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The ABP - by the numbers

- Established in 1933
- Since then, the ABP has certified over 125,000 general pediatricians and 30,000 specialists in 15 subspecialties
- 400+ pediatric volunteers set ABP policies, write exam questions, develop continuing certification programs
- One of 24 specialty boards recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS)
- Estimated 70K certified pediatricians in U.S.
Our Vision and Mission

VISION
Inspiring a lifetime pursuit of learning to improve child health

MISSION
Advancing child health by certifying pediatricians who meet standards of excellence and are committed to continuous learning and improvement
What Does the ABP Do?

- **Credentials pediatric trainees** who are completing ACGME-accredited training programs and documents successful completion of training before allowing trainees to sit for initial certification exam(s)

- **Awards certificates to residents** who pass the initial certification exam in general pediatrics, as well as to fellows who pass the subspecialty exams

- **Provides continuing certification opportunities**
  - Assessments: MOCA-Peds (a longitudinal assessment and learning platform)
  - Learning opportunities: latest medical advances and best practices (QOW)
  - Quality improvement activities: improving professional practice

- **Provides leadership** in medical credentialing, pediatric education, and child health; research and initiatives through the ABP Foundation
Children (41%) are poorer than adults (28-29%) thus affecting
  • access to services
  • insurance coverage
  • exposure to ACEs
• 25% 1st/2nd generation immigrants
• 25% Hispanic origin
• 19% have a special health care need
• 41% of children with special health care needs have public insurance, nearly a doubling from 2001 to 2016

Sources: Child Trends, National Center for Children in Poverty
Common Chronic Conditions of Childhood

• ADHD
• Anxiety/depression
• Asthma
• Neurodevelopmental/learning disorders
• Obesity
• Other conditions (diabetes, cystic fibrosis, sickle cell disease, cancers, cerebral palsy, congenital heart disease)
Suicide

Suicide now the 2nd leading cause of death among 10-24 year olds

The percentage of high schoolers who reported seriously considering suicide has increased 25% since 2009

Source: Child Trends, CDC
Suicide rates of U.S. black and white youths

Suicide rate (per 1 million people)

Age

White

Black

J.A. Bridge et al/JAMA Pediatrics 2018
The Child Health Workforce in the Future?

- Fewer medical students going into pediatrics
- Pediatric subspecialties
  - Primarily at academic centers
  - “Greying” of some subspecialties
- Slower growth for pediatric NPs and PAs
- Unclear impact of “disruptors” to the medical home
The Child Health Workforce in the Future?

- Limited numbers of child and adolescent psychiatrists
Implications for Child Health Primary Care

• Clinical expertise requires understanding child development, sociodemographics, chronic diseases, and child-serving systems

• Parents’ and children’s physical and emotional health impact each other

• Promotion of physical, emotional, and cognitive development during childhood essential to improve children’s trajectories and their adult health
Implications for Child Health Primary Care

• It takes a village!
  • Children’s health addressed in different sectors: schools, home visitation, early intervention programs, child welfare, health departments, foster care
  • Competencies and certification standards must be established for different professionals working with infants, children, adolescents, young adults and their families

• Subspecialty workforce issues are different from adults and require some unique considerations

• New care models and payment strategies critical in the support of the primary care pediatrician
What is the ABP doing?

- **Behavioral/mental health call to action** across pediatric groups and other organizations (NASEM Forum for Children’s Well-being)

- **Roadmap initiative** which highlights B/MH issues in children with chronic medical conditions

- **Workforce data** on certified general pediatricians and subspecialists publicly available on our website [www.abp.org](http://www.abp.org)

- **Innovations** to help keep pediatricians up to date

- **Ongoing review of the knowledge base and competencies/skills** (e.g., motivational interviewing, team-based care) necessary for the primary care pediatrician in the 21st century