Membership Benefits

**Education Opportunities**
NCPeds provides and helps link members with quality free or low-cost options for CME, MOC and other educational requirements.

**Online Membership Forums**
An online, secure membership forum for discussion groups, ability to connect with pediatric professionals and more.

**Email Updates**
NCPeds regularly emails advocacy updates, educational and other opportunities.

**Annual Meeting**
Our signature event that includes opportunities to earn education credits, network, and learn about advances in pediatric administration and clinic topics.

**Open Forums**
Twice a year where health professionals can earn CME and network.

**Advocacy**
NCPeds informs the policy debate from a pediatric perspective and encourages members to engage.

**Practice Management Support**
Practice managers and other staff can join our robust PM network that includes an active listserv for questions and tips and two in-person meetings each year with CEU.

**Service and Leadership Opportunities**
We draw from our membership for service on the Board and committees, speakers at events, and representation with State of NC Boards and Commissions.

Join NCPeds

The North Carolina Pediatric Society (NCPeds) and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) offer membership options to fit pediatric health professionals at all stages of their careers. We encourage all NCPeds’ members to be AAP members – and vice versa!

Membership is available to pediatricians (MD and DO), practice managers, pediatric residents, Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants. To join: ncpeds.org/join
Since its first meeting in 1931, the North Carolina Pediatric Society (NCPeds) has served the pediatric medical community in North Carolina. As the state affiliate of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), we work to promote opportunities for pediatric professionals. This includes general pediatricians, pediatric surgeons and subspecialists, med-peds physicians, developmental pediatricians, neonatologists and medical students. We also work to make your job easier by promoting healthy communities for children to live, grow, learn and play.

Now with nearly 2,000 members statewide, NCPeds is dedicated to serving the state’s pediatric health professionals in all stages of their careers from medical students and residents to retired physicians.

**Education**
NCPeds provides numerous educational opportunities for our members. We have in-person meetings, lunch-time webinars, QI opportunities and other venues to hear about the latest in medical care and pediatric treatment. Many events offer CME, MOC or other credit and opportunity to network with colleagues.

**Advocacy**
NCPeds is the voice of the pediatric health community in North Carolina with vigorous involvement in child health and medical policy. We work for strong policies to support healthy children and communities. We engage a lobbyist, host multiple advocacy days at the NC General Assembly, and provide members with regular updates on legislative proposals. We also work closely with state agencies to assure that the pediatric perspective is considered in policy implementation, including rates paid for vaccine administration, development of school health assessments and more. At the national level, we support NCPeds’ members participation in the AAP’s annual legislative conference with scholarships.

**Membership Involvement & Networking Opportunities**
NCPeds members are the core of our organization. Member needs and interests inform our education offerings, focus of advocacy efforts, online community forums and much more. We also rely on members to represent the NC pediatric perspective in a variety of forums, from NC legislative task forces to AAP committees. In-person meetings, online forums, and committee service allow for diverse networking opportunities. For information about NCPeds’ committees and the Board of Directors, visit www.ncpeds.org.

**Fostering Health NC**
Connecting Children in Foster Care with Medical Homes
In 2014, NCPeds formed Fostering Health NC, a statewide initiative focused on improving health outcomes for children and youth in foster care. We recognize that these children and youth are considered by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) to be children with special health care needs and that medical home models help answer those needs.

We work with a multidisciplinary advisory team to ensure that every child in foster care is assigned to a medical home and that their care aligns with the standards recommended by the AAP. We also work with local/county Departments of Social Services (DSS), Community Care of North Carolina (CCNC) networks, the pediatric care teams, families and children to ensure the care is coordinated.

This would not be possible without the input and dedication of our member practices, and we invite you to contact our Fostering Health NC team to learn how you can be involved.

Check out the Fostering Health online library for more details: www.ncpeds.org/foster-care-medical-home