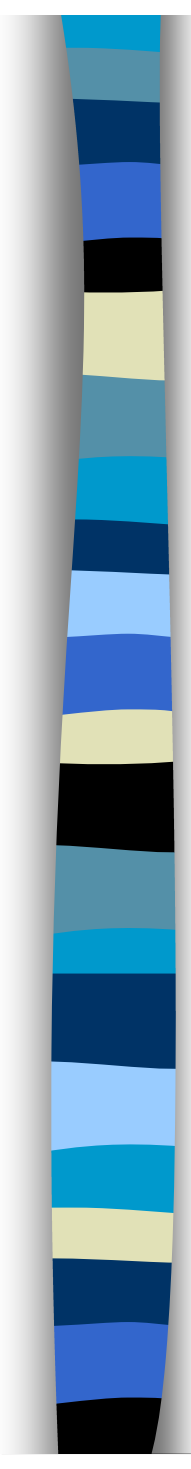


What is Outside of the Walls in Which You Work?



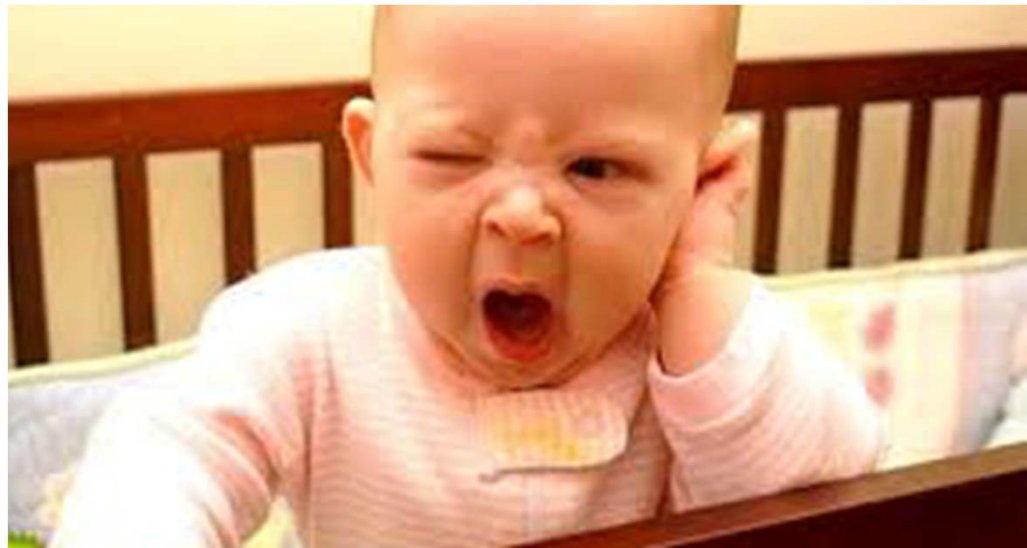
Pepper Henryon, MD, FAAP

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- Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not.

- Dr. Seuss



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- There is a lot of work to be done



It Takes a Community to Raise a Child

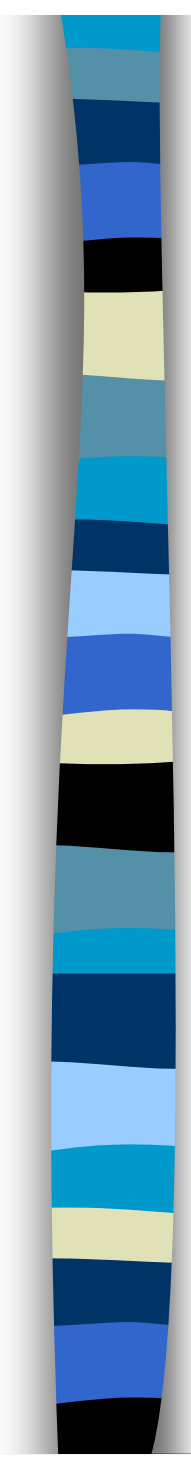
- The child often does not have a choice
- The child often does not have a voice
- Be the voice of the child
- Speak out for children

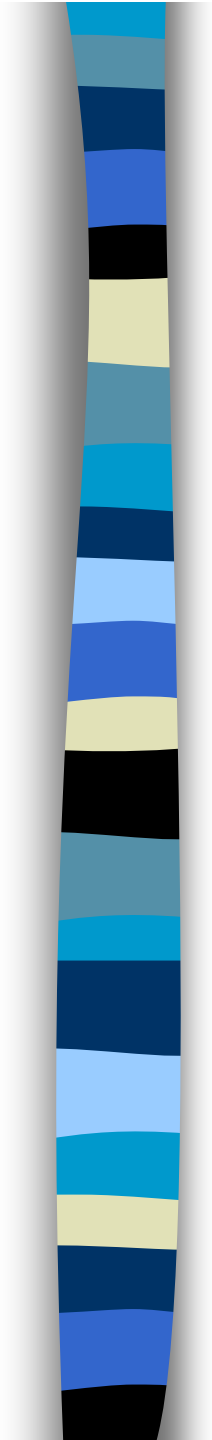




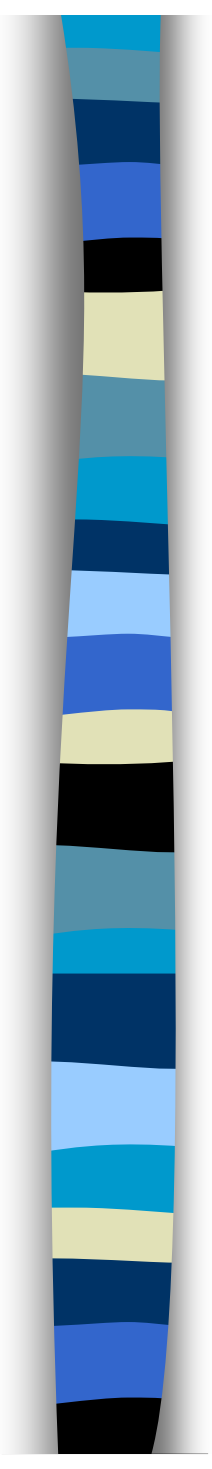
I Believe that Children Need a
Voice



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- The child who is emotionally, physically, sexually abused, neglected, or in a home with drug or alcohol abuse. . .

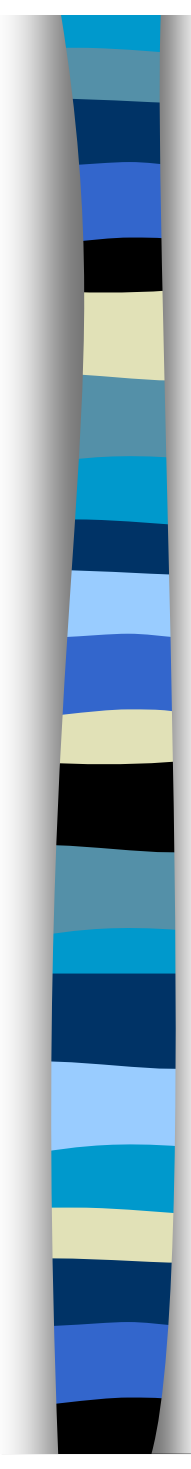


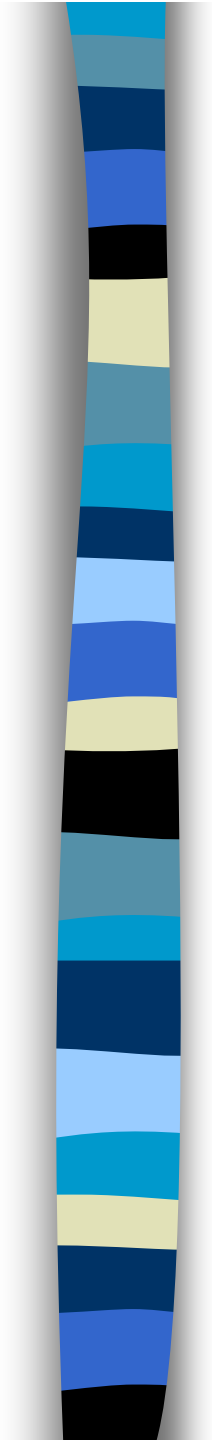
Give that child a voice

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- The child and her mother living in poverty, having no place to stay, living in their car.

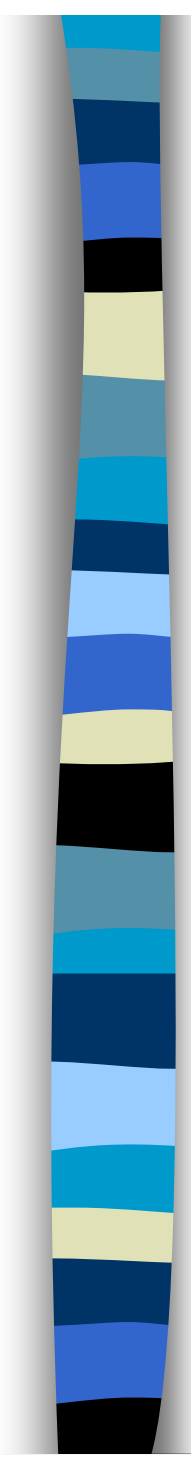
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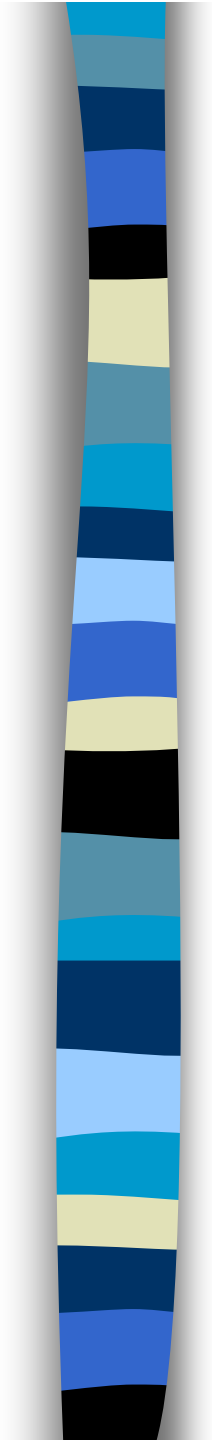


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- The infant of a mother with severe post partum depression, the child with a mother with untreated bipolar disorder, the teen whose father committed suicide and now he is feeling suicidal. . .



Give that child a voice

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- The child living at Fort Peck with no drinkable running water from his tap. Served only juice, chocolate milk and strawberry milk as beverages at his school. Living in a community where pop costs less than water. Who has severe dental disease/abcesses. Who can't talk because his mouth hurts so much and had a friend die last year from a dental abcess.



Give that child a voice



Oath

- I will give that child a voice.
- I will help to be the voice of the children in Montana

The Reality. . .

- A committee of 1 can only do so much.



A Committee of Many Can Do a Whole Heck of a Lot More

- A case study of what can happen when a group of pediatricians unite to give the child a voice.





Montana Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics

- Building Relationships
- Chapter priorities
- Subcommittees
- Partner with MMA and now our voice is louder and heard by more
- A part of national American Academy of Pediatrics



Secrets to Success of Our Chapter

- Hire the right person with a similar vision
- Personal contact of the pediatricians
- Knowing individual interests
- Engage young physicians
- Ask for help
- Partnerships

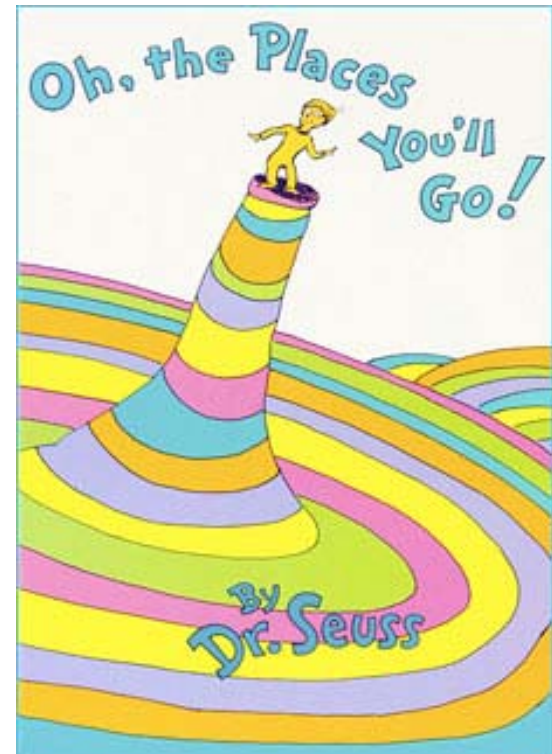


There's a Lot of Work to be Done

- Yes, doctor. . . and. . . any little, tiny thing that you do today, is 100% more than what was done yesterday.
- Celebrate any tiny achievement.

- You're off to great places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting, so get on your way!

- Dr. Seuss





Thanks!

