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"The purpose of human life is to serve, and to show compassion and the will to help others."

~Albert Schweitzer

HOPE Has a New Number: 988

WHAT IS 9-8-8?

On October 17, 2020, the National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020 was enacted. This act created a new number, 9-8-8, as a universal telephone number for national suicide prevention and a mental health crisis hotline system.

On July 16, 2022, 9-8-8 was activated across the U.S. The existing National Suicide Prevention Lifeline's (1-800-273-8255) network will transition to using the 988-dialing code. This is the beginning of something that over time will expand and evolve in every state and community to have additional crisis services available in communities across the nation, much the way emergency medical services work.

World Breastfeeding Week

August 1-7 is World Breastfeeding Week. Many hospitals will be having events that support and promote breastfeeding during this time.

The AAP Section on Breastfeeding has scheduled a webinar on Wednesday, August 10th, 7-8 pm CST on the new policy statement and technical report on Breastfeeding and the Use of Human Milk. This webinar will summarize current breastfeeding statistics, the benefits of breastfeeding, and opportunities to advocate for breastfeeding supportive policies at the local, state, and national levels. CME will **not** be offered. A post-event recording will be available.

Register today: https://bit.ly/BF_PS22

Panelists:

- Lori Feldman-Winter, MD, MPH, FAAP
- Joan Younger-Meek, MD, MS, RD, FABM, IBCLC, FAAP
- Lawrence Noble, MD, FAAP

The Section on Breastfeeding is seeking women who are breastfeeding and attending the AAP National Conference & Exhibition with their infant. The volunteer will serve as a teaching assistant by sharing their breastfeeding experiences and feeding their infant if they get hungry during the session.

1. When: Monday, October 10th from either 8:30-10 am PST or 2:00-3:30 pm PST at the Anaheim Convention Center. TAs can choose one of those times.
2. TAs will receive 50% off registration
3. Complete this survey by August 10th to volunteer

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NCE22_Breastfeeding_Volunteer

Change in NH Legislation Related to Childhood Lead Poisoning Decreases Provider Workload and Improves Patient Care

Effective August 23, 2022, New Hampshire healthcare providers will no longer be required to choose between “declaring” a pediatric patient to have an elevated venous blood lead level (VBLL) when the result is 5ug/dL or higher, or ordering a second VBLL to “confirm” the initial elevation.

For well over a decade, New Hampshire providers have completed paperwork regarding these options, prior to the Division of Public Health Services’ Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (HHLPPP) conducting an investigation for lead hazards in children’s homes. On June 24, 2022, Governor Sununu signed House Bill 1661 into law, removing language from RSA 130-A *Lead Paint Poisoning Prevention and Control*, regarding the necessity of the second venous testing.

Anticipated benefits related to this change include fewer lead-poisoned children lost to follow up, prompter investigations for lead hazards in children’s homes, and decreased administrative burden for healthcare providers and their staff.

Nurse case managers from the HHLPPP will continue to reach out to healthcare practices with requests for general information to facilitate case management. Case management service for lead-poisoned children and their families includes education, home visits, and guidance regarding medical management of this condition.

NEW Self-Paced Child Abuse: The KNOW & TELL® Program for Healthcare Providers

<https://ncjtc.fvtc.edu/trainings/TR01163098/TRI1163220/know-tell-for-healthcare-providers>

Learn the signs of neglect, physical, and sexual child abuse to identify a child victim and understand your responsibility as a healthcare professional and mandated reporter. Awareness of these signs is a critical step to protecting our children. We all have a responsibility to protect children. No Fee

This training is intended for individuals in a healthcare profession only. Continuing education credits (CME and CNE) are available through Dartmouth-Hitchcock. KNOW & TELL® is a public responsibility movement to educate all New Hampshire adults to

KNOW the signs of abuse and TELL responsible authorities when they recognize them. Individuals living outside of the State of New Hampshire are welcome to participate in this training but should inquire with their own state as to reporting procedures and requirements.

Accreditation:

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of Dartmouth-Hitchcock and the Granite State Children's Alliance. Dartmouth-Hitchcock is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

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Dartmouth-Hitchcock Nursing Continuing Education Council is accredited as a provider of nursing continuing professional development by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. This educational activity carries 5.0 contact hours.

This activity is provided by Dartmouth-Hitchcock Nursing Continuing Education Council and jointly provided by the Granite State Children's Alliance.

Course Instructors:

- Dr. Gladstone is a retired pediatrician who practiced primary care and the specialty of Child Abuse Medicine in New Hampshire; she is a charter member of the Attorney General's Task Force on Child Abuse and neglect and now works administratively with the Child Advocacy and Protection Program (CAPP) at Children's Hospital at Dartmouth.
- Dr. Oral is a Professor of Pediatrics at the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth College and is the current Director of the Child Advocacy and Protection Program (CAPP) at Children's Hospital at Dartmouth; she is board certified in child abuse pediatrics.

What's In It For You:

Preventing, recognizing, and responding effectively to child abuse and neglect are top priorities for healthcare professionals. This course is highly focused on two of these topics - recognition and response.

Learning Outcome:

At the conclusion of this learning activity, you will be able to discuss best practices in the recognition, care and treatment of child abuse and neglect in health care settings. You will be able to:

- Recognize child abuse and neglect in medical settings
- Talk with children and their caregivers about possible maltreatment
- Understand why and how to report suspected abuse and neglect to appropriate agencies
- Participate effectively with multidisciplinary teams that evaluate suspected child abuse and neglect

Is This Training For You?

- Physicians Medical Residents,
- Fellows,
- Faculty, or Medical Students
- Registered Nurses
- Licensed Practical Nurses
- Physician Assistants

- Social Workers
- Healthcare Administration
- Other Healthcare Professionals

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Vax Like a Champion

Sept 28 & 29 - [Virtual 2022 National HPV Vaccination Roundtable National Meeting: Vax Like a Champion](#)

Patriots Foundation MPV Award

Mike Matos, MD, Wolfeboro Pediatrics/Huggins Hospital – was just awarded the Patriots Foundation MPV award – recognizing his volunteer work as medical director at Camp CareFree for children with Type 1 diabetes. Great article and great award! See embedded image and headline below. Mike Matos is a NH AAP member.



From left: John Claughton, Procter & Gamble's vice president of grooming for North America, Patriots Chairman and CEO Robert Kraft, and Patriots and Pro Football Hall of Famer Andre Tippett congratulate Huggins Hospital pediatrician Michael Matos, MD, for being selected as a 2022 Myra Kraft Community MVP Award winner. (ERIC J. ALDER/NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS PHOTO)

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Opportunities Available: This is a new section of the newsletter to highlight opportunities to get involved or for help needed. If you have something you want listed, please contact catrina.watson@nhms.org

NHAAP is looking for chapter members who would like to be part of a chapter interest group on diversity/equity/inclusion (DEI). This would be an informal group that aims to highlight issues in this area for pediatricians. Please respond to catrina.watson@nhms.org.

NH AAP meetings

2022 Meetings will be September 14 and December 14. Meetings will be held virtually until further notice.

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