#### 2018 ANNUAL MEETING

# SPEAKERS BIOGRAPHY



# JUDY SHAW, EdD, MPH, RN, FAAP | Director, NIPN/VCHIP

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Dr. Shaw has been Executive Director of the Vermont Child Health Improvement Program (VCHIP) since its inception in 1999 and is the Director of the National Improvement Partnership Network. In addition, she is principal investigator for several federally funded projects designed to improve delivery of health care to children, and holds the position Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Vermont Larner College of Medicine and holds a secondary appointment in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Dr. Shaw earned her nursing degree from the Children's Hospital School of Nursing in Boston, a bachelor's degree from Yale University, MPH from Boston University, and EdD from the University of Vermont. Nationally, Dr. Shaw is co-editor of the 2017 AAP publication of *Bright Futures: Guidelines for Health Supervision of Infants, Children, and Adolescents,* 4<sup>th</sup> Ed. In 2007 she received the Director's Award from the Health Resources Services Administration's (HRSA) Maternal Child Health Bureau (MCHB) and the Academic Pediatric Association Health Care Delivery Award in 2015. She was a DHHS Secretary's Primary Care Health Policy Fellow in 2002, and is the Secretary for the Academic Pediatric Association from 2015-2021.

### WENDY DAVIS, MD, FAAP | Associate Director, NIPN

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Dr. Wendy Davis practiced general pediatrics and served as Division Director at the Larner College of Medicine at the University of Vermont from 1987-2008. As a founding member of the Vermont Child Health Improvement Program (VCHIP), a population-based maternal and child health services research and quality improvement program, she participated in and served as faculty for numerous MCH quality improvement projects. While serving in state and district leadership roles for the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), she facilitated a successful partnership among the Vermont AAP chapter, VCHIP, the Vermont Department of Health (VDH), and other child-serving community agencies. In 2007, Dr. Davis became Director of Maternal and Child Health at VDH and served as Vermont's Commissioner of Health from 2008-2011. Her subsequent role as EPSDT Program Chief (2011 – 2013) involved coordination among pediatricians and staff from a variety of public health programs. She returned to VCHIP in 2013 where she is a Professor of Pediatrics and serves as the Associate Director for the National Improvement Partnership Network. She is also currently a District I Chairperson for the AAP.

#### CASON BENTON, MD Director, ACHIA

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Dr. Cason Benton recently was selected by the American Board of Pediatrics to receive the 2018 Paul V. Miles (PVM) Fellowship Award. Dr. Benton is an Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) and founding Director of the Alabama Child Health Improvement Alliance (ACHIA). Dr. Benton also serves on the Board of the Alabama Chapter of the AAP and serves as the Network Medical Director for Alabama Care Plan, an Alabama Medical Region B Health Home. Previously, she has been honored with Ralph E. Tiller Distinguished Faculty Award, Argus Society Awards for Excellence in Pediatric Training, and other awards. She attended medical school at the University of Alabama School of Medicine and completed residency at the University of Washington in Seattle in 1997. She became certified in General Pediatrics by the ABP in 1997 and continues to meet the requirements for Maintenance of Certification.

# CATHY CALDWELL | Director, Bureau of Children's Health Insurance, Alabama

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Ms. Cathy Caldwell received a Masters of Public Health, Maternal and Child Health from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 2000 and a BS in Psychology from Auburn University at Montgomery in 1998. Ms. Caldwell is currently the Director of the Bureau of Children's Health Insurance (Alabama's CHIP) with the Alabama Department of Public Health. She has over eighteen years of state government service with the Bureau of Children's Health Insurance, directing the separate CHIP program known as ALL Kids, providing healthcare coverage to over 80,000 children. She is a current a member of the National Academy for State Health Policy and has served or is currently serving on numerous national committees related to children's health insurance coverage as well as healthcare reform implementation, including the Agency for Health Research and Quality National Advisory Committee Subcommittee on Children's Healthcare Quality Measures, the National Collaborative for Innovation in Quality Measurement Advisory Panel (NCINQ MAP) the Medicaid and CHIP Data Analytics Learning Collaborative and the Maternal and Child Health Workforce Development Center Advisory Committee.

#### MITCH COHEN, MD, FAAP | Chair of Pediatrics, University of Alabama at Birmingham

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Dr. Cohen serves as Chair of Pediatrics at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) and Physician-in-Chief of Children's of Alabama (effective 9/1/14). He attended Mount Sinai School of Medicine and completed his pediatric training at Johns Hopkins Hospital. He served in the Public Health Service on the Hopi Reservation before completing a fellowship in pediatric gastroenterology and nutrition at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.

As an investigator, he identified mechanisms for the increased susceptibility of infants to toxigenic E. coli diarrhea. His identification of the increased density of the guanylin/ uroguanylin receptor in infants led to the identification of loss/gain of function mutations as the cause of congenital diarrhea and intestinal obstruction respectively. His studies have provided a scientific basis for the development of pharmacologic agonists of the guanylin/ uroguanylin receptor, e.g., linaclotide, to treat severe constipation and constipation predominant irritable bowel syndrome.

Dr. Cohen has served in a number of leadership roles, including president of the North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition (NASPGHAN); the only pediatrician on the NIH Commission on Digestive Diseases; founding director of the Digestive Health Center, the only NIDDK-supported Research Core Center focused on pediatric digestive diseases; director of a T32 training grant in pediatric gastroenterology; and Fellowship director, Division Director and Vice Chair of Pediatrics at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.

More than ever, in his new position at UAB/Children's of Alabama, Dr. Cohen is dedicating his efforts to advancing academic pediatrics, supporting training and other efforts for pediatric physician scientists to discover new knowledge, improving population health and outcomes for chronic conditions in children, and addressing health care disparities.

# SUSAN COLBURN | State Parent Consultant, Children's Rehabilitation Service

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Susan Colburn has been an advocate for children with special health care needs for over 25 years. She is presently employed by Children's Rehabilitation Service, Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services, (Alabama's Title V Program for CSHCN) as the State Parent Consultant., a position she has held since 1996. Prior to that Ms. Colburn worked in Alabama's Early Intervention System as a District Service Coordinator and a Service Coordinator for a local Early Intervention Service program. She was an appointed member of the Governor's Interagency Coordinating Council for Early Intervention Services from 1987-1996, and a member of the Alabama Special Education Advisory Panel from 1989-1991. She is the Co-Director of Family Voices of AL, (home of Alabama's Family to Family Health Information Center) and served as the co-Regional Coordinator for the 8 state Southeast Region for two terms. In 1987, Ms. Colburn was also a co-founder of Friends for Life, a support group for families and friends of children with special needs.

She serves on a variety of statewide boards, councils and committees, and is a member of the national Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs, including currently serving as a member of the AMCHP Board of Directors. She has a B.S. degree from Auburn University.

Ms. Colburn is the mother of three, two of whom were born with special health care needs.

# DAVID A. GREMSE, MD, FAAP | Professor and Chair, Dept. of Pediatrics at the University of South Alabama College of Medicine (USACOM)

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Dr. Gremse is Professor and Chair, Department of Pediatrics at the University of South Alabama College of Medicine (USACOM) in Mobile. After completing his undergraduate medical education and pediatric residency training at USA, he underwent a fellowship in pediatric gastroenterology and nutrition at Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinnati, before returning to USACOM. While at USA, Dr. Gremse served as Director of the Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition. Concurrently at South Alabama, he also served as an Associate Professor in Pharmacology, Professor of Physician Assistant Studies, and Professor and Interim Chair of the Department of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine. He was also Chief of Gastroenterology at USA Children's and Women's Hospital.

In 2004, Dr. Gremse left Alabama to take the position of Professor and Chair of the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Nevada School of Medicine until 2012, when he returned to the University of South Alabama and became the first USA College of Medicine alumnus to chair an academic department in Mobile.

With more than 21 years of experience in clinical pediatric gastroenterology, Dr. Gremse is board-certified in pediatrics and pediatric gastroenterology. Additionally, he is a member of the American Board of Pediatrics, and a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and the American College of Gastroenterology. Currently, he serves on the Alabama Chapter-AAP Executive Board as CME Chair. He has also served as President of the Nevada Chapter of the AAP.

Dr. Gremse is an active basic science and clinical researcher. He has participated in numerous clinical-based studies to evaluate the efficacy and safety of a variety of pharmacologic treatments for all aspects of pediatric gastroenterologic disease. Additionally, his research on gastroesophageal reflux disease, irritable bowel syndrome, and hepatic function and toxicity has been extensively published in the peer-reviewed literature.

The author of more than 130 manuscripts, review articles, abstracts and letters, Dr. Gremse has also been the primary author of three book chapters pertaining to pediatrics, pediatric gastroenterology, and liver and biliary tract disease. He has been a manuscript reviewer for numerous journals, including the *Journal of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition*, the *Journal of Pediatrics, Pediatrics, Clinical Pediatrics, Pediatric Drugs, Clinical Pediatrics* and *Digestive Diseases and Sciences*, to mention a few. Currently, he is on the Editorial Board of *Pediatric Drugs*.

# CHRIS HAAG, MPH | Deputy Director, Bureau of Family Health Services - Alabama Dept. of Health

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Chris Haag is Deputy Director at the Bureau of Family Health Services, Alabama Department of Public Health. Chris serves as State Title V Director and provides strategic direction and helps with planning on a statewide scope. Chris manages the Title V Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant. Prior to becoming the Deputy Director, Chris served as the Director for the Division of Administration, where he directed and coordinated all administrative functions for Family Health Services (FHS). During 1989-1998, Chris was the School and Adolescent Health Director/Health Education Consultant for FHS. In this role, he was responsible for coordination, planning, budgeting, and development of all school health and adolescent health functions for the department. He worked with local schools and community groups.

# TAMARA JOHN-LI, MPH | Project Lead & QI Coach, Children's National Health Network (CNHN) & DC Partnership to Improve Children's Healthcare Quality (DC PICHQ)

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Tamara John Li is a Project Lead and QI Coach for Children's National Health Network (CNHN) & DC Partnership to Improve Children's Healthcare Quality (DC PICHQ). In this role, Ms. Li serves as the lead for community quality improvement maintenance of certification (MOC) activities within the Goldberg Center, Children's National Medical Center, and Children's National Health Network. Ms. Li manages individual and group based quality improvement projects offered by CNHN and works closely with relevant local, regional and national organizations such as the American Board of Pediatrics to promote and manage MOC Part 4 activities. Since 2011, Ms. Li has provided oversight for 19 MOC approved projects and has successfully guided more than 300 primary care providers and support staff through multi-practice quality improvement learning collaboratives on asthma, obesity, and mental health. Ms. Li graduated with a B.S. in Neuroscience and Behavioral Health in 2006 from Alleghany College and earned her Master in Public Health in 2010 from Tulane University with a focus on Global Maternal and Child Health.

#### LORI MOLER | Vice President, Customer Service for Children's of Alabama

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Lori Denice Moler is Vice President of Customer Service for Children's of Alabama. In this position, she directs the operations of Patient relations, Language Services, Pediatric Imaging, and the Regional Poison Control Center. She also coordinates the NRC Patient and Family Experience Survey process.

Lori earned her Bachelor of Science degree in marketing and statistics and a Master of Science in health administration from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. She was employed by Healthcare Services of America before joining Children's in 1987 as a Physician Relations Manager.

She is a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE) and past president of the local ACHE Chapter. She was a member of the 1998-1999 class of Project Corporate Leadership and the 2000-2001 class of Leadership Shelby County. Lori is also a 2017 graduate of MOMENTUM Leadership Program. She currently serves on the boards Vestavia Hills Sunrise Rotary Club, and Rotary International District 6860. She has held positions on the boards of the Ronald McDonald House, the Amelia Center, and Greater Hoover Chamber of Commerce. Lori is a supporter of the American Heart Association and is a member of the Heart Association's Circle of Red. Lori is an usher and teaches Sunday school at Asbury United Methodist Church.

A native of Birmingham, Lori enjoys traveling, homebuilding projects, outdoor activities, and reading.

### ROBERT MOON, MD | Chief Medical Officer & Deputy Commissioner of Health

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Dr. Moon is the Chief Medical Officer and Deputy Commissioner Health Systems for Alabama Medicaid. He led the work to develop the Patient Care Networks of Alabama (PCNA) which currently coordinate care under a health home model for approximately 170,000 clients. The PCNA work by the Medicaid Agency was recognized by a state university with a "2012 Innovative Alabama Government Award". During 2011-2012 he served as the Chairman of the Medicaid Medical Directors Learning Network (MMDLN). He has participated in studies by the MMDLN. One was a 16 state exploration of anti-psychotic use in young Medicaid populations and the other was a 16 state study examining readmissions data in state Medicaid programs. Currently, his work focuses on the development of Regional Care Organizations for Alabama Medicaid. Dr. Moon is a board certified family physician with approximately 20 years of practice experience and now over 8 years of experience working with a state Medicaid program.

# CHRIS PELLEGRINO, BSW, MS, ASQ CMQO/E | Quality Improvement Associate, VCHIP

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Chris Pellegrino, BSW, MS, ASQ CMQO/E is a Quality Improvement Associate at VCHIP. Chris received her BSW from the University of Vermont, and her MS from Springfield College in Springfield MA. She is certified by the American Society for Quality as a Certified Manager of Quality/Organizational Excellence. Chris has been at VCHIP since 2014. Prior to coming to VCHIP Chris worked at Vermont's academic medical center, the University of Vermont Medical Center, and has 10 years as a Quality Improvement Consultant in Pediatrics; Women's; Orthopedics; Case Management; and Mental Health. Prior positions included Project Director for the State of Vermont Assistive Technology Project, and Director of the Western MA Leukemia Society Branch Office. Her first job out of college was as a Home-Based Head Start Teacher, which helped her to gain insight early in her career into the importance and impact of policy and education on the health and well-being of vulnerable populations.

## COLLEEN REULAND, MS | Director, Oregon Pediatric Improvement Partnership (OPIP)

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Ms. Reuland is the Director of the Oregon Pediatric Improvement Partnership (OPIP), and an Instructor in the Pediatrics Department at Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU). OPIP supports a meaningful, long-term collaboration of stakeholders invested in child health care quality, with the common purpose of improving the health of the children and youth of Oregon. Ms. Reuland directs OPIP's projects focused on building health and improving outcomes for children and youth by: 1)Collaborating in quality measurement and improvement

activities across the state; 2) Supporting evidence-guided quality activities in clinical practices;3) Incorporating the patient and family voice into quality efforts; and 4) Informing policies that support optimal health and development.

Ms. Reuland significant experience with patient-centered quality measurement and improvement projects focused on screening, referral, and care coordination for children at-risk for developmental, behavioral, and social delays, care for children with special health care needs, adolescent preventive services, and medical home implementation. She has significant experience working with State Medicaid/CHIP programs, health systems, and front-line pediatric providers on quality measurement and improvement activities. She has specific expertise and commitment to ensuring these measurement and improvement efforts have a patient-centered focus and that methods are used to engage and partner with patients. Ms. Reuland is also the measure steward contact for the CHIPRA measure focused on developmental screening. Previous to her position at OPIP, Ms. Reuland was a Senior Research Associate with the Child and Adolescent Health Measurement Initiative (CAHMI) for fourteen years. While at the CAHMI, she was the lead research associate of activities focused on preventive and developmental services for young children and adolescents, quality measurement and improvement in state Medicaid programs, and provider-level measurement and reporting. She is married and the proud mother of three children.

### WES STUBBLEFIELD, MD, FAAP | Community Pediatrician & Partner, Infants' &

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Wes Stubblefield, MD, FAAP is a community pediatrician and partner at Infants' & Children's clinic in Florence. A native of Vernon, Ala., he attained his medical degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham and completed his pediatric residency at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital in 2007. Before moving to Florence in 2013, he practiced community pediatrics in Auburn, Ala. for six years. Dr. Stubblefield serves on the active staff of Eliza Coffee Medical Center where he chairs several committees and is a member of the Medical Association of the State of Alabama. He is also an active member and president of the Lauderdale County Medical Society.

Dr. Stubblefield is the current president (2017-2019) of the Alabama Chapter-American Academy of Pediatrics (AL-AAP), an 800-member statewide society of pediatricians. Dr. Stubblefield's leadership roles in the AL-AAP have included Area Representative to the Executive Board, Secretary/Treasurer, and Vice President. In addition, he has served as physician leader in the Chapter Quality Network Asthma Quality Improvement (QI) Project and the Blue Cross Blue Shield Medical Home Demonstration Pilot, which led to his being named the Alabama Chapter Champion on Medical Home/Asthma and the Chapter QI Chair. He was also the medical director for the Care Network of East Alabama, Inc., an Alabama Medicaid regional care coordination pilot network and a board member of the Alabama Community Care, one of Medicaid's former probationary Regional Care Networks. In addition, he has been a tireless advocate for children by writing op-ed pieces, testifying in person for the Senate Democratic Caucus, and conducting media interviews on child health coverage. Dr. Stubblefield also serves the national AAP as a representative on the Pedialink Editorial Board and the Committee on Continuing Medical Education.

At home, Dr. Stubblefield spends time with his family, wife Jennifer and 16-year-old daughter Peyton. Additionally, he is on track to graduate with his Master's in Public Health from UAB in December of 2018.

### KATRINA ROBERSON-TRAMMELL, MD, FAAP | Medical Director, Region E Gulf

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Pediatrics has been a joy of Dr. Katrina Trammell's for many years. Her devotion to becoming a pediatrician began at a young age, with a desire to be around children. As Dr. Trammell traveled through high school at Cooley High in Detroit Michigan, her parents encouraged her interest to become a pediatrician. After losing a great aunt, she also realized that health is one of the most important factors in determining the quality of a person's life.

After graduating from Ragland High School in Ragland, Alabama, Dr. Trammell was accepted into Talladega College in Talladega, Alabama, where she graduated with Biology Honors and pledged Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. With medical school training completed at the University of South Alabama, Dr. Trammell has faithfully contributed over 20 years of pediatric care for newborns through the age of 18 years, as well as, the supervision and teaching of medical, nurse practitioners and physician assistant students. Some of her interests include teen pregnancy prevention and parenting education, asthma education and participating in community health fairs and run/walk for a cause events.

Dr. Trammell is a member of numerous professional societies including Mobile Pediatric Society, Alabama Chapter of American Academy of Pediatrics, Mobile Metropolitan Medical Society and the Medical Association of the State of Alabama. Her community involvement includes serving on the Board of the Gulf Regional Early Childhood Services, an Alabama member of the Asthma Coalition and a contributor to the Edith Mitchell Health Initiative. Dr. Trammell's past community involvement includes serving on the Board for the Blessed Beginning Child Development Center. She is also an active member of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church located on Cody Road here in Mobile, Alabama. Dr. Trammell is currently employed with the University of South Alabama Midtown Pediatrics and also serves as Medical Director for Gulf Coast Total Care, a care coordination program.

Dr. Trammell is sincerely compassionate about pediatrics and in 2011 was the Honoree for one of the 'Most Influential African America Doctors within Mobile-Pensacola', presented by Black Health Magazine. Dr. Trammell is affectionately known by her patients as "Dr. T". She has been married to Clarence Trammell for 25 years and they have one son. Dr. Trammell lives by these personal goals/ slogans which are "Reach Back, Give Back, Act and Impact, Watch God Work and To God Be All the Glory"!!!!

#### MIKE WARREN | President and Chief Executive Officer, Children's of Alabama

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Mike Warren is President and Chief Executive Officer of Children's of Alabama. Children's is an independent, not-for-profit, free-standing pediatric healthcare center.

Prior to joining Children's in January, 2008, Warren was Chairman and CEO of Energen Corporation and its two primary subsidiaries, Alagasco and Energen Resources.

Mike Warren was born in Texas, the oldest of six sons, but his family moved to Alabama when he was in grade school. Mike is a product of the Auburn public schools and graduated with honor from Auburn University with a BA degree. He received his law degree from Duke University.

Warren practiced law with the Birmingham firm of Bradley, Arant, Rose & White for a dozen years before joining Alabama Gas in 1983. He became President of Alagasco in 1984 and was named President and CEO of Energen in February, 1997 and Chairman in January, 1998. Under Warren's leadership, Alagasco was named one of the one

hundred best companies to work for in America in the book by the same name and the Fortune Magazine annual listing for two years. In January, 2001, the Birmingham News named Warren its Alabama CEO of the year.

Mike Warren has been involved in many State and local efforts and served as chairman of the Business Council of Alabama, the United Way, Children's Hospital, Leadership Birmingham and Leadership Alabama. He also has been chairman of the Board of Metropolitan Development Board, the Alabama Symphony and the area American Heart Association. He has chaired the general campaign for the United Way twice and the United Negro College Fund.

Mike Warren married his high school sweetheart. He and Anne have three married children and 10 grandchildren.

# MARK WEISSMAN, MD | Chief of General Pediatrics & Community Health, Children's National Medical Center

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Dr. Mark Weissman is Chief of General Pediatrics & Community Health at Children's National Medical Center in Washington, DC. He directs primary care services as Vice President of its Goldberg Center for Community Pediatric Health. Through hospital-based and community health centers and its mobile health program, Children's National is the largest primary care provider for underserved children in the District of Columbia. A practicing primary care pediatrician for over 35 years, Dr. Weissman has been recognized for clinical excellence by Washingtonian magazine, Washington Consumer Checkbook & local medical societies. He is an Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the George Washington University. Dr. Weissman also serves as Vice President & Executive Director for Children's National Health Network (CNHN) - linking almost 1400 affiliated community-based pediatricians in Maryland, DC, and Virginia. He is a nationally-recognized expert in coding & reimbursement and clinical quality improvement. Dr. Weissman established the DC Partnership to Improve Children's Healthcare Quality (DC PICHQ) - which leads collaborative clinical quality improvement initiatives in the District of Columbia region.

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J. Wiley, MD, FAAP, is chief medical officer of Focus, MD, a network of practices devoted to the diagnosis and multimodal treatment of attention and learning problems. He is also a past president of the Alabama Chapter-AAP (AL-AAP) and past District X Vice Chair of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Dr. Wiley graduated from the University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn. and the University of Alabama School of Medicine. He completed his pediatric residency at UAB and Children's of Alabama. He practiced general pediatrics for 18 years and has been named in Best Doctors and America's Top Pediatricians and Master Pediatrician in 2006. In addition to serving as president from 2009 to 2011, Dr. Wiley has held numerous roles within the leadership of the AL-AAP, including Vice President, Area Representative on the Executive Board, CME Chair, Schooled in Asthma task force member, QI Chair and Physician Project Leader of Alabama's Chapter Quality Network Asthma Quality Improvement Project, in which he successfully led 12 practices in the state's first pediatric quality improvement collaborative. In addition to ADHD, his clinical interests include asthma and childhood obesity. He is married and has three children.