for his commitment to neonatal and pediatric transport medicine. He is a member of the Sections on Critical Care and Senior Members.
Local Hero Award
Council on Community Pediatrics

Rusha Lev, M.D., FAAP
She is a pediatrician at Denver Health Medical Center and assistant professor of pediatrics at University of Colorado School of Medicine. Dr. Lev is a member of the Sections on School Health and Obesity.

Genevieve Daftary, M.D., M.P.H., FAAP
She is medical director of practice and school and early childhood partnerships at Codman Square Health Center in Dorchester, Mass. Dr. Daftary is a member of the Council on Early Childhood, Council on School Health, Section on Early Career Physicians and Section on Minority Health, Equity and Inclusion.
Michael Shannon Humanitarian Award
Section on Emergency Medicine

Karen A. Santucci, M.D., FAAP
She is professor of pediatrics and emergency medicine and medical director and section chief of pediatric emergency medicine at Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital.

Murray Davidson Award
Section on Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition

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Estella M. Alonso, M.D., FAAP
She is professor and associate chair for clinical services in the pediatrics department at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine and medical director of the Siragusa Transplant Center at Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago. Dr. Alonso is a member of the Council on Quality Improvement and Patient
Safety.

**Neonatal Landmark Award**

Section on Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine

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Seetha Shankaran, M.D., FAAP

She is former longtime chief of the Division of Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine at Wayne State University (WSU) School of Medicine, Children's Hospital of Michigan and Hutzel Women’s Hospital. Her studies following high-risk infants from childhood to adolescence have focused on the etiology, risk, management and prevention of brain injury. Dr. Shankaran was principal investigator (PI) at the WSU site of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Neonatal Research Network and PI of the first randomized, controlled trial of whole-body hypothermia as neuroprotection for neonatal hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy.

**Neonatal Pioneer Award**

Section on Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine

Gil Martin, M.D., FAAP

He is director emeritus of the neonatal intensive care unit at Emanate Health Queen of the Valley Hospital in West Covina, Calif., and on the faculty since 1972. Dr. Martin is professor of pediatrics at Loma Linda University.
and editor emeritus of the *Journal of Perinatology*. He is past president of the California Perinatal Association and the author of several books and treatises.

**Oral Health Service Award**

Section on Oral Health

**Rebecca L. Slayton, D.D.S., Ph.D.**

She is professor emeritus in the pediatric dentistry department at University of Washington School of Dentistry.

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**Outstanding Service Award**

Section on Uniformed Services

**Gregory S. Blaschke, M.D., M.P.H., FAAP**

He is the Shirley R. Kuse Professor of Pediatrics and division head of general pediatrics at Oregon Health & Science University School of Medicine and Doernbecher Children's Hospital. Dr. Blaschke, a retired captain in
the Navy Medical Corps, also is vice chair of AAP District VIII. He is a member of the Councils on Child Abuse and Neglect, and Community Pediatrics, and the Sections on Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics, Global Health, and LGBT Health and Wellness.

Richard B. Heyman Award
Section on Adolescent Health
Laura K. Grubb, M.D., M.P.H., FAAP

She is associate professor of pediatrics and public health and community medicine at Tufts University School of Medicine. Dr. Grubb serves as director of adolescent medicine at Tufts Children's Hospital. She is a member of the Committee on Adolescence and is the liaison from the Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine to the AAP Committee on Federal Government Affairs.

Robert M. Smith Award
Section on Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine
Corrie T.M. Anderson, M.D., FAAP
He is professor of anesthesiology in the Department of Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine at University of Washington Medicine and director of pediatric pain medicine at Seattle Children's Hospital.

Section on Critical Care Advocacy Award

Section on Critical Care

Daniel H. Choi, M.D., FAAP

He is a trainee in pediatric critical care medicine at Children's National Hospital. Dr. Choi is a member of the Section on Early Career Physicians.

Erin Cohen, M.D.

She is a resident in pediatric critical care medicine at University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital. Dr. Cohen is a member of the Section on Pediatric Trainees.
Anjali Garg, M.D., FAAP

She is a pediatric critical care medicine fellow at Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Garg is a member of the Section on Minority Health, Equity and Inclusion.

Paula M. Magee, M.D., M.P.H., FAAP

She is a pediatric critical care medicine fellow at Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago. Dr. Magee is a member of the Sections on Minority Health, Equity and Inclusion, and Pediatric Trainees.
Kellie Snooks, D.O.

She is an assistant professor in pediatric critical care in the pediatrics department, Division of Critical Care at Medical College of Wisconsin.
Juliann Lipps Kim, M.D., FAAP

She is department lead for pediatric hospitalists at Palo Alto Medical Foundation, immediate past medical staff president at Lucile Packard Children’s Hospital and an adjunct clinical associate professor of pediatrics at Stanford University. Dr. Kim is receiving the award as lead author of “Gender Distribution of Scholarly Productivity in Pediatric Hospital Medicine.” She is a member of the Section on Breastfeeding.

Section on Hospital Medicine Service Award

Section on Hospital Medicine

Arun Gupta, M.D., FAAP

He is director of the neonatal hospitalist program at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital and clinical associate professor of pediatrics at Stanford University School of Medicine. Dr. Gupta is a liaison from the Section on Hospital Medicine to the Neonatal Resuscitation Program Steering Committee. He is recognized for contributions as co-chair of the section’s Subcommittee on Neonatal Hospitalists. Dr. Gupta is a member of the Section on Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine.

Allison Markowsky, M.D., M.S.H.S., FAAP

She is medical director of the Children's National pediatric hospitalist program at Mary Washington Healthcare. Dr. Markowsky is assistant professor of pediatrics at the George Washington University School of Medicine & Health Sciences. She is recognized for contributions as co-chair of the section's Subcommittee on Neonatal
Hospitalists. Dr. Markowsky is a member of the Council on Quality Improvement and Patient Safety.

Section on Infectious Diseases Award for Lifetime Contribution in Infectious Diseases Education

Section on Infectious Diseases

Sandor Feldman, M.D., FAAP

He is professor emeritus of pediatrics at University of Mississippi Medical Center. Dr. Feldman is a former vice president of the AAP Mississippi Chapter.

Section on Minority Health, Equity, and Inclusion Award

Section on Minority Health, Equity and Inclusion
Tiffani J. Johnson, M.D., FAAP

She is assistant professor of emergency medicine at University of California, Davis School of Medicine. Dr. Johnson served on the AAP Task Force on Addressing Bias and Discrimination, which helped lay the groundwork for the Academy’s Equity Agenda. She is a member of the Sections on Early Career Physicians and Emergency Medicine.

Kristina W. Rosbe, M.D., FAAP

She is professor of otolaryngology and pediatrics, and chief of the Division of Pediatric Otolaryngology at Benioff Children’s Hospitals in San Francisco and Oakland, Calif. Dr. Rosbe is chair of the AAP Surgical Advisory Panel.

Dr. Fornari

Senator Daniel Inouye & Calvin C.J. Sia Advocacy Awards

Section on Emergency Medicine
Marci Fornari, M.D., FAAP

She is a pediatric emergency medicine fellow at Children's National Hospital. Dr. Fornari is a member of the Sections on Early Career Physicians and Pediatric Trainees.

Jennifer Grad, M.D., FAAP

She is a pediatric emergency medicine fellow at New York University School of Medicine. Dr. Grad is a member of the Council on Injury, Violence and Poison Prevention and Section on Pediatric Trainees.

Mark Hincapie, M.D., FAAP

He is a pediatric emergency medicine fellow at UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. Dr. Hincapie is a member of the Councils on Clinical Information Technology and Immigrant Child and Family Health and Sections on Minority Health, Equity and Inclusion; Pediatric Trainees; and Simulation and Innovative Learning
Methods.

Kendra Jackson, M.D.

She is a pediatric resident at Atrium Health in Charlotte, N.C. Dr. Jackson is a member of the Council on Children and Disasters and Section on Pediatric Trainees.

Stephen Gans Distinguished Overseas Lecturer

Section on Surgery
Marc Wijnen, M.D., Ph.D.

He is principal investigator and pediatric surgeon at Princess Máxima Center for pediatric oncology in the Netherlands.

Thomas F. Tonniges M.D., FAAP, Lifetime Achievement Award for Advocacy on Behalf of Vulnerable Children

Council on Foster Care, Adoption and Kinship Care

Moira A. Szilagyi, M.D., Ph.D., FAAP

She is AAP president-elect. Dr. Szilagyi, who led development of the first health care standards for children in foster care in New York State, is professor of pediatrics in the Division of General Pediatrics at University of California, Los Angeles; division chief of developmental behavioral pediatrics; and the Peter Shapiro Term Chair for Enhancing Children's Developmental and Behavioral Health in Pediatrics. She is a former chair of the council's executive committee.
Section on Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine

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**Richard A. Polin, M.D., FAAP**

He is the William T. Speck Professor of Pediatrics and executive vice chair of the pediatrics department at Columbia University. Dr. Polin chairs the executive committee for the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Neonatal Research Network. He is a former chair of the sub-board of neonatal-perinatal medicine. Dr. Polin is a member of the Section on Senior Members.

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**William G. Bartholome Award for Ethical Excellence**

Section on Bioethics

**Tomas Silber, M.D., FAAP**

He is professor emeritus in the Division of Adolescent and Young Adult Medicine at George Washington University; medical director of the Donald Delaney Eating Disorders Program at Children's National, where he serves on its ethics committee; and editor of *Pediatric Ethicscope*. He is a former chair of the Section on Bioethics Executive Committee.

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**William E. Ladd Medal**

Section on Surgery
Mary E. Fallat, M.D., FAAP

She is professor in the Hiram C. Polk Jr. Department of Surgery in the Division of Pediatric Surgery at University of Louisville School of Medicine and medical director of surgical quality at Norton Children's Hospital. Dr. Fallat is a member of the Section on Bioethics and past chair of its executive committee, and former member of the Committee on Bioethics.