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Regional Pediatric Societies

- American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) / Canadian Pediatric Society (CPS)
- Asociaci3n Latino Americana de Pediatría (ALAPE)
- Asian Pacific Pediatric Association (APPA)
- Association des Pédiatres de Langue Française (APLF)
- Union of Arab Pediatric Societies (UAPS)
- Union of Mid-Eastern & Mediterranean Pediatric Societies (UMEMPS)
- Union of National African Pediatric Societies and Associations (UNAPSA)
- Union of National European Pediatric Societies and Associations (UNEPSA)
- Union of Pediatric Societies of Turkic Republics (UNPSTR)
- Union des Sociétés de Pédiatrie du Maghreb Arabe (USPMA)

International Pediatric Specialty Societies

- International Association for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (IACAPAP)
- Federation of International Societies for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition (FISPGHAN)
- International Child Neurology Association (ICNA)
- International Network of Paediatric Surveillance Units (INoPSU)
- International Pediatric Chairs Association
- International Pediatric Nephrology Association (IPNA)
- International Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Diabetes (ISPAD)
- International Society for Tropical Pediatrics (ISTP)
- International Society of Paediatric Oncology (SIOP)
- Society for Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics (SDBP)
- World Federation of Associations of Pediatric Surgeons (WOFAPS)
- European Society for Social Pediatrics
- International Pediatric Transplant Association

National Pediatric Societies

Afghanistan	Estonia	Latvia	Saudi Arabia
Albania	Ethiopia	Lebanon	Senegal
Algeria	Finland	Liberia	Sierra Leone
Argentina	France	Libya	Singapore
Armenia	Gabon	Lithuania	Slovak Republic
Australia	Gambia	Luxembourg	Slovenia
Austria	Georgia	Macedonia	Somalia
Azerbaijan	Germany	Madagascar	South Africa
Bahrain	Ghana	Malawi	Spain
Bangladesh	Greece	Malaysia	Sri Lanka
Belgium	Guatemala	Mali	Sudan
Benin	Republic of Guinea	Mexico*	Sweden
Bolivia	Guinea Bissau	Moldova	Switzerland
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Haiti	Mongolia	Syria
Brazil	Honduras	Morocco	Tanzania
Bulgaria	Hong Kong	Myanmar	Thailand
Burkina Faso	Hungary	Nepal	Togo
Cambodia	Iceland	Netherlands	Trinidad
Cameroon	India*	New Zealand	Tunisia
Canada	Indonesia	Nicaragua	Turkey*
Chile	Iran	Niger	Turkmenistan
China	Iraq	Nigeria	Uganda
Chinese Taipei	Ireland	Norway	Ukraine
Columbia	Israel	Pakistan	United Arab Emirates
Costa Rica	Italy	Panama	United Kingdom
Croatia	Ivory Coast	Papua New Guinea	USA**
Cuba	Jamaica	Paraguay	Uruguay
Cyprus	Japan	Peru	Uzbekistan
Czech Republic	Jordan	Philippines	Venezuela
Denmark	Kazakhstan	Poland	Vietnam
Dominican Republic	Kenya	Portugal	Yemen
DR Congo	Korea	Puerto Rico	Yugoslavia
Ecuador	Kuwait	Romania	Zaire
Egypt	Kyrgyzstan	Russia	Zambia
El Salvador	Lao Pediatric Teachers	Rwanda	Zimbabwe

* 2 National Member Societies, ** 3 National Member Societies

IPA Vision

Every child will be accorded the right to the highest attainable standard of health, and the opportunity to grow, develop, and fulfill to his or her human potential.

IPA Mission

Pediatricians, working with other partners, will be leaders in promoting physical, mental, and social health for all children, and in realizing the highest standards of health for newborns, children, and adolescents in all countries of the world.

IPA Values

Excellence of knowledge and expertise in child health: Pediatricians will be leaders in defining and creating a sound body of scientific and practical knowledge concerning child health.

Evidence based action: Pediatricians will incorporate best practices validated by evidenced based studies into all their professional activities.

Prevention as well as treatment: Pediatricians will emphasize prevention of disease and ill health, as well as care for illness which has not been prevented.

Service: Pediatricians will deliver the best possible preventative and curative services for children, and will strive for the necessary facilities to provide these services.

Education: Pediatricians will design and implement education and training programs for pediatricians and other child health personnel, basing these programs on the needs of their populations and the best evidence based information.

Partnership: Pediatricians will seek out and work with other partners in maternal and child health, including their government ministries of health, United Nations agencies at country and global levels, and donors.

Advocacy: Pediatricians will promote health for all children from birth through adolescence, and will advocate for the right of every newborn, child, and adolescent to health and well being.

Collegiality: Pediatricians will be global citizens, collaborating locally and internationally with their colleagues in pediatrics and child health.

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IPA HISTORY

The International Pediatric Association (IPA) was formed in Paris in 1910 by a group of European pediatricians who assembled for the First International Congress of Pediatrics in 1912. Over the years, the IPA has evolved into a non-governmental organization with a membership of 145 National Pediatric Societies from 140 countries, 10 Regional Pediatric Societies representing all areas of the world, and 13 International Pediatric Specialty Societies including the International Pediatric Chairs Association and the World Federation of Associations of Pediatric Surgeons. The IPA, currently a volunteer-staffed organization, is incorporated in Switzerland and is governed by a Council of Delegates comprised of one representative from each Member Society, an elected Standing Committee, an Executive Committee of the Standing Committee, and its Officers.

The original purpose of the IPA was to foster relationships among the pediatricians of the world, thus promoting education and sharing of information about child health. With the exception of periods of the two World Wars of the 20th Century, the IPA has held International Congresses of Pediatrics every three years. The 23rd Congress was in Beijing, China, in 2001, the 24th International Congress in Cancun, Mexico, in August 2004, the 25th Congress will be in Athens, Greece, in August 2007, and the 26th Congress in Johannesburg, South Africa, in August 2010. Over the years, the IPA has conducted workshops and seminars addressing key child health issues, often in collaboration with WHO and UNICEF. The IPA is now working to mobilize its extensive network of pediatricians for advocacy and programs in child health, working whenever possible with UN agencies and with other global organizations. Key programs and interest areas include Better Medicines for Children, Child Health in Sub-Saharan Africa, Childhood Tuberculosis, Children's Environmental Health, Child Health in Humanitarian Emergency, Universal Immunization, Newborn Survival and Health, Child Survival and Health, Nutrition, Adolescent Health, HIV/AIDS, and Quality of Care and evidence based medicine. The IPA has been a member of the Boards of GAVI and the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health, and the Executive Committee of the Global Alliance for prevention of Obesity and Chronic Disease, and the Steering Committee of the Partnership for Maternal Newborn and Child Health. We are pleased to provide consultation and assistance in all areas of child health in all countries.

In 2002, at the time of the United Nations General Assembly Special Session on Children, the IPA drafted the New York Call to Action from Pediatricians of the World, in conjunction with UNICEF and WHO. This document signaled concern with global child health, noted the urgency of working towards the Millennium Development Goals, and emphasized the importance of country level action and collaborations between global partners in child health. In 2006, affirming these principles and expressing further concern for enhanced attention to achievement of the Millennium Development Goals, the IPA has issued a Millennium Call to Action for Pediatricians of the World which speaks to the urgency of attaining the Millennium Development Goals and to addressing the broader issues of achieving a reasonable level of health for children of the world. The IPA Millennium Call to Action emphasizes that Pediatricians can contribute to achievement of all eight of the Millennium Development Goals, as all have components important to the health of children and families.

In August 2007, the IPA Council of Delegates, representing the full IPA membership, voted unanimously to adopt the IPA MDG Project which is geared specifically to country level action addressing MDGs.

THE INTERNATIONAL PEDIATRIC ASSOCIATION MILLENNIUM CALL TO ACTION 2005 - 2015

Recalling and reaffirming the **New York Call to Action from the Pediatricians of the World** presented at the United Nations General Assembly Special Session on Children in 2002:

- Which recognized the tragedy of preventable child death and preventable child physical and psychosocial ill health
- Which noted that adequate knowledge and skills exist for prevention and treatment of the major global child health problems
- Which acknowledged that the International Pediatric Association with more than 500,000 pediatricians from countries throughout the world is strategically placed for leadership in global child health
- Which pledged the International Pediatric Association to work with United Nations agencies, governments, and other stakeholders to address urgent issues of global child health and to monitor progress towards achievement of the Millennium Development Goals

Expressing concern in 2005 that urgent action is needed to achieve fulfillment of the Millennium Development Goals in the decade 2005- 2015:

The International Pediatric Association now commits to bringing to its 145 national pediatric societies and 23 regional and international specialty pediatric societies throughout the world the urgency of working at country, regional, and global levels for achievement of indicators pertinent to child health for each of the Eight Millennium Development Goals (MDG's), and of monitoring progress on a regular basis for the next 10 years 2005 - 2015.

- **MDG One: Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger**
The International Pediatric Association, working with country level pediatric societies and its experts on nutrition and utilizing new growth standards being developed by the World Health Organization, will:
 - Promote monitoring of the proportion of underweight children under five years of age at country and regional levels.
 - Promote the WHO Global Strategy on Infant and Young Child Nutrition.
 - Work with partners to launch a global initiative for treatment and prevention of malnutrition in children.

- **MDG Two: Achieve universal primary education**

The IPA will emphasize elementary school attendance for all girls and boys as an integral component of child health and development and achievement of adolescent literacy as an integral component of adolescent health.

- **MDG Three: Promote gender equality and empower women**

The IPA will emphasize the importance of girls' primary, secondary, and tertiary education as basic components of child health and development, and will emphasize the importance of literacy to health in both adolescent girls and boys.

- **MDG Four: Reduce child mortality**

The IPA and its pediatricians at country level will:

- Work with other stakeholders to address the major causes of under-five mortality and infant mortality.
- Launch a Global Movement of Pediatricians for Newborn Survival and Health.
- Work with other stakeholders to promote cost effective interventions pertinent to the major causes of child mortality: diarrheal disease, pneumonia, vaccine preventable illness, malaria, and HIV/AIDS.
- Work with GAVI, WHO and UNICEF to identify and address barriers to childhood immunization at country level, and make universal immunization a major activity for pediatricians throughout the world.

- **MDG Five: Improve maternal health**

The IPA will:

- Emphasize adolescent girls' health, including reproductive health, as an important factor in maternal health.
- Work with colleagues in obstetrics and gynecology, midwifery, and nursing to assure that those who attend births are educated in basic newborn care as well as in care of the mother.

- **MDG Six: Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria, and other diseases**

The IPA will:

- Target prevention of HIV/AIDS in adolescents, both girls and boys, as an integral component of adolescent health programs.

- Emphasize school attendance of HIV orphans as an important component of HIV/AIDS and child health programs.

- Encourage and monitor the availability and use of insecticide treated bed nets for young children and the appropriate use of antimalarials for children in malaria risk areas.

- Conduct country and regional level workshops on the new guidelines for recognition and management of childhood TB, monitor their implementation at country level, and monitor inclusion of children in national TB control programs.

- **MDG Seven: Ensure environmental sustainability**

The IPA will:

- Conduct regional and country-level educational workshops on children's environmental health for pediatricians and other stakeholders in child health in collaboration with WHO, UNEP, and EPA, and designate country-level focal pediatricians for children's environmental health.
- Incorporate basic sanitation and safe water education into child health programs and advocate for safe and adequate drinking water in elementary schools.
- Promote appreciation of the role of the environment in child health, including the importance of trees and forestation.

- **MDG Eight: Develop a global partnership for development**

The IPA will:

- Include strategies for productive work for youth in adolescent health programs.
- Work with WHO and UNICEF to define and advocate for adequate and appropriate essential medicines for children and work for their availability for children at country level.

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