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This month's newsletter is packed with updates on network activities, and valuable resources for your practice.



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KidWell Resources Updates:

New Resource Available

Asthma Clinical Pathway Now on the KidWell Website

We're excited to share that the Asthma Clinical Pathway is now live on the KidWell website!

This pathway provides clinicians with clear guidance to support children (≥ 5 years old) with intermittent or persistent asthma, while identifying important exclusion criteria.

Key Highlights:

- ✓ Inclusion & exclusion criteria at a glance
- ✓ Guidance for initial assessment
- ✓ Tools to evaluate risk and treatment technique
- ✓ Considerations for comorbidities, allergy triggers, and lung function testing
- ✓ Integration with the Asthma Clinical Pathway Smart Set



📌 Access the full pathway here: [KidWell Asthma Clinical Pathway](#)



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KidWell Resources Updates:

Recording Now Available – NCHDE CIN Lunch & Learn

AAP Advocacy in 2025

Featuring Dr. Miller

Did you miss our **May 27th Lunchtime Lecture Series?** The full session recording is now available on-demand:

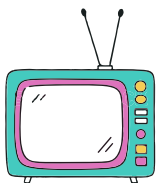
👉 [NCHDE CIN Lunch and Learn | AAP Advocacy in 2025](#)

In this engaging session, Dr. Miller unpacks the latest on pediatric advocacy and policy shifts from the AAP's front lines on Capitol Hill. Learn how advocacy is shaping child health legislation—and how you can take part.

Objectives:

- Discuss the importance of advocacy in Pediatrics
- Highlight national advocacy priorities for the American Academy of Pediatrics
- Review opportunities for local advocacy with the Delaware Chapter of the AAP

📌 CME Credit Available



Motivational Interviewing in the Immunization Space

Speaker: Kate Smith, MD, MPH — Immunization Coalition of Delaware

The August 6th KWN LLS recording will be available soon.



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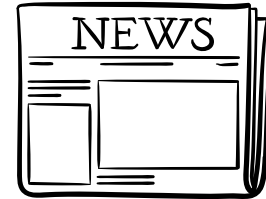
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KidWell Resource Updates:

AAP Publishes Updated Vaccine Schedule





Shared via Dr. Jonathan Miller



The **American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)** has released its **evidence-based immunization schedule** for infants, children, and adolescents — now available in [Red Book Online](#) and soon on [AAP.org](#) and [HealthyChildren.org](#).

This schedule reinforces the AAP's long tradition of issuing clear, science-driven guidance to protect children's health and provide clarity amidst conflicting recommendations.

Along with the schedule, the AAP has published updated guidance on:

-  [Childhood Vaccine Schedule](#)
-  [COVID-19 Immunizations](#)
-  [RSV Immunization](#)
-  [Influenza Recommendations](#)

The recommendations were developed by the AAP Committee on Infectious Diseases, approved by the Board of Directors, and timed for the upcoming respiratory virus season.

Why this matters:

Evidence-based recommendations to guide practice
Parent-friendly versions for family discussions
Resources to support vaccine delivery, coverage, and advocacy
Vaccines remain a cornerstone of pediatric preventive medicine, and the AAP continues to ensure access, accuracy, and advocacy for every child.



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Resource: CHE Education

SEASONAL SICKNESS EDUCATION BRING CHE TO YOUR PRACTICE!

The Community Health Education (CHE) Team is here to support your patients and families with engaging, interactive programs that make a difference.

👉 **Right now is the perfect time** to request a CHE program — especially their Seasonal Sickness education session for parents and children.



This 30-minute program helps families:

- Understand the difference between cold, flu, and COVID-19 symptoms
- Learn who needs seasonal vaccines and why
- Know when to call the doctor
- Get practical tips to stay safe during cold and flu season

Why it matters:

Having the CHE team facilitate this session in your practice enhances patient care, improves vaccine confidence, and gives families the tools they need to manage seasonal illness.

✉ To request a session for your practice, please reach out to [Asya Richardson](#) or [Nicole Schwegler](#) today.



**Request a CHE Session
Today!**

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KidWell Resources Updates:

Vax Vibes Central: Get Ready to Rumble (with the Flu!)



What's New?

- **Weekly Flu Updates Begin September 8!**

Every Monday you'll receive fresh updates straight to your inbox — including surveillance data, trending hot spots, and (coming soon) our KWN Community Flu Dashboard, showing % of your patients vaccinated.

- **Conversation Starters at Your Fingertips**

Look for **AAP-approved "opt-in" talking points** you can use with families to boost vaccine confidence in the moment.

- **Celebrate Staff Champions!**

Did you catch a non-clinical staff member going the extra mile to talk to a patient or family about flu vaccination? 🎉

Nominate them to be featured in our next newsletter — let's give credit where it's due!



Flu Fun: Word Hunt Challenge!

Because flu season doesn't have to be all serious...
Can you find these flu-related words hidden below? 🧐

Words to Find: Vaccine • Fever • Mask • Cough • Germs

👉 (Pro tip: Use Ctrl+F / "Find" on your keyboard or tap your screen search to spot them faster!)

M A S K Q P L V A C C I N E T
R E F E V E R N Y H G R S O U
C O U G H A E T G E R M S J P
Z X C V B N M Q W E R T Y U I

✅ First 3 people to email us a screenshot of their solved puzzle will get a shout-out in the next issue!

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KidWell Announcements:

Upcoming KidWell Meetings

● **QCMC (Quality & Care Management Committee)**

- Wednesday, September 3, 2025 – **✗ CANCELED**

● **KidWell LLS (Lunchtime Lecture Series)**

- Wednesday, September 23, 2025 – 12:00-1:00 PM



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KidWell Meeting Details

NEW NAME, NEW TIME

Q-CONNECT

We're excited to announce that beginning this fall, **QCMC meetings will become Q-Connect – Kidwell Network Quality + Connection.**

Q-Connect Purpose:

A dedicated space to collaborate, share updates, and innovate together. We'll review network quality performance, strengthen workflows, exchange best practices, and drive improvements in patient care—all while building stronger connections across the network.

New Virtual Meeting Time:

 Meetings will alternate between 12–1 pm and 1–2 pm each month.

Upcoming Schedule:

- Oct 1, 2025 – 12–1 pm
- Nov 5, 2025 – 1–2 pm
- Dec 3, 2025 – 12–1 pm



We look forward to seeing you at **Q-Connect** as we continue to advance quality and strengthen our network connections!



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SPOTLIGHT FEATURE



KidWell Lunch Time Lecture Series

Join us on **September 23, 2025 (12pm-1pm)**

A Deeper Dive into Chronic Asthma Management

Presenters:

- Danielle Burns, PharmD — Director of Pharmacy
- Heather Ammirata, DMSc, PA-C — Advanced Clinical Pathways Data Specialist & Pediatric Neurology Physician Assistant

Join us for an in-depth discussion on the **Chronic Asthma Pathway**, featuring practical strategies, data-driven insights, and real-world applications to improve pediatric asthma management.

- ✓ Learn the latest updates in chronic asthma care
- ✓ Enhance your clinical decision-making
- ✓ Participate in a dedicated Q&A with subject matter experts

👉 Click here to join the meeting [Link](#)

📌 CME credit available

Come with questions—leave with actionable steps.



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Thank You for Making Our Celebration a Success! A huge thank you to all who attended our recent event — and a heartfelt congratulations to the practices who received awards! Your dedication, innovation, and teamwork are what make our network shine.

Every single one of you is part of the KidWell League of Superheroes — providers, staff, and leaders who come together to make the KidWell CIN great for children and families.

Superhero Highlights

- Applause for the practices recognized for excellence this year
- Shout-out to all KidWell practices working daily to improve child health
- Special thanks to our community of superheroes who bring energy, creativity, and compassion to everything they do

Because of you, children across our region receive smarter, safer, and more connected care.

Keep the Momentum Going

Together, we are stronger than any challenge. Let's continue to lead with heart, power, and purpose — because every child deserves a team of superheroes behind them.



Photo's coming soon



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KidWell Resources Updates: Announcements



Join "The KidWell Krew!" for Nemours Run & Walk!

Ready to move for a great cause? Be part of "The KidWell Krew!" at the **inaugural Nemours Children's Health Run & Walk!**

- **When:** Saturday, September 20th, 8 a.m.
- **Where:** Nemours Estate, Wilmington, DE
- **Why:** Support the Compassionate Care Fund for Nemours kids.

This is a fantastic opportunity for **team building** and making a real impact. We're aiming for a **\$5,000 goal** – let's crush it!

Ready to be a hero?

[Click here to Join Our Team!](#) (Lace up & participate!)

Can't make it? You can still be a champion by clicking 'Donate Now!' on our team page!

Let's make a difference, together!



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Nominate a Stellar Colleague!

Do you know a coworker who consistently goes above and beyond? We want to celebrate their dedication in our Kudos Corner!

Shape the Newsletter!

We're always looking for ways to improve the departmental newsletter. Do you have ideas for future content, suggestions for topics, or feedback on the format? We value your input!

Share your thoughts and suggestions with Asya Richardson directly at asya.richardson@nemours.org.

We value your feedback and participation! **Contact Us:**



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See you next month!
The KidWell Network
Team



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KidWell Resources Updates:

Check out our newly upgraded website

[KidWellnetwork.org](https://kidwellnetwork.org)

Direct Access to KidWell Clinical Pathways

<https://kidwellnetwork.org/clinical-pathways.html>

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

