



41st Steven J. Parker Memorial Developmental-Behavioral Pediatric Conference: Clinical Problems in Primary Care

March 7-8, 2025

Trustees Ballroom, Charles River Campus, Boston University, Boston, MA

This is a hybrid meeting with in-person and virtual attendance options.

This program is designed for practicing clinicians who have an interest, passion or emerging expertise in developmental and behavioral pediatrics and want to take their knowledge and skill to the next level.

Many clinicians and allied medical professionals do not feel adequately trained when in practice and yet they face these challenges with patients and families every day. The course offers practical approaches to these issues and we welcome participants from a broad array of disciplines including physicians, advance practice providers, nurses, social workers, and allied medical professionals who work in Pediatrics and the broader medical community.

This is your chance to enhance your knowledge and interact with colleagues in a two day seminar. Choose to attend in person or virtually. Recordings will be made available for 30 days to those who register for the meeting. They will not be available to non-registered participants.



Keynote Speaker

This year, we are pleased to feature **Alastair Bell, MD, MBA**, President and CEO of the Boston Medical Center Health System as the Keynote Speaker on the topic:

Medical Care of Vulnerable Populations

What Attendees are Saying about the Parker DBP Course:

- *1st time attendee. One of the BEST conferences I've attended in my 20+ years of practice! I think I really appreciated this conference more as a seasoned pediatrician as it seems cutting edge, process improvement with real world examples and actionable ideas.*
- *This conference is an incredible resource with a lot to take back to the primary care setting.*
- *Excellent conference with a depth and breadth of very applicable ideas and concepts in developmental/behavioral tips that I can use in my daily practice in general pediatrics.*
- *Excellent course. Topics were expertly and thoughtfully presented. The learning environment was warm accepting and effective.*

Target Audience

This program is designed for the entire pediatric healthcare team: primary care physicians, pediatricians, pediatric nurse practitioners, nurses, physician assistants, social workers, child mental health professionals and family nurse practitioners.

Learning Objectives

Through lectures and question and answer sessions, participants at the conclusion of this conference will be able to:

- Explain the challenges of (and solutions for) caring for special and vulnerable populations in Developmental-Behavioral Pediatric topics.
- Discuss strategies for counseling families of neurodevelopmentally complex children in transitioning to adult care.
- Describe the latest clinical information on a variety of other developmental and behavioral issues in children and families.

Program

Friday, March 7, 2025

- 7:30 AM Registration and Breakfast for In-Person Attendees
- 8:00 AM Live Stream Starts for Virtual Attendees
- 8:15 AM Welcome and Introduction | *Marilyn Augustyn, MD*

MODULE ONE: Caring for Vulnerable Populations

- 8:30 AM KEYNOTE- Medical Care of Vulnerable Populations | *Alastair Bell, MD, MBA*
- 9:45 AM Hot Topics on Families with Special Needs - Pediatric Home Care: Cool Innovations, Challenging Trends
Jack Maypole, MD
- 10:30 AM Break
- 10:45 AM The Curious Case of the Deaf Immigrant | *Anna Lim, PhD and Arielle Spellun, MD*
- 11:30 AM Neurodiverse Urban Youth | *Marilyn Augustyn, MD and Irene Piryatinsky, PhD, ABPP-CN*
- 12:15 PM English Language Learners 2024 | *Sarah Canale, MD*
- 1:15 PM Lunch (on your own)

MODULE TWO: DBP Potpourri

- 2:00 PM Genetic Evaluation in an Older Youth | *Jodi D. Hoffman, MD*
- 2:45 PM Showing Up for Families: How Pediatric Providers can Partner with Parents in Recovery
Elizabeth Egan, MPH, LICSW and Genevieve L. Preer, MD
- 3:30 PM Break
- 3:15 PM What Every Pediatrician Needs to Know About Addressing Adolescent Substance Use | *Sarah Bagley, MD, MSc*
- 4:00 PM Primary Care and Psychiatry Around Complex ADHD | *Paul Hammerness, MD*
- 4:45 PM Adjourn

Saturday, March 8, 2025

- 7:45 AM Registration and Breakfast for In-Person Attendees
- 8:00 AM Live Stream Starts for Virtual Attendees
- 8:15 AM Introduction to Day 2 | *Jack Maypole, MD*

MODULE THREE: Transitioning to Adult Care – It's about time(ing)

- 8:30 AM Ableism, The Final Frontier | *Jodi Wenger, MD*
- 9:15 AM Getting to the Autism Diagnosis: The Pile of Paperwork and Navigating the Process | *Katie Campbell, MA*
- 10:00 AM Break
- 10:15 AM Global Developmental Delay to Intellectual Disability | *Audrey Christiansen, MD*
- 11:00 AM SAFE Consensus Panel | *Marilyn Augustyn, MD*
- 12:00 PM Lunch (on your own)

MODULE FOUR: DBP Potpourri

- 1:15 PM Movement Disorders to Tics for the PCP and Care Team | *Patrick Mabray, MD, PhD*
- 2:00 PM Mental Health Treatment Modalities For Young Children | *Bridget Poznanski, PhD*
- 2:45 PM Break
- 3:00 PM It Takes A Team: Thinking About Selective Eating | *Margot Tang, MD, MPH*
- 3:45 PM 10 Best Articles in DBP | *Marilyn Augustyn, MD and Jack Maypole, MD*
- 4:45 PM Adjourn

Venue

In-Person Venue: [Trustees Ballroom](#), Charles River Campus, Boston University, 1 Silber Way, 9th Floor

The Metcalf Trustee Center offers elegance with a view. Located on the ninth floor of One Silber Way, it features a classically appointed ballroom with crystal chandeliers.

The Metcalf Trustee Center is located on the Boston University campus at 1 Silber Way on the 9th floor. Guests can easily get here via Storrow Drive, I-90, and public transportation.

Zoom Webinar

We will be using Zoom Webinar for the online program. Connection info will be sent out the week of the meeting.

Travel

A block of rooms has been reserved at the nearby Hotel Commonwealth in the heart of Kenmore Square for \$232 + taxes for our out of town participants. Rooms at this rate can be booked here:

[Hotel Commonwealth Reservations – BU Steven Parker Conference](#).

You can also make a reservation by telephone by calling the Reservations Department toll-free at (1 866) 784-4000 (in the United States and Canada) or (1 617) 532-5019 or via email at allreservations@hotelcommonwealth.com. Please identify yourself as part of the BU Medical - Steven J. Parker Conference 2024 group when calling or emailing.

For more details on the Hotel Commonwealth, please visit: <https://www.hotelcommonwealth.com/>

Credit Types: AMA, ANCC, Social Work, MOC, IPCE, Participation



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Physicians

Boston University Chobanian & Avedisian School of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 13.75 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)*[™]. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

This continuing medical education activity has been reviewed by the American Academy of Pediatrics and is acceptable for a maximum of 13.75 AAP credits. These credits can be applied toward the AAP CME/CPD Award available to Fellows and Candidate Members of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

MOC



Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the learner to earn up to 13.75 MOC points in the American Board of Pediatrics' (ABP) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program. It is the CME activity provider's responsibility to submit learner completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABP MOC credit.

By attending this activity and providing your ABP number and Date of Birth, you authorize BU CCE office to report your information to the ACCME so that we may process your MOC Part II credit on your behalf.

Physician Assistant

NCCPA accepts certificates of participation for educational activities certified for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit[™] from organizations accredited by ACCME or a recognized state medical society. Physician assistants may receive a maximum of 13.75 hours of Category 1 credit for completing this program.

Nurses

Nursing Contact Hours: 14.00 of which 3 are eligible for pharmacology credit.

Social Workers

As a Jointly Accredited Organization, Boston University Chobanian & Avedisian School of Medicine is approved to offer social work continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) Approved Continuing Education (ACE) program. Organizations, not individual courses, are approved under this program. Regulatory boards are the final authority on courses accepted for continuing education credit. Social workers completing this course receive 13.75 clinical continuing education credits.

Boston University Chobanian & Avedisian School of Medicine, Barry M. Manual Continuing Medical Education Office is recognized by the New York State Education Department's State Board for Social Work as an approved provider of continuing education for licensed social workers #SW-0589. (Social Workers must attend all sessions for credit. Partial credit is not allowed.)

Other Learners

All other learners may claim a certificate of participation. Consult your professional licensing board regarding the applicability and acceptance of certificates of participation for programs certified for credit by organizations accredited by Joint Accreditation for Interprofessional Education.

Keynote Speaker

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President and CEO, Boston Medical Center Health System

Confirmed Speakers

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Sarah Bagley, MD, MSc (she/her)

Director, Youth Empowerment Research Collaborative

Associate Professor of Medicine and Pediatrics

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Katie Campbell, MA

Autism Resource Specialist (Transition Specialist)/Referral Coordinator DBP

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Assistant professor, Developmental & Behavioral Pediatrics

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Clinical Professor, Department of Psychiatry & Pediatrics

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Lecturer in Deaf Studies, Boston University

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Book Review Editor, Journal of Deaf Studies and Deaf Education

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Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Neurology

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Pediatric Sleep Physician, Boston Medical Center

Jack Maypole, MD

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Margot Tang, MD, MPH

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Jodi Wenger, MD

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About Dr. Parker



Steven Parker, MD graduated from Cornell University, University of Michigan Medical School and completed pediatric residency at Stanford University Hospital. He completed a fellowship at Children's Hospital of Boston with T. Berry Brazelton in Child Development. He started his career in private pediatric practice but after 3 years joined the faculty at Boston University School of Medicine and Boston Medical Center (the former Boston City Hospital) and he became Director of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics in 1994, a position he served for over 13 years. He founded and directed the Comprehensive Care Program at BMC – a national model in family centered care for children with developmental disabilities. He published extensively on many areas in DBP and also was the voice of pediatrics for WebMD. His compassion, wisdom and insight in supporting children and families across Boston and the country will not be forgotten. In addition, he co-founded this conference in 1984 with Dr. Barry Zuckerman and it is in his memory that we hold the annual Steven J. Parker Memorial Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics Conference. We hope for all participants that it is an annual opportunity to revisit the topics that are at the core of pediatric practice and to remember Steve's own advice for parents from his blog:

"Enjoy your kids! Enjoy the ride! Some day soon you'll wonder how it all went by so fast and why you didn't appreciate it more as it was happening."

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