**American Academy of Pediatrics**

**Child Welfare and Health Policy Pediatric Fellowship FAQs**

**What is the Child Welfare and Health Policy Pediatric Fellowship offered by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)?**

The Child Welfare and Health Policy Pediatric Fellowship is an annual one-year paid program designed to support the contributions of practicing pediatricians to AAP's child welfare policy initiatives.

**What is the purpose of this fellowship?**

The purpose of this fellowship is to provide critical clinical expertise and experience to inform and shape AAP's involvement in child welfare policy work. Fellows will work on the intersection of pediatric care and child welfare policy, educating the medical community and policymakers, and advising AAP on complex child welfare policy matters.

**Who is eligible to apply for this fellowship?**

Applicants must be board-certified pediatricians or pediatric sub-specialists who are Fellows of the AAP (FAAP) and have three to five years of clinical patient care experience with children involved in the child welfare system.

**What skills are required for this fellowship?**

Applicants should have strong writing, policy analysis, and project management skills to be considered for this fellowship.

**How much time commitment is required for this fellowship?**

The fellowship requires a commitment of eight hours per week for one calendar year beginning in January 2024.

**How do I apply for the fellowship?**

To apply, send your CV and a personal statement of no more than 500 words outlining what you aim to accomplish through the fellowship to ChildWelfareFellowship@aap.org.

**Is there a deadline for applications?**

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis through November 13, 2024.

**Is the fellowship location-specific?**

No, the fellowship is designed to be worked on remotely, with the fellow working with the Senior Director of Federal Advocacy & Child Welfare Policy and the Manager of Child Welfare Policy and attending a couple of in-person opportunities over the course of the calendar year.

**Is the fellowship paid?**

Yes, the fellowship includes a competitively designed award.

**How will I know if I was selected for the opportunity?**

Applicants will be notified about their selection on a rolling basis through 12/31.