EAP “warmly welcomes” inclusion of training for health professionals in EC vaccination proposal

The European Academy of Paediatrics (EAP), warmly welcomes today’s announcement of a vaccination proposal by the European Commission (EC) which will include training on vaccine confidence for health professionals.

Acknowledging the proposal presented today by the Health Commissioner Vytenis Andriukaitis, EAP President Prof. Tom Stiris stated:

“We are delighted by the EC vaccination proposal announced today, particularly regarding the inclusion of training for health professionals on vaccine confidence among its key actions. No child should ever die from vaccine-preventable diseases. It is crucial that health professionals have the best tools and information at their disposal to increase vaccine confidence and child immunisation rates.”

Notes to Editors

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