



## **2021 American Pediatric Society Election Candidate**

**Position:** President-elect  
**Candidate:** Dr. Stephen Daniels  
**Candidate Institution:** University of Colorado  
**Candidate Subspecialty:** Pediatric Cardiology

## American Pediatric Society (APS) Statement / Short biography

by Stephen R. Daniels, MD, PhD

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I am the Chair of Pediatrics at the University of Colorado and Pediatrician-in-Chief and L. Joseph Butterfield Chair in Pediatrics at Children's Hospital Colorado. I have been a member of the American Pediatric Society for over two decades and served on the Nominating Committee in 2015-2016. I have been a member of the Council since 2017. During my time on the Council, I have participated in the strategic planning process designed to develop new ways for the APS to provide value to members. This strategic planning process focused on diversity and inclusion, advocacy for child health, later stage career development issues, and how to leverage the expertise of the APS membership across these domains.

I see tremendous potential for the APS to lead the field of academic pediatrics during a time of uncertainty and rapid change. The work done in the past year on diversity, equity, and inclusion is vital, both for the APS as an organization and for the field of Pediatrics. We need to make sure that our criteria for membership reflect our desire to have pediatric leaders from a wide range of

backgrounds and experiences. We also need to work on opportunities for members to be active in the APS and make contributions to the organization.

This is a time when advocacy for issues related to the health of children and the opportunity for academic pediatrics to support children's health via clinical programs, research, and education is critical. The APS must work as an organization to focus on advocacy topics of most importance to our members and then work with other pediatric organizations to ensure that our advocacy voice is heard, and that appropriate legislative and policy changes are implemented.

The strength of APS is in our membership. APS must work simultaneously to support our members at more senior career stages and to leverage their incredible expertise across the entire field of Pediatrics. The American Pediatric Society should be the strongest and most active voice in all pediatric health issues of the day, including funding for research, immigration, health care finance, work force distribution and training the next generation of pediatric leaders.

As President of the APS, I will commit to serving the needs of the Society and its members as we work together to solve the problems facing academic pediatrics and the health of children.

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Re: Requested specific information to accompany short biography

Date: January 22, 2021

**1. Medical education and dates**

University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois	MD	1973-1977	Medicine
Harvard University, T. H. Chan School of Public Health, Boston, Massachusetts	MPH	1978-1979	Public Health
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina	PhD	1981-1982, 1989	Epidemiology

**2. House staff training and dates**

1977-1978	First Year Resident in Pediatrics, Children's Hospital Medical Center, Cincinnati, Ohio
1979-1981	Resident in Pediatrics, Children's Hospital Medical Center, Cincinnati, Ohio

**3. Fellowship positions and dates**

1981-1984	Fellow in Pediatric Cardiology, Children's Hospital Medical Center, Cincinnati, Ohio
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**4. Faculty positions**

- Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Division of Cardiology, University of Cincinnati, College of Medicine, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1984-1987.
- Assistant Professor of Environmental Health, Division of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of Cincinnati, College of Medicine, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1984-1989.
- Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Division of Cardiology, University of Cincinnati, College of Medicine, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1988-1992.

- Director of Preventive Cardiology, Division of Cardiology, Department of Pediatrics, Children's Hospital Medical Center Cincinnati, Ohio, 1989-2005.
- Professor of Pediatrics, Division of Cardiology, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1992-2005.
- Associate Professor of Environmental Health, Division of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of Cincinnati, College of Medicine. Cincinnati, Ohio, 1990-1996.
- Professor of Environmental Health, Division of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of Cincinnati, College of Medicine, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1997-2005.
- Associate Chair for Clinical Research, Department of Pediatrics, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1996-2005.
- Executive Director, Cincinnati Center for Clinical Research, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, 2002-2005.

#### **5. Current position**

- Professor of Pediatrics. Chair of the Department of Pediatrics, University of Colorado School of Medicine, 2006-Present.
- Pediatrician-in-Chief and L. Joseph Butterfield Chair in Pediatrics of Children's Hospital Colorado, 2006-Present.
- Professor of Epidemiology, Colorado School of Public Health, 2006-Present.

#### **6. Society memberships**

- American Association of the Advancement of Science
- American Heart Association- Fellow, Council on Cardiovascular Disease in the Young
- American Pediatric Society
- American Public Health Association
- American Society of Hypertension
- American Society of Echocardiography
- Fellow - American Academy of Pediatrics - Section on Epidemiology
- Fellow - American College of Cardiology
- Fellow - American College of Epidemiology
- Fellow - American Society of Hypertension

- Fellow - National Lipid Association
- Fellow - The Obesity Society
- International Society on Hypertension in Blacks
- Society for Epidemiologic Research
- Society for Pediatric Research

**7. Previous and current service and involvement in the activities of the American Pediatric Society**

- Member, APS Nominating Committee, 2015-2016.
- Member, APS Council, 2017-2022
- Member, APS Advocacy Committee 2019-2021

**8. Areas of research interest**

My research focus has been on the epidemiology of the development of risk factors in children and adolescents for cardiovascular disease, such as myocardial infarction and stroke, in adulthood. This includes the study of obesity, hypertension, dyslipidemia, and diabetes with a focus on the short, intermediate, and long-term sequelae of increased risk factors in early life. I have had continuous NIH funding since 1984.