# Membership

## We Value our Members, and our Members Value Us!

The BC Pediatric Society represents all pediatricians in British Columbia through our affiliation with the Doctors of BC (as the Section of Pediatrics), as well as with the Consultant Specialists of BC. We work on decreasing the pay disparity between pediatricians and many other specialists. With BCPS membership you can take advantage of CME accredited events we provide at a reduced fee (or no fee). Our advocacy efforts can really make a difference for your patients and their families.

For these reasons, we encourage all pediatricians to be members of the BC Pediatric Society.

## How to join

- You can sign up for your membership when you receive your BCMA dues statement.
- You can click on the <u>BCPS Member Application 2024</u>, print and fill out the membership form, and mail it to us with your cheque.
- You can also pay your dues via credit card by choosing the membership category below and clicking the Buy Now button.

#### **Membership Category**



#### Top Reasons to Join

- 1. With your support, we can continue our work on decreasing the pay disparity between pediatricians and many other specialists
- 2. With your support, you can take advantage of the CME accredited events we provide at a reduced fee (or no fee) to members
- 3. With your support, our advocacy efforts can really make a difference for your patients and their families

## **Member Pricing**

## **Active - \$450**

A Person is eligible to be an Active Member if he or she is a physician who has been duly certified as a specialist in the practice of pediatrics by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, or equivalent, and who is in active practice in British Columbia.

## First Year of Practice - \$100

A Person is eligible to be a First Year of Practice Member if he or she is a physician who has been duly certified as a specialist in the practice of pediatrics by the Royal College of Canada, **or equivalent**, and who is in the first year of Practice.

#### Associate - \$200

A Person is eligible to be an Associate Member if he or she is a qualified pediatric subspecialist, working at BCCH only and on salary, with minimal ffs billing; or a family physician; or a specialist physician other than a pediatrician; or an allied health professional who is in active practice in a field related to the provision of child health care; or a pediatrician who is working less than 2 days a week; or a pediatrician who is on parental leave.

#### Resident / Medical Student Member - Free

A Person is eligible to be a Resident/Medical Student Member if he or she is a physician registered in a formal pediatric training program in British Columbia recognized by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or a medical student with an interest in pediatrics.

## Retired - \$25

A Person is eligible to be a Retired Member if he or she was formerly an Active Member in good standing who has now retired from the active practice of pediatrics in British Columbia.

## More Reasons to Join

## The BC Pediatric Society advocates for you - economically.

The BC Pediatric Society represents the economic interests of BC pediatricians as the Section of Pediatrics in the BC Medical Association (BCMA), and as the Section of Pediatrics at the Society of Specialty Physicians and Surgeons (SSPS). Physicians' compensation is negotiated through a formal process between the BCMA and the BC Government. The BCPS is very active in preparing submissions for this process and working to correct disparities between the sections.

# **Advocacy Projects**

We also have a number of advocacy for children and families projects going on – focused on increasing vaccine uptake and vaccine knowledge, transitioning patients from community pediatricians into adult care as they age out of pediatric care, and access to mental health care for children and youth.

## **The Prescription Pad Newsletter**

We publish a bi-monthly newsletter, "The Prescription Pad", with current topics about public health, practice-related articles, BCCH Departmental Updates, upcoming conference information, current studies as well as useful links.

# **Locum Registry**

The BCPS provides a service as a central source of information for those pediatricians requiring and those providing locum service.

#### **Continuing Medical Education**

We also provide accredited learning events - our annual two day conference and a series of

evening journal clubs. BCPS members get a significant discount to registration fees for the two day conference!

# **Regional Representation**

The BCPS executive has representation of the pediatricians working in the all the health authorities in British Columbia. These directors act as the liaison for the pediatricians in the local areas bringing forth and communicating back on relevant issues in an effective and timely manner.

Be part of the BC Pediatric Society's efforts on behalf of pediatricians and children and their families in B.C. - together we can unite in a stronger voice.