



## 2024 American Pediatric Society Election Candidate

**Position:** Councilor

**Candidate:** David G. Nichols, MD, MBA, FAAP

**Institution(s):** Emeritus President and CEO  
The American Board of Pediatrics

**Subspecialty:** Critical Care

## **Candidate Statement of Interest**

In vying for an American Pediatric Society (APS) Council position, I believe I can contribute to the collective talents, networks, and influences of APS in addressing three critical issues for our profession: healthcare disparities, the youth mental health crisis, and severe shortages in the pediatric workforce, particularly affecting pediatric subspecialists and physician-scientists. I feel my experiences, skillsets, and passion would make me an effective member of the APS team.

From 2012 until 2021, I was the President and CEO of the American Board of Pediatrics (ABP). Before assuming that position, I was the Mary Wallace Stanton Vice Dean for Education and Professor of Pediatrics, Anesthesiology, and Critical Care Medicine at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

While leading the ABP, I partnered with many quality improvement networks, pediatric organizations, and children's hospitals to elevate equity. To ensure that future pediatricians have the competencies for equitable care and mental health care, the ABP sought extensive input from pediatric organizations, volunteers, and diplomates to redesign the relevant entrustable professional activities by which trainees are assessed and gain feedback on areas for improvement.

As Vice Dean for Education, I oversaw large MD, MD-PhD, and PhD predoctoral programs and scores of residency and fellowship programs. This experience, combined with my collaboration with pediatric department chairs, training program directors, and other specialty boards during my tenure as ABP president, has given me insights into how pediatrics could revamp both the general pediatrics and subspecialty training programs to make them more competitive with other specialties, more efficient for the trainee, and more productive for children and society. The collective energies of the pediatric leaders in APS will be a vital instrument in addressing these critical issues for our profession.

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Short Biography

<b>Medical Education</b>	Mount Sinai School of Medicine (now Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai). 1973-1977 (with Honors)
<b>House Staff Training</b>	Pediatric residency: Children's Hospital of Philadelphia 1977-80 Pediatric chief residency: Children's Hospital of Philadelphia 1980-91 Anesthesiology residency: Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania 1981-1983
<b>Fellowship Positions</b>	Pediatric Critical Care fellowship: Children's Hospital of Philadelphia 1983
<b>Faculty Positions</b>	<b>Instructor</b> , Department of Pediatrics, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine 1980-1981 <b>Assistant Professor</b> , Departments Anesthesiology Critical Care Medicine and Pediatrics, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine 1984-91 <b>Associate Professor</b> , Departments Anesthesiology Critical Care Medicine and Pediatrics, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine 1991-98 <b>Professor</b> , Departments Anesthesiology Critical Care Medicine and Pediatrics, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine 1998-2021 <b>The Mary Wallace Stanton Professor and Vice Dean of Education</b> , Johns Hopkins School of Medicine 2005-2012 <b>Emeritus Professor</b> , Departments Anesthesiology Critical Care Medicine and Pediatrics, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine 2021-present <b>Adjunct Professor of Pediatrics</b> , University of North Carolina School of Medicine 2013-present
<b>Current Position</b>	<b>Emeritus President and CEO</b> , The American Board of Pediatrics
<b>Society Memberships</b>	American Pediatric Society Society for Pediatric Research American Academy of Pediatrics
<b>APS Service and Involvement</b>	<b>Regular collaboration with APS leadership</b> during my American Board of Pediatrics presidency Spearheaded ABP funding for <b>the New Centuries Scholars</b> , which is now also funded by APS Inaugural winner of the <b>APS David G. Nichols Health Equity Award Chair</b> of the APS David G. Nichols Health Equity Award Selection Committee
<b>Areas of Research Interest</b>	Medical education, quality improvement, health equity, professionalism