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COCWD e-Newsletter... We're Glad You Like the New Format!

As you know, we piloted a new version of the COCWD e-Newsletter in May. We received positive feedback, so we will proceed with this format. Please continue to send any comments or suggestions to [Chelsea Fosse](#). We plan to send the e-Newsletter quarterly (February, May, August, and November) with calls for content sent periodically via the COCWD e-mail list. We hope you continue to enjoy the COCWD e-Newsletter!

Chairperson's Column

Dear Friends,

Let's celebrate! July 26, 2010 marked the 20th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). In our daily practices, we refer infants with developmental delays to Early Intervention Programs. We order wheelchairs, confident that the children who use them can navigate school hallways. The majority of our US children with disabilities are educated in their neighborhood schools in regular classrooms. But it wasn't always this way. In 1967, nearly 200,000 people with disabilities were housed in state institutions. During the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s, discrimination on the basis of race, religion and national origin was prohibited, but it wasn't until 1973 (Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act) that the rights of people with disabilities were addressed. [\[More\]](#)

New COCWD Autism Subcommittee (ASC) Members

Introducing your 4 new COCWD Autism Subcommittee members, who began their terms on July 1, 2010. Click [here](#) to see who was elected.

AAP Opportunities & Resources

Hearing Screening Supplement Announcement

A supplement to the August 2010 issue of *Pediatrics* titled "Improving the System of Care for Infants and Children with Early Hearing Loss" features a series of articles highlighting the challenges that remain to be addressed to ensure early diagnosis and intervention for all children with early hearing loss. [\[More\]](#)

Medical Home Implementation: A Five-Part CME Series Now Available

The AAP and the National Center for Medical Home Implementation are proud to offer child health professionals with practical strategies for implementing medical home in practice access to continuing medical education courses through the Training section of the National Center Web site. [\[More\]](#)

Measuring Medical Homes: Tools to Evaluate the Pediatric Patient- and Family-Centered Medical Home

The purpose of this monograph is to present various tools available and in use to identify, recognize, and evaluate a practice as a pediatric medical home. [\[More\]](#)

New Resource - Medical Home State Data Pages

The Data Resource Center has partnered with the National Center for Medical Home Implementation and the AAP to help state and family leaders access data on how children and youth in each state experience receiving care within a

medical home. [\[More\]](#)

Developmental Screening in Early Childhood Systems

A report summarizing the discussions of a recent summit hosted by AAP's Healthy Child Care America/Child Care and Health Partnership is now available. [\[More\]](#)

Register Now for DB:PREP®, December 8-12, 2010

Join us at the Swissotel in Chicago, IL for this comprehensive review of developmental and behavioral pediatrics. Register online or by phone at 800/433-9016, option 3. [\[More\]](#)

Recognizing Early Motor Delays CME Course

Pathways Awareness, in conjunction with the AAP, is proud to announce the availability of a new online continuing medical education (CME) course: *Recognizing Early Motor Delays at the 2-month Pediatric Well Visit* [\[More\]](#)

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AAP Pediatric Coding Webinar Series

Learn how to simplify coding and billing-and expedite payment-with pediatric-specific insights, tips, and strategies from leading pediatric coding experts. [\[More\]](#)

Quality Improvement Innovation Network (QuIN)

The Quality Improvement Innovation Network (QuIN) is the AAP's quality improvement network of practicing pediatricians and their staff. The mission of QuIN is to improve care and outcomes for children and families. [\[More\]](#)

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