

2018 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

New York State American Academy of Pediatrics (NYS AAP) A Coalition of AAP NY Chapters 1, 2 & 3

WORKING TO SUPPORT AND ENHANCE CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

Lowering State Blood Lead Action Level

A.6906/S.6472

Lowers Blood Action Level from the current 10mg/l to 5mg/l. 5mg/l is the CDC level. NYS needs to catch up to the CDC recommendation to protect our children from the hazards of Lead Poisoning.

CMV Newborn Testing

A.00587c/S.02816b

Creates a requirement for newborn testing for CMV if the newborn fails a hearing test, and specifically identifies the urine polymerase chain reaction test as the one to use.

Newborn Standing Orders

A.9950

Allows the nurse attending the birth of a healthy newborn to use a Standing Order to place the healthy newborn in the regular newborn nursery.

Flu in Infant & Child Care

A1230a/S.06346

Requires infants, toddlers and young children to get an annual flu immunization to attend infant and child care.

Children's Toxic Chemical Labeling and Disclosure Act

A.07950/S.06034

This legislation proposes New York State require manufacturers to:

- Identify chemicals of high concern based on their inherent hazards
- Create a priority list of chemicals of high concern found in children's products
- Require manufacturers to disclose use of priority chemicals in children's products

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Tobacco 21 A.273/S.3978

Raises the tobacco purchase age to 21 statewide.

Tanning A.07218a/S.05585

Raises the age of tanning to 18.

Gun Safe Storage

A.01990/S.03355

Requires **all** gun owners to store their weapons in a gun safe or in a locked box, and with a trigger lock. It also requires keeping ammunition in a place separate from the gun. This universal safe storage requirement will help protect all children in homes with guns.

Crib Bumpers A.04151a/S.04055b

Limits the sale of crib bumpers to only mesh bumpers which are fully porous.

Tax on Vape Fluids

This tax will help limit young people's access to vaping. Any increase in tobacco products has been proven to decrease adolescent uptake and reduce continued use.

Conversion Therapy Prohibition

A.3977/S.00263

Prohibits a mental health professional from engaging in sexual orientation change efforts with a patient under 18 years of age.

Insurance Coverage for the Cost of Donor Breast Milk

A.7897/S.7190

Requires all health insurers to cover the cost of Donor Breast Milk, based on medical necessity.

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Provide Schools with Access to Children's Blood Lead Levels from NYSIIS A.03899a/S.03741A

Allows school personnel access to children's blood lead levels through the NYSIIS (immunization registry), so they can begin interventions as early as possible. New York City already allows NYC schools access to this information through its CIR. It is time to allow schools across the state the same access.

Cordless Blinds A.320/S.6519

Requires child care centers to install cordless blinds or other non-hazardous window coverings when they renovate a physical space.

Reproductive Health Care Act

Assures statewide access to all reproductive health care for all New Yorkers.

Child Victims' Act

Extends the statute of limitations (time frame) for victims of sexual abuse to bring court cases.