

Maine Chapter Strategic Plan

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	Topic	Objective	Activity or Deliverable
Child Health	Marijuana	Prevent marijuana poisoning or overdose in toddlers and children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Gather resources and post on website -Identify and work with other organizations to advocate for children's safety -Communicate with policy leaders and the public (ex: write Op eds and testimony for legislators -Advise state government on dangers of edible products to children – share research
	Substance Abuse	Engage in substance abuse prevention efforts across the state	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Promote SBIRT and CPAP screening – write grant for SBIRT education -Advocate for children to be covered in large state programs (ex: Mainecare) -Partner with New Hampshire chapter to address neonatal abstinence syndrome -Assist Deb Hagler with CATCH grant to promote and expand adolescent substance abuse treatment/education
	Advocacy	Advocate for children in Maine around Developmental screening, QI, early hearing/CMV, Lyme, and others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Develop criteria to identify bills that are in alignment with chapter legislative priorities -Leverage relationship with MMA to identify upcoming legislation related to child health -Establish legislative contact network -Establish annual meeting with the governor -Establish meetings with state legislators
	Engagement	Increase number of chapter members engaged in chapter activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Select Committees of the Board – each board member selects one or more -Welcome new chapter members (ex: letter or call from the president) -Establish practice champion network -Partner with MMA on annual resident dinner -Identify opportunities for chapter members to engage in low, medium, and high time commitment projects

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Members	Subspecialists	Increase subspecialist involvement in the chapter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Conduct recruitment campaign -Invite to local conferences -Establish subspecialty section of the newsletter -Develop and post a list of subspecialist chapter members on website
	Networking	Facilitate networking opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Sponsor regional events -Host a "family friendly" event -Collaborate with nurses, osteopaths, family practice to sponsor learning events
	Career Development	Support ME pediatricians in career advancement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Add "career development" section of the website, provide links to resources on disability insurance, loan forgiveness, etc. -Offer skills training (leadership, media, twitter, etc.)
	Communication	Update and implement a chapter communication plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Add Twitter feed to website -Establish schedule and develop "a look" for chapter messages (action alert, promote events, subspecialty corner, request to donate, etc.) -Promote stories of chapter projects and acknowledge members' participation
Chapter Operations	Governance	Ensure health of chapter governance and infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Review scorecard on a regular basis -Revise bylaws within the next 3 years -Establish chapter subcommittees
	Finances	Maintain stewardship of chapter financial resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Review chapter revenue streams -Hire fundraising/branding consultant -Conduct fundraising campaign