Advocacy
This Pillar coordinates the Chapter’s state legislative efforts and overall messaging. Pillar members also aim to be the “experts at the table” for children’s issues in the state of Ohio. The pillar leaders spend time at the Ohio Statehouse, meeting with representatives and other children’s and physician organizations, to advocate for our members and the children of Ohio. We welcome your involvement in this pillar and our advocacy activities.

What you can do
a) Join Peds on Call to testify at the Statehouse and engage with legislators through phone calls, meetings and emails
b) Promote the Parents Advocating for Vaccines (PA4V) program to increase our grassroots efforts on promoting immunizations

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Child Health
The Child Health Pillar represents all areas of care of children but with the priority to have an overall shift in approach from treatment-focus to a focus on child wellness. It manages the Chapter’s educational efforts, including the Spring Education Meeting, Annual Meeting and the Pediatric Education Center.

What you can do
a) Education and conference support in the form of sponsorship, attendance, and promotion of events in your professional and social networks
b) Help develop digital resources including printable educational materials for parents and education courses for physicians

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Foundation
The Foundation Pillar serves as the community focused arm of the Ohio Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics. This pillar supports the Chapter’s efforts by creating funding and programmatic partnerships with community, corporate, state and federal organizations for the purpose of securing support for programs that improve the lives of Ohio’s children and families.

What you can do
a) Fundraiser support in the form of sponsorship, attendance, and promotion of events in your professional and social networks
b) Promoting and crediting Chapter efforts through sharing social media, making joint statements, and promoting these to networks or patients

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Operations
The Ohio AAP’s Operations Pillar provides fiscal and programmatic oversight for the organization’s programs. This pillar includes the Planning, Implementation and Performance (PIP) Committee, which evaluates the Chapter’s existing and potential programs, including Maintenance of Certification (MOC) Part IV Quality Improvement projects.

What you can do
a) Join our practice administrator listserv, a free resource to communicate issues, ideas and advice to colleagues across Ohio
b) Support membership recruitment efforts by sharing why you are an Ohio AAP member and the impact we have on pediatricians

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Practice of Pediatrics
This pillar helps those involved in pediatric care navigate the business and operations side of practice. Ohio AAP does this by targeting and engaging specific populations of physicians (including primary care physicians, hospitalists, sub-specialists, young physicians and private practitioners), promoting the value of membership in the Chapter and helping pediatricians maintain financially viable practices.

What you can do
a) Assist in promotion of Ohio AAP quality improvement programs and aid in identifying possible practices for participation
b) Identify opportunities for program collaborations along with evaluating and communicating outcomes

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