

Lily J. Lou, MD, FAAP

Palos Park, II

Position sought

At-Large Board Member, Medical Subspecialist

City and state of residence

Palos Park, II

Professional titles

Professor of Clinical Pediatrics and Director of Government Relations, University of Illinois at Chicago

Medical School and post-graduate education

M.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Residency program and fellowship

Pediatric residency, University of Minnesota Hospitals & Clinics

Neonatal-perinatal medicine fellowship, Yale University School of Medicine

Medical education fellowship, University of New Mexico

Involvement in AAP and other organizations

- AAP Section on Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine Executive committee: immediate past chair (November 2022-present), chair (November 2020-2022), chair-elect (2018-2020), co-chair, Advocacy Committee (2018-present), District VIII representative to executive committee (2012-2018)
- AAP Illinois Chapter member

- AAP Alaska Chapter: president (2014-2020), vice president (2009-2014), secretary-treasurer (2005-2009)
- AAP section/council membership: Section on Neonatal-perinatal Medicine, Section on Transport Medicine, Section on Nicotine and Tobacco Prevention and Treatment, Section on Environmental Health (chapter champion for Alaska), Section on Breastfeeding, Council on Children and Disasters

Why voters should choose you

I believe passionately that the AAP is the professional home for all pediatricians—general or subspecialty. The Section on Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine is the largest subspecialty section and is housed entirely within the AAP. I have also engaged actively in chapter/district activities. I've enjoyed leadership roles at the neonatal intensive care unit, department, children's hospital, and state health department levels. I know that advocacy and health policy are important strategies for improving the welfare of children. I've practiced in New Mexico and Alaska, and currently work in inner-city Chicago. I understand the challenges of underrepresented populations and believe efforts to address disparities will "float all the boats".