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Executive committee = president, VP, secretary/treasurer, past president

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Dr. Martha Edwards (2024-2026) Vice president

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Members elected at-large

Dr. Jonathan Brock (2024 – 2026) – Central

Pediatric Council—

DHHS medical director- Dr. Kevin Wessinger

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Dr. Debbie Greenhouse (chair)

Dr. Betsy Oddo-

DPH medical advisory committee – Dr. Lloyd Kapp

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PROS – Dr. Debbie Greenhouse

Dr. Anna Hoffius (2024 – 2026) – Lowcountry

CATCH –

Dr. Rachel Zweigeron

Dr. Ranya Chakra

Mental health working group-

Dr. Dane Pierce

Dr. Deandra Clark

Dr. Beth Morphis

Dr. Jan Key

Dr. Leigh Bragg (2025-27) – Upstate

Thompson

Senior physicians –

Dr. Dane Pierce (chair)

Dr. Rob Walker

Chairs of the Pediatric Departments

Dr. Andy Atz (MUSC)

Dr. Caughman Taylor (PH-M)

Dr. George Haddad (acting chair Prisma Upstate)

Continuing Medical Education Committee

Dr. Matt Grisham (chair 2025-2026)

Dr. Erin Balog

Dr. Scott Carney

Resident poster session subcommittee chair- Drs. Jenny Hudson (chair 2024-2026)

Nominating Committee

Dr. Elizabeth Mack (Past president & chair 2024-2026)

Dr. Kevin Wessinger

Dr. Eliza Varadi

Dr. Michelle Steffen

Dr. Weave Whitehead

Membership Committee

Dr. Betsy Oddo (chair 2024-2026)

Dr. Elena Goldstein (trainee 2024 – 2026)

Practice Support Committee

Dr. Blakely Amati (chair 2024-2026)

Subcommittees:

Asthma – Dr. Steve Snodgrass

Oral health – Dr. Blakely Amati

Foster care – Dr. Anna Hoffius

Immunizations – Dr. Eliza Varadi

Breastfeeding – Dr. Jennifer Hudson

Healthy Lifestyles-

Dr. Christine San Giovanni

Dr. Erin Brackbill

DEI team

Dr. Silvia Pereira-Smith (chair 2025-2027)

Trainee: Dr. Cayla Wakser (2025-27)

Dr. Maggie LaPorte

Dr. Brenda Alvarado

Out-of-Office Care Committee

Dr. Debbie Greenhouse (chair 2024-2026)

Subcommittees:

Tobacco prevention: Dr. Ranya Chakra

School health

Dr. Janice Key (chair)

Dr. Blakely Amati

Dr. Leigh Bragg

Dr. Jenny Bayuk

Telemedicine

Dr. James McElligott (chair)

Dr. Mark Mitchiner

Dr. Lillianne Debnam



AI

Dr. Duncan Norton

Pediatric interest groups & residency programs:

Prisma Health Midlands:

Peds residency director: Dr. Angie Brown

Peds residency co-director: Dr. April Hobbs

Coordinator: Whitney W Abreu

PIG Faculty advisor: Dr. Sara Lindsey

Student coordinator: Patty Freytag

PIG president: Abigail Shealy

Residency advocacy director: Dr. Jeanette Epstein

Resident rep: Dr. Emily Pallat

Prisma Health Upstate:

Peds residency director: Dr. Amanda Hartke

Coordinator: Lora Shubert

Med/peds residency director: Dr. Sarah Hinton

Med/peds coordinator: Megan Houston

PIG faculty advisor: Dr. Osman Yousufzai

PIG president: Paige Novota, Misbaah Muqri

PIG organization:

MPIG president: ***

MPIG faculty advisor: Dr. Sarah Hinton

Residency advocacy director: Dr. Blakely Amati

Resident rep: DR. Ciara Amstutz,

MUSC:

Peds residency director: Dr. Dave Mills

Residency coordinator: Becky Hasegawa & Madison Hicks

Med/peds residency director: Dr. Sarah Mennito

Med/peds residency coordinator: Krista Jackson

Student coordinator: Emily McGinnis

Student education faculty rep: Dr. Trish McBurney

PIG president: Emily Clarke & Sydney Steinsberger

PIG Faculty advisor: Dr. Christine San Giovanni

MPIG president: not currently active

MPIG faculty advisor: Dr. Jamel Brown

Residency advocacy director: Dr. Steph Kwon

Med student AAP rep: Kaila Martin

Resident AAP rep: Dr. Elena Goldstein

SCAAP Members with National Roles:

- Eliza Varadi, MD: Section on administration and practice management, executive committee
- Routt Reigart, MD, FAAP: Committee on drugs, chair
- Evelyn Rodriguez, MD, MPH, FAAP: Epidemiology, Public Health, and Evidence, executive committee member
- Lilliane Lewis Debnam, MD, FAAP: Section on Epidemiology, Public Health, and Evidence, executive committee member; Prevention and Public Health Special Interest Group (PPH SIG), co-chair
- Silvia Pereira-Smith, MD, FAAP: executive committee, AAP Council on Healthy Mental and Emotional Development
- Debbie Greenhouse, MD, FAAP: District IV vice chair
- Elizabeth H. Mack, MD, MS: Chapter forum management committee & Chair-elect of medical subspecialty alliance
- Heather Staples, MD: Executive committee for Section on pulmonology and sleep medicine

SOECP District IV Reps

DR: Laura Workman, MD

ADR: Erika Cravanas, MD