Advocacy and Innovation: Welcome Dr. Anders Pring!

I am honored to begin my term as president of the Massachusetts Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (MCAAP). I became active in the Chapter in my roles as secretary, treasurer, and legislative committee co-chair. I learned a great deal from our esteemed past Chapter and AAP presidents, as well as from other leaders who have served before me. Dr. Mary Beth Miotto officially passed the baton to me, and I have marveled at her dedication and commitment to the growth of the Chapter. I plan to continue her legacy by sustaining many of her innovative ideas and initiatives. I would love to hear from members to gather ideas about how we can best work together to improve the lives of children and their families.

For the past 10 years, I have practiced as a primary care pediatrician at Atrius Health, where I was chief of pediatrics of the Copley site and co-founder and co-chair of advocacy on the Physician Advocacy Committee. In June, I transitioned to staff pediatrician at Atrius Health Resources for Pediatricians.

Happy Summer in Massachusetts!

Did you know that many of the resources and answers that you are looking for regarding pediatric, adolescent, and caregiver mental health and substance use disorders are easily available for free? No need to reinvent the wheel! I am a pediatrician and adolescent specialist in Boston. I have been in clinical practice for 24 years, and I joined Region One of the US Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) in May 2024 as a Regional Behavioral Health Advisor. Regional Behavioral Health Advisors serve as local consultants, liaisons, and resources to individuals, local, state, and tribal entities. Region One includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

Once I joined SAMHSA, I discovered all these remarkable resources that are available on demand or live, and I HAD NO IDEA existed. I would have loved to use them in clinical practice. Here are a few wonderful resources:

- **The National Maternal Mental Health Hotline** at 1-833-TLC-MAMA offers 24/7 support via call or text for those who are pregnant or recently had a baby.
- **SAMHSA’s National Helpline** at 1-800-662-HELP (4357) is a free, confidential, 24/7, 365-day-a-year treatment referral and information service (in English and Spanish) for individuals and families.

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EDITOR’S NOTE

Transitions

It’s the time of year when we think about transitions: graduations, weddings, kids off to college, saying goodbye to families moving away, or hello to families moving into town and becoming our new patients. For those of us who teach medical students and residents, they have their own transitions as they progress through their training.

In the MCAAP world, we have our officers transitioning off and new ones taking their place. We owe a debt of gratitude to those willing to serve as officers and on the Board and support our members with their expertise, talent, and enthusiasm. Special thanks to the remarkable Ed Brennan, Esq., who served MCAAP well as the chapter lobbyist for decades, and best wishes to him in his well-deserved retirement. Thank you!

I’m reminded how transitions in our own lives echo those of our patients. When my children were young, I was often in the same place as many of my families, with children graduating from milestone class years and moving on to next steps. My children are now grown and are happily settled with partners and careers; I’ve been very fortunate as a parent.

The transition into retirement is on my mind; two of my valued colleagues and friends are retiring this month. I’m happy for them and wish them the very best. The average age for primary care physicians to retire is 68. Surgeons often retire earlier, understandably, while some physicians keep on working in clinical or nonclinical positions beyond 70. While I am not quite ready to retire, I am stepping down from my public health responsibilities, which will change my work life significantly. I’m curious to see how I feel about my own retirement then.

I’ve always promised myself and my families that I would announce my retirement a year in advance. I want to have time to get used to the idea and plenty of time to help families make choices about their next pediatrician. Now that the time is approaching, in the next year or two, I find myself hesitating, just a little bit. It’s not that I don’t have other interests; I enjoy lots of activities and look forward to having more time to enjoy them. But being a pediatrician has been my professional identity for a long time. I have loved my work, and I imagine it will be hard to let go.

As pediatricians, we are incredibly fortunate to have professional careers that make a difference in people’s lives. Our work is intellectually challenging, emotionally rewarding, makes a good living, and, of course, is often very fun! I know there are many things I’ll miss, most of all my patients and their families, when the time is right.

I was wondering if any of you are interested in transitions. Please contact me if you have a transition of your own that you would like to write about and share with our members!

Oh, and one more transition is on my mind. In the fall, I’ll happily add one more title to those I already have: Mom, pediatrician, and soon-to-be Gramma Lisa. My son and his wife are excitedly welcoming their first child, a little boy, in September, and I am over the moon, as you can imagine!

Wishing you, your families, and your staff the joys of our wonderful New England summers!

— Lisa Dobberteen, MD, FAAP
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and started as a newborn hospitalist at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, where I will serve under the well-respected past MCAAP president, Dr. DeWayne Pursley!

During my residency, I was active in the AAP Colorado Chapter, and during that time, I provided testimony to the Colorado State Senate Health Committee on expanding Medicaid benefits to pregnant women. This sparked my interest in advocacy at the Chapter level, so when I moved to Massachusetts, I immediately became involved in the MCAAP legislative committee under the advice of Dr. Jim Perrin (past AAP President). Eventually, I became co-chair along with Dr. Karen McAlmon (also a great past president). I recently ended my term as a member of the AAP Committee on Federal and Governmental Affairs but am committed to remaining active in advocacy for children on both the state and federal levels.

Advocacy for children and families has always been my personal and professional mission. In college, I worked on the 1992 presidential campaign and Presidential Inaugural Committee, and after graduation, I was a scheduler to the cabinet secretary for the US Department of Education, and later worked in the White House as a press aide for the president, vice president, first lady, and wife of the vice president. Later, as a volunteer for the Clinton Foundation and Partners in Health, I traveled all over the US and the world, from rural settings to large cities and from Paris to Seoul to Banda Aceh, Indonesia, Lesotho, and Rwanda.

My experience working in the White House informs my advocacy and health policy work through leadership roles with the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Massachusetts Medical Society, and the MCAAP. When I’m not seeing patients or doing advocacy, I enjoy running, politics, all things Peloton, being a Francophile, and spending time with my husband and my soon-to-be seventh and ninth grade children.

Throughout my term as president, I would like to concentrate on membership and member value. I truly want to hear from you about how you want the Chapter to address issues facing children and families, as well as the profession of pediatrics in general. Feel free to email me your ideas and/or concerns at any time at btring@mcaap.org. I’m excited to serve with you and for you!

— Brenda Anders Pring, MD, FAAP

We Invite You to Use the FAMP-IT Clinician Support Tool!

Food Allergy Management and Prevention - Infants and Toddlers (FAMP-IT) is a new website that includes information on Early Food Introduction, Skincare, Management of IgE-Mediated Allergies, and Information on Non-IgE Mediated Allergies. Each section includes information on the most up-to-date guidelines as well as resources for clinicians to provide to patients.

FAMP-IT is a tool designed to help guide pediatricians and other primary care providers in the prevention and management of food allergy in infants and toddlers. This tool has four main resources:

1. Information consistent with the most up-to-date guidelines and literature
2. EMR templates for documentation of allergy-related issues
3. Patient education resources for clinicians to distribute to families
4. Opportunity to earn Continuing Medical Education (CME) credits for participation in our quality improvement project.

Each section also has resources for use in the electronic medical record, both for provider documentation and decision making, as well as family education material. You can copy and paste any of the relevant sections into your own EMR system to use during patient visits. These can be found under the icons at the top of every section. We hope this tool may be helpful to you!

We Also Invite You to Participate in Our Quality Improvement Project Focusing on the Prevention of Food Allergies in Infants and Toddlers.

Providers participating in this quality improvement project will use the FAMP-IT clinician support tool to manage infants at well-child visits and subsequently modify clinical practice to provide appropriate recommendations on early peanut introduction.

— Michael Pistiner, MD, MMSc

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facing mental and/or substance use disorders. FindTreatment.gov offers additional resources.

- **SAMHSA Practitioner Training**, available at Practitioner Training | SAMHSA, offers tools, training, and technical assistance for mental health and substance use disorders.

- **Technical Training Assistance Centers** offer live and recorded webinars, workshops, and roundtable discussions on a large variety of topics. Particularly helpful are:
  - **Mental Health Technology Transfer Center (MHTTC)**
    The MHTTCs work with organizations and treatment practitioners involved in the delivery of mental health services to strengthen their capacity to deliver effective evidence-based practices to individuals, including the full continuum of services spanning mental illness prevention, treatment, and recovery support. Topics include youth substance use prevention, treatment and recovery, anxiety, depression, ADHD, and more.
  - **Prevention Technology Transfer Center (PTTC)**
    The PTTCs develop and disseminate tools and strategies needed to improve the quality of substance abuse prevention efforts; provide intensive technical assistance and learning resources in order to improve understanding of prevention science, how to use data to guide prevention planning, and the selection and implementation of evidence-based and promising prevention practices.
  - **The Centers of Excellence** are partnerships between SAMHSA and subject matter experts for specific health concerns or communities. The following are particularly helpful:
    - **The National Center of Excellence for Eating Disorders (NCEED)** offers on-demand webinars, best practices, clinical reports from major organizations, and a toolkit, that includes: infographics, checklists, videos, web-based training in enhanced CBT (CBT-E) for eating disorders, and family, friends, and individual resources.
    - **The Center of Excellence on Social Media and Youth Mental Health** is a collaborative with the AAP and serves as a centralized, trusted source for evidence-based education and technical assistance to support the mental health of children and adolescents as they navigate social media. It offers the five Cs of media use: a Q&A portal, a youth advisory panel, a family media plan, a family tip sheet, and multimedia resources.

Finally, I am a resource to you and your practice. Please reach out, and I will do my best to support you, network you with others, or provide resources, etc. I look forward to working with you.

— Laura K. Grubb, MD, MPH

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The First Annual
MCAAP President’s Dinner

Poster presentations and awards reception was held on May 22nd at the Massachusetts Medical Society.

MCAAP colleagues gathered to commemorate past child health accomplishments. Activities included:

• President’s Circle with mentorship opportunities
• First Annual Pediatric Trainee Poster Competition Winners
• MCAAP Awards featuring a tribute to Edward Brennan, MCAAP lobbyist and legal counsel, who is retiring at the end of this year’s state legislative session

Ed Brennan has been our esteemed lobbyist, legal counsel, and friend for four decades. He has expertly guided us through the legislative process so that we can successfully advocate for children and families.

He is widely respected as a distinguished lobbyist at the State House and beyond. We have greatly benefited from his compassion and wisdom. We wholeheartedly thank him for his dedication to our chapter and to children in general.

We wish Ed all great things in his well-deserved retirement.

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August Is National Immunization Awareness Month
#ivax2protect

National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM) is an annual event held each August. NIAM provides the opportunity to promote the importance and value of immunization across the lifespan.

The disruption in well-child visits and routine immunization during the COVID-19 pandemic has continued to affect routine immunizations for children and adolescents. While routine vaccination coverage has rebounded, it has not yet recovered among all groups. Our community plays an essential role by ensuring that children are up-to-date on all recommended vaccines. You can help by identifying families whose children have missed recommended vaccines and contacting them to schedule vaccine appointments.

The NIAM toolkit contains helpful resources that can be utilized by providers throughout August, including key messages, vaccine information, sample news releases and articles, social media messages, web links from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other organizations, web banners, logos, and social media graphics.

Be on the lookout for #ivax2protect updates throughout August! If you have questions or are looking for specific resources for your practice, please contact Cynthia McReynolds (cmcreynolds@mcaap.org).

Thank you for all that you are doing to keep Massachusetts’ children safe from vaccine preventable diseases!

— MCAAP Immunization Initiative

2024–2025 Respiratory Season Updates

Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices’ Recommendations

In June, the CDC approved the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices’ (ACIP) recommendation for updated 2024–2025 COVID-19 vaccines and updated 2024–2025 influenza vaccines. The updated recommendations will be published in Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR). It is anticipated that the updated recommendations will be published in August 2024.

For more information on updated COVID-19 vaccines visit: Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) | CDC. For more information on updated flu vaccines visit: Seasonal Flu Vaccines | CDC.

2024–2025 Influenza Vaccine Strains

In March, the Food and Drug Administration’s (FDA) Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC) recommended that all 2024–2025 US influenza vaccines be three-component (trivalent) vaccines and include an influenza A(H1N1), an A(H3N2), and a B/Victoria-lineage vaccine virus. Because influenza B/Yamagata viruses, which are included in current four-component (quadrivalent) flu vaccines, are no longer actively circulating, the committee recommended that their inclusion in flu vaccines is no longer warranted.

All US influenza vaccines for the 2024–2025 season will be trivalent. Influenza vaccines for
2024–2025 influenza season will contain the following:

Egg-based vaccines:
- an A/Victoria/4897/2022 (H1N1)pdm09-like virus,
- an A/Thailand/8/2022 (H3N2)-like virus, and (Updated)
- a B/Austria/1359417/2021 (B/Victoria lineage)-like virus.

Cell- or recombinant-based vaccines:
- an A/Wisconsin/67/2022 (H1N1)pdm09-like virus,
- an A/Massachusetts/18/2022 (H3N2)-like virus, and (Updated)
- a B/Austria/1359417/2021 (B/Victoria lineage)-like virus.

2024–2025 Flu Season State-Supplied Pediatric Flu Vaccine

Respiratory Syncytial Virus Update
The 2023–2024 respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) season was officially closed on March 31, 2024. At that time, clinical guidance recommended halting nirsevimab administration until September 2024.

Nirsevimab ordering is currently turned off in the Massachusetts Immunization Information System (MIIS). There is no preordering process for state-supplied nirsevimab doses for the 2024–2025 season. Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) updates for 2024–2025 nirsevimab ordering will be sent as the next respiratory season approaches.

— MCAAP Immunization Initiative

Save the Date!
29th Annual MIAP Pediatric Immunization Skills Building Conference

The 29th Annual Massachusetts Immunization Action Partnership (MIAP) Pediatric Immunization Skills Building Conference will be held on Wednesday, October 30, 2024, at the DCU Center, Worcester, MA. Please note that this year’s conference will be in person only.

The full-day pediatric conference will provide timely information on the field of pediatric immunization, with an emphasis on current immunization recommendations, general immunization updates, and strategies for improving vaccination uptake. The conference is appropriate for physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, medical assistants, community outreach and public health workers, immunization coalition members, and office staff who work in pediatric health care settings, health care, and civic organizations.

Registration will open in August 2024. Updates will be posted as they become available here.

If you have any questions, please contact Cynthia McReynolds at cmcreynolds@mcaap.org. — MCAAP Immunization Initiative

Massachusetts Vaccine Confidence Project Update

The Massachusetts Vaccine Confidence Project (MVCP) is a collaboration of the Immunization Division, Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH); the Massachusetts Adult Immunization Coalition (MAIC), and the Massachusetts Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics (MCAAP).

The MVCP’s mission is to increase vaccine confidence throughout Massachusetts to ensure that all residents are fully protected against serious, vaccine-preventable disease. This is accomplished through the development of educational activities, science-based resources, and training materials for health care providers and the public, and collaboration with organizations that support immunization.

In 2024, the MVCP received additional funding to enhance its ongoing activities. Recent MVCP activities include:

- Vaccine confidence education for providers at Massachusetts annual adult and pediatric immunization conferences, and through partner webinars.
- Exhibits at health care professional conferences, such as the Massachusetts School Nurses Organization, the Massachusetts Association of Public Health Nurses, and the Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers.
- Public outreach through exhibits and Take the Shot Night events with Team Maureen.
- Collaboration with public health partners who are interested in improving vaccine confidence in their communities, such as MDPH’s Comprehensive Cancer Control Program and Office of Oral Health.
- Communication of project activities and resources through the MVCP newsletter and MVCP partner newsletters and...
websites. Click here to sign up to receive the MVCP newsletter.

- Enhancement of the project’s website, including its resource library.

Are you looking for specific resources that would promote vaccine confidence in your practice, or would you like more information about how you can become involved in the project? If yes, please contact Cynthia McReynolds, MCAAP Immunization Initiative Program Manager and MVCP Co-facilitator at cmcreynolds@mcaap.org.

— MCAAP Immunization Initiative

### Upcoming Conferences and Meetings

#### National Immunization Awareness Month (#ivax2protect)
August 2024
For more information, visit cdc.gov/vaccines/events/niam/index.html

#### National Health Center Week
August 4–10, 2024
For more information, visit healthcenterweek.org

#### Massachusetts Vaccine Purchase Advisory Council Meeting
Thursday, October 10, 2024
For more information, visit mass.gov/service-details/massachusetts-vaccine-purchasing-advisory-council-mvpac

#### Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) Meeting
October 23–24, 2024
For more information, visit cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/meetings/index.html

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### The Technical Assistance Collaborative Landscape Analysis of MassHealth Children’s Behavioral Health Initiative (CBHI)

The Technical Assistance Collaborative is conducting a landscape analysis of the services under the MassHealth Children’s Behavioral Health Initiative (CBHI). Pediatricians are a critical partner in the provision of good care. We want to hear from you about the parts of the system that are working well and areas for improvement. Please take a moment to complete the 12-question survey (and feel free to circulate it in your office).

[ surveymonkey.com/r/MAkids ]

Questions or additional comments can be directed to Amanda Tobey at atobey@tacinc.org. Thank you!

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- AAP DISASTER PREPAREDNESS CONTACTS
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- AAP EARLY CHILDHOOD CHAMPION
  - Katherine Wu, MD

- CATCH CO-COORDINATORS
  - Esther Kisseh, MD
  - Frinny Polcano, MD

- MMS DELEGATE/HOUSE OF DELEGATES
  - Elisabeth Di Pietro, MD

- PROS NETWORK COORDINATORS
  - David Norton, MD
  - Ben Scheindlin, MD

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- CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS COMMITTEE
  - Jack Maypole, MD

- CHILDREN’S MENTAL HEALTH TASK FORCE
  - Michael Tang, MD
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- FOSTER CARE COMMITTEE
  - Linda Sager, MD

- IMMIGRANT HEALTH COMMITTEE
  - Julia Koehler, MD

- IMMUINIZATION INITIATIVE
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  - David Norton, MD

- LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
  - Eli Freiman, MD

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- MEDICAID ACO TASK FORCE
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  - Greg Hagan, MD

- MEDICAL STUDENT COMMITTEE
  - Logan Beyer

- PEDIATRIC COUNCIL
  - Peter Rappo, MD

- COMMITTEE ON CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
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  - SCHOOL HEALTH
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Books can be a powerful way to learn about feelings. *The Berenstain Bears and the Green-Eyed Monster* was how I learned about jealousy as a child. Pain is another aspect of life children learn about in varied ways: through experience with siblings or peers, on media, and by reading books. Messages about pain, as with any other topic, can vary, sometimes drastically. For example, a study by Mueri et al. analyzed a cross-section of children's media, including ten popular movies and six TV shows, and examined portrayals of pain. They found that violent, intentionally-inflicted pain was overrepresented relative to unintentional everyday pain, and the pain was portrayed in a way that lacked empathy. Many traditional cartoon characters (think Huckleberry Hound and the Roadrunner) delighted in inflicting pain on their cartoon peers.

A qualitative study published this year by Wallwork et al. from South Australia attempted to examine how depictions of pain in picture books impacted discussions between parents and children. Twenty families with children ages three to six were observed reading one of eight books with varying depictions of pain; the families were not given any explicit prompts to discuss pain. The study authors used video and audio data to identify overarching themes in the families' discussion of pain.

Of these eight books, seven were fiction, and one was nonfiction. The nonfiction book was not chosen by any of the families — this book gave the most explicit message about pain. Among the remaining books, a major theme that was observed in all families is that a child's understanding of pain is highly socialized and culturally influenced. Picture books provided an opportunity to explore this through a character's experience. Many of these opportunities did not come from the text itself, but rather from the discussion between parents and children about the book itself. Parents often prompted their children to think about how a character felt when something painful happened to them, and pictures helped parents draw connections between the character's actions and a painful result.

The results of this study are not particularly surprising, but they support a theme that permeates much of childhood literacy: quality reading time, with discussion between children and caregivers about themes illustrated in what they've read together, provides a powerful opportunity to learn about the world. It is also worth asking why one medium seems to fare better than another with respect to learning about pain or other topics. Two explanations come to mind: the first is that pain in televised media is often portrayed in the form of slapstick comedy. This is often played for laughs, and while this can be entertaining, one would be hard-pressed to call it educational. The second explanation relates to pacing and intentionality — reading books together allows for pauses, questions, and reflections that faster-paced electronic media doesn't allow. In this age of increasing device use, the ability to pause and reflect is valuable and useful.

All of this can be kept in mind by the pediatrician as they counsel families on early childhood literacy. Books can be a wonderful source of information and important messages, even if the messages are incidental to the main story or are simply conveyed by an action or expression of a character. Simply put, it doesn't need to be a pain to learn about pain.

— Rajapillai Pillai, MD, PhD Fellow, Neurodevelopmental Disabilities, Boston Children's Hospital

Dr. Pillai can be reached at RajapillaiPillai@childrens.harvard.edu for more information.

**References**


**Pediatrician**

Garden City Pediatrics Associates is seeking a BC/BE Pediatrician to join our practice in Beverly, MA, just 20 miles north of Boston and with easy access to both beaches and mountains. We are a group of eight pediatricians (six full-time and two part-time) who, along with our four advanced practice providers and exceptional nursing staff, are dedicated to providing high quality, evidence-based care to children in our community 365 days a year. This 0.75 FTE position would entail three office days/week and a share of holiday/weekend coverage, which includes newborn nursery rounds at Beverly Hospital and sick visits at our office on the Beverly Hospital campus. Our proximity to the hospital allows for close collaboration with our Boston Children’s and BIDMC colleagues, who provide neonatal, emergency, and inpatient care on site. Generous compensation is based on revenue. Please contact Steve Brickman, Practice Manager at ofcmgr@gardencitypediatrics.com for more information.

**Outpatient Pediatrician**

Beth Israel Lahey Health Primary Care practice is affiliated with Mount Auburn Hospital. The office has two busy physicians, with room for a third physician to grow a panel. Call is shared with our colleagues at the Mount Auburn Pediatrics Cambridge location and is rotated among the physicians in both groups (approximately one in seven). We utilize a nurse triage service for nights, weekends, and holidays. To apply and learn more about this opportunity, please reach out to Janet DaCosta at janet.dacosta@mah.org.

**Academic Pediatric Orthopedic Surgeon**

The UMass Memorial Children’s Medical Center at the Worcester, MA, location is seeking a BE/BC Pediatric Orthopedic Surgeon. UMass Memorial is the clinical partner of the University of Massachusetts Medical School. Candidates with research interests will also be strongly considered. An academic appointment is commensurate with experience and training. Should you have any questions regarding the position or any complications submitting an application with us, please reach out to Carmen Sanderson, In-House Physician Recruiter, at Carmen.Sanderson@umassmemorial.org. Apply here: click2apply.net/lIV14zcXZ6jQXiVkRfjXxOPI242402337

**Looking to Hire or Be Hired?**

Job listings are a free service provided by The Forum to MCAAP members and residents completing their training. Nonmembers may submit ads for a fee.*

To submit a listing, email chaggerty@mcaap.org. Please include the following information:

- Contact information
- Practice name/residency program
- Position title
- Description (25-word limit)
- Availability (e.g., available now)

*Contact Cathleen Haggerty at chaggerty@mcaap.org for rate and payment information.

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