



# KANSAS CHAPTER

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS

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## Kansas Kids Fund - Pediatricians in Action Grant

The Kansas Pediatric Foundation created the Kansas Kids Fund in 2014 with the goal of being able to support child health initiatives that are important to members of the Kansas Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics (KAAP) and their patients. The Kansas Kids Fund is supporting the new Pediatric Action Grant. The Pediatric Action Grant is an opportunity for KAAP members to address a child health need in their practice or community. Priority will be given to grant applications that fall within one of the four strategic focus areas of KAAP:

- **Tobacco/Nicotine**  
Reduce exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products among children and adolescents. Potential projects might include disseminating educational materials on the risks of e-cigarettes and vaping to community stakeholders or families or encouraging caregivers to quit.
- **Vaccination**  
Increase vaccination rates of Kansas children and adolescents according to the ACIP guidelines. Projects could include collaboration between schools and health departments or working to increase practice immunization rates.
- **Foster Care**  
Improve care for foster care children and communication among those serving these children. Potential projects might include innovative ways to manage the care of foster care children in a practice or collaborations with local foster care contractors or foster care families.
- **Gun Safety**  
Reduce the number of children harmed by gun (firearm) violence in Kansas. A project in this area could include distribution of gun locks or gun safety materials to families or community partners.

## Who Should Apply

All KAAP members in good standing are eligible for this grant opportunity and encouraged to apply.

Grants that align with the KAAP strategic priorities and focus on education, communication or advocacy will be given priority, but all grants from KAAP members will be reviewed.

## When to Apply

Applications will be accepted until March 29, 2019, awards will be announced on May 1, 2019 and project should begin on July 1, 2019.

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