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# NEWS & NOTES

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## SAVE THE DATE! NYS AAP Advocacy Day March 22, 2016

Speak up for children and pediatricians in NYS at our 2016 Advocacy Day! Registration details to follow.

EVENT: NYS AAP Advocacy Day  
DATE: Tuesday, March 22, 2016  
TIME: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
LOCATION: University Club / 141 Washington Ave. / Albany, NY

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## New Meningococcal School Vaccine Requirement Starting Sept. 1, 2016

The state is implementing new requirements for meningococcal immunization for school entry. Requirements will be enforced for the September 2016 school year.

All teens will need to be caught up by September 2016. Start immunizing your patients now to avoid the rush in late summer of 2016.

[Click Here for the full document from the NYSDOH.](#)

## PCMH Incentive Change

As most of you know, New York State will stop paying PCMH incentive payments for Level 1 NCQA starting on January 1, 2016. Practices at NCQA Levels 2 & 3 will continue to receive incentive payments. [Click Here for the NYSDOH's letter describing the upcoming PCMH incentive changes.](#)

We encourage Level 1 practices to explore the feasibility of moving up a Level to not only improve their care of patients, but also to be able to continue to receive incentive payments.

The AAP has multiple resources and supports available to pediatric practices who want to enhance the quality of their PCMH.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Elie Ward, NYS AAP Director of Policy & Advocacy, at [eward@aap.net](mailto:eward@aap.net).

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## Now Accepting Applications: Tobacco Control Clinical Practice Trainings

The American Academy of Pediatrics is seeking applicants for a training that will educate clinicians about messages, tools, and counseling protocols to screen and counsel patients and families about tobacco use and secondhand smoke exposure during clinical encounters.

Clinicians will be taught how to effectively integrate these practices into their existing practice systems. Topics covered include coding for these encounters, tackling e-cigarette use, and gaining buy-in for systems change from colleagues. Applicants are encouraged to attend the training in pairs of a pediatrician and another member of the practice team. There will be two separate trainings and applicants will attend one of the two. Coach airfare, transportation between airport and hotel, hotel accommodations, and meals included during the trainings will all be covered.

To be considered, applications must be received by 5:00 pm ET on January 8, 2016. Please email questions to [richmondcenter@aap.org](mailto:richmondcenter@aap.org).

[For more information, Read the Application Here.](#)

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