



European Academy of Paediatrics
Paediatric Section of U.E.M.S (European Union of Medical Specialists)



THE EUROPEAN ACADEMY OF PAEDIATRICS

EAP Activity and its relation to UEMS

The European Academy of Paediatrics (EAP, formerly Confederation of European Specialists in Paediatrics, CESP) was founded in 1961. www.eapaediatrics.eu

Its members include national paediatric societies from over 40 countries across Europe (28 European Union (EU) countries, 4 European Economic Area (EEA) countries and 9 non-EU countries) as well as all 14 UEMS recognised European paediatric subspecialty societies and observer Countries.

It is composed of two parts – the European Board of Paediatrics and General Assembly are both part of the Union Européenne des Médecins Spécialistes (UEMS) (and bound by their statutes, see UEMS Structure in the other file or www.uems.eu) but the rest of the society is a collective of paediatricians from across many specialties (including primary care). We have two major meetings a year, a winter meeting in Brussels and a spring meeting that moves between different venues .

In addition to our role as the Paediatric Section of UEMS, EAP also promotes the health and well-being of children and those working with children. Through its activities, EAP aims to improve standards in paediatric training, service, and research.

It also develops best practice models and skills for all child health professionals, to create better integrated care in hospital and community settings.

The EAP operates at the European Union level to defend and promote the interests of Medical Specialists from Primary Care in the Community to Tertiary Subspecialty care in Academic Centres.

The EAP also has Individual members from many European and non European countries

See <http://eapaediatrics.eu/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/Structure-and-vision-of-EAP-WEBSITE.pdf>

The EBP - European Board of Paediatrics, which operates within EAP, ensures the highest level of training, practice and research in paediatrics and promotes the harmonisation of paediatric training programs across Europe.

The European Board of Paediatrics is formally part of the UEMS. It sits within the European Academy of Paediatrics, but has to follow the Statutes and rules of the UEMS, and this is important especially in terms of voting and decisions made by the Board. These must be ratified by the General Assembly (see below). The Officers of the EBP include the President and Vice-President of EAP, the Secretary-General, the Treasurer and the Chair of EBP. This group is sometimes referred to within EAP as the Core Executive Committee.

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EAP - FOUR STRANDS OF ACTION:

1. Promote health for all children and young people in Europe, advocate and lobby for children and families rights in Europe, alleviate suffering from diseases in infancy, childhood and adolescence up to the completion of growth and development both within and outside of Europe.

2. Improve paediatric care in the EU both in the community and at the hospital by harmonizing, coordinating and setting standards for paediatric education and training, paediatric care and paediatric research throughout Europe.

EAP focuses on education and training with assessment, continual medical education and professional development comprising all the medical expertise and fields in Paediatrics

3. Represent the interests of paediatricians in the EU by engaging in appropriate actions to defend the professional status and the moral and material interests of paediatricians in Europe and safeguard at international level the title “paediatrician” and to support the free professional movement of paediatricians through Europe.

4. Advocate a training programme for all doctors providing first-line care. The European Academy of Paediatrics strongly advocates a structured and accountable paediatric training programme for all doctors providing first-line care to children in the community and at the hospital and, when possible, recommends that paediatricians should be providers of paediatric primary care.

The European Board of Paediatrics is also involved in Accreditation of Training Centers of Excellence developing on-going negotiations with other organizations regarding a possible development of an European Diploma.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE <http://eapaediatrics.eu/about-eap/>

The EAP/UEMS SP core Executive Committee consists of:

President, Vice President, Secretary General, Treasurer, Chair of the European Board of Paediatrics

The Enlarged Executive Committee consists of the core Executive Committee with the addition of the Chair of the Primary Care Council, the Chair of the Secondary Care Council, the Chair of the Tertiary Care Council and a representative of the European Junior Doctors.

EAP is the only European Paediatric Society where all the types of Paediatricians are represented with voting rights in the Executive Committee.

FINANCES <http://eapaediatrics.eu/eap-uems-finances/>

Forty-One European Countries (**100% of member Countries**) paid the membership fees in 2018

Affiliated Societies and UEMS Subspecialty Societies do not pay annual compulsory fees

PERMANENT COUNCILS AND RESEARCH WORKING GROUPS: <http://eapaediatrics.eu>



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Three permanent councils are dedicated to Primary, Secondary and Tertiary Care to provide a professional, scientific and educational forum to members with a similar interest in specific areas within the broad field of paediatrics.

Individual Members have voting rights in the Permanent Council in which they are registered. SubSpecialty Societies and Affiliated Societies Delegates are members and have voting rights in the Tertiary Care Council.

Six Groups work on:

- **Ethics** established in 1997 with over 30 papers published on ethical issues,
- **Rare diseases** - already involved in the EU Commission Expert Group on Rare Disease,
- **Vaccination** strongly supporting harmonization among programmes in the EU countries, with contacts with ECDC, EU Commission, DG Santé and other stakeholders
- **Adolescent medicine and Medicines for children** producing evidence-based documents and up to date information on relevant aspects of paediatrics
- **Medicines for Children**, established several years ago by José Ramet , has restarted its activities in 2018
- **Choosing Wisely** was established in 2018.

EAPRASnet – EAP Research in Ambulatory Settings Network

<http://eapaediatrics.eu/eaprasnet/>

The European Academy of Paediatrics coordinates the only research network based in primary care

With over 2000 members and several papers published, EAPRASnet (European Academy of Paediatrics Research in Ambulatory Settings network) is a practice-based research network established in 2009.

It consists of paediatric practitioners from practices in European and Mediterranean countries and research consultants from Europe, working in collaboration with the EAP and AAP PROS.

The mission of EAPRASnet is to improve the health of European children and enhance the quality of primary care paediatrics by conducting collaborative practice-based research.

The objective is the establishment of a process to study the care provided to children in community-based general paediatric primary care settings and the effectiveness of that care; provision of investigative experience to a large group of practitioners on the study of care and treatment issues in practice; dissemination of study results to paediatricians and other primary care practitioners, public health groups and groups formulating guidelines, standards and recommendations so that they might act on this new information.

Young EAP <http://eapaediatrics.eu/young-eap/>

The Young EAP is by far the largest European network of national junior paediatric representatives: twenty-four countries are currently represented within Young EAP.



This network was established officially by the General Assembly of EAP during at the 2017 Winter Meeting. Young EAP exists to support the work of EAP in the areas of education, innovation and advocacy.

Several national representatives are also involved in national junior paediatric societies and sections; as such, they bridge the gap between paediatric trainees in their country and Young EAP, and provide valuable input to challenges that need to be more widely discussed.

The EAP established Young EAP to provide paediatric trainees with opportunities and resources on education, innovation, advocacy, and networking. The EAP believes it is beneficial for paediatric trainees to have a forum where they can meet with each other as well as with experts within the EAP in order to strengthen their professional and social network.

Ultimately, Young EAP will deliver future paediatricians who have an interdisciplinary point of view, have grown into leadership roles and will be the change agents that are needed to further strengthen child health across Europe.

NEWS and PRESS RELEASES

<http://eapaediatrics.eu/news/> <http://eapaediatrics.eu/media-press-room/>

Some of EAP's recent focus topics include:

- vaccination and vaccine confidence;
- migrant and refugee health;
- antimicrobial resistance and stewardship;
- chronic diseases;
- training opportunities for young paediatricians
- obesity
- NCD
- MONTHLY BLOG prepared by YEAP members

Primary Care for children has always been one of the main focuses for EAP

The "Lancet" EAP Statement on Primary Care:

On April 18th 2015, "The Lancet" has published a fundamental and historic statement on Paediatric Primary Care in the Community signed by the whole Executive Committee of the EAP ; **the first in Europe to assert forcefully in an official document the professional role of the Paediatrician in Primary Care Paediatrics in the Community either as a first contact caretaker or as a supervisor of health promotion and medical care activities for children.**

<http://eapaediatrics.eu/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/The-Lancet-EAP-April-2015.pdf>

Basic training requirements for health care professionals who care for children

<http://eapaediatrics.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Basic-training-requirements-for-health-care-professionals-who-care.pdf>

EUROPEAN MASTERCOURSE IN PAEDIATRICS



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<https://www.amazon.com/European-Mastercourse-Paediatrics-Alfred-Tenore/dp/0702040630>

EAP Congress and MASTERCOURSE

Since 2013 EAP organizes a bi-annual Educational Congress and Mastercourse :

Lyon 2013, Oslo 2015, Ljubljana 2017, Porto 2019

EAPS - EUROPEAN ACADEMIC PAEDIATRIC SOCIETIES CONGRESS

The 7th bi-annual European Academy of Paediatric Societies (EAPS) Congress was held in Paris in the beginning of November this year. Co-organised by EAP, ESPNIC and ESPR as the three major stakeholders – but with many other European societies involved in its organization -, this major education and research platform gathered representatives over 3500 participants from all over the world and it is the most attended General Paediatric Congress in Europe. The next EAPS Congress, which will take place in Barcelona in 2020.

EAP STATUTE and BYLAWS <http://epa paediatrics.eu/about-eap/>