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Pennsylvania Pediatrician of the Year

Renee M. Turchi, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.A.P., receives distinctive honor



Congratulations to Dr. Renee M. Turchi,
for being awarded the
2017 Pennsylvania Pediatrician of the Year Award
by the Pennsylvania Chapter
of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

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PHILADELPHIA, March 2nd, 2018 -- Renee M. Turchi, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.A.P., Section Chief, General Pediatrics; Medical Director, The Center for Children with Special Health Care Needs at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children and the Medical Director of the Pennsylvania Medical Home Initiative at the PA Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, was awarded today the Pennsylvania Pediatrician of the Year Award for the Year 2017 by the Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics. St. Christopher's is the first institution in Pennsylvania to have back-to-back Pediatrician of the Year Award winners.

This peer-nominated award is given each year to a Pennsylvania pediatrician who best exemplifies the ideals of the pediatric profession through their clinical work, teaching and mentoring of young physicians as well as their efforts in child advocacy. The award was presented during Grand Rounds at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children.

Dr. Turchi's career is a testament to her devotion to children and pediatric medicine. As a clinician, teacher, researcher and advocate, Dr. Turchi is particularly known for her work in patient care and improving outcomes for all patients and their families, especially those who are disadvantaged and/or children with medical complexity and special health care needs.

Dr. Turchi received an undergraduate degree from Cornell University, her medical degree from Medical College of Pennsylvania and her Masters of Public Health from Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health. Her residency and chief residency were completed at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children and she completed her fellowship at Johns Hopkins University (Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program). She is faculty at both Drexel University School of Public Health and Drexel University College of Medicine.

Dr. Turchi has served in leadership roles at the state and national level of the American Academy of Pediatrics. She has inspired countless colleagues and young physicians with her commitment to children and their families. In addition, she serves as the Medical Director for the PA statewide Medical Home Initiative – a program of the Pennsylvania Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics and funded by the Pennsylvania Department of Health.

Dr. Turchi is best known as a national leader on the topic of medical home and care coordination and her work in Philadelphia and statewide has raised the bar for other states in their implementation of the medical home concepts. Dr. Turchi has been the principal investigator and co-investigator on multiple federally, state and local funding projects. She has presented her research in local and national forums.

St. Christopher's Hospital for Children teaches pediatric care as an academic affiliate for Drexel University College of Medicine. The hospital was founded in 1875, when it opened as a one-room dispensary for the mill workers' children of the Kensington area of Philadelphia. Today St. Christopher's is a 189-bed hospital providing cutting-edge medical services to children across the Greater Philadelphia area and has been at the forefront of many areas of pediatric medicine. For more than 60 years, the hospital has been dedicated to not only the education and training of physicians; but, that of nurses and other allied health professionals.

The Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, a non-profit organization of pediatricians practicing in the Commonwealth, is committed to the optimal health, safety and well-being of infants, children and adolescents.