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**Combined AIM-AAP Partnership Meeting  
February 7-9, 2023  
Limited Hotel, Charleston, South Carolina**

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**AIM-AAP Welcome**

**Speakers: Dr. Chung, Claire Hannan**

**Notetaker: Tessa Atkinson-Adams**

**Notes:**

- Dr. Chung
  - Welcome, happy to discuss increasing COVID-19 vaccination rates and improving the VFC program; concerned about measles outbreaks and vaccine hesitancy prevalence; partnership between AAP chapters and immunization program managers is critical; commercialization of COVID-19 vaccines is coming- AAP has been advocating for successful transition needs; strong AAP-AIM partnership is a great opportunity
- Claire Hannan
  - Thank you to CDC for supporting this meeting
  - The COVID-19 pediatric vaccination rates currently are low across the country

**Who are America's Children today?**

**Speaker: Dr. Lynn Olsen**

**Notetaker: Tessa Atkinson-Adams**

**Notes:**

- Focus on tri-variability of children across the country
- Historic generational change
  - High diversity
  - Large geographic variability
  - Interconnections: income race and ethnicity, immigration, geography
- US trends: declining child populations, however, there is growth in child population in south and shrinkage in north
- Percentage of US population that are children: 34% in 1970 and 22% in 2020
- Texas and California have the largest percentage of all the country's child population (over 10% each state)
- Trends in percent of US children living below the poverty line, 2021: 27.3 percent black, 22.4 percent Hispanic, 8.8 percent white, poverty level \$27,479 family of 4

- Child population increasingly diverse: decrease in white identifying and increase in Hispanic/Latino identifying, demographers predict these trend will continue in the same direction, diversity is also highly variable across states
- New York and Illinois are the most similar to the national breakdown of child population by race/ethnicity
- Percent of children who are black non-Hispanic by state: predominant higher percentages are in the south
- Percent of children who are Hispanic by state: predominant higher percentages are in California and the southwest
- Immigrant children in America (child or parent born in another country)
  - Growth in historic levels
  - High variability across the states
- Immigrant children as share of U.S. children, 2020 25% (compared to 6% in 1960)
- AAP member survey: estimated percentage of children patients that are immigrants: 1 in 6 pediatricians report more than 40% of patients are immigrant children
- Immigrant families highly diverse by education and income
  - About half have a parent with low English proficiency
  - 42% live in low-income families
  - The “chilling” effect impacts families coming if for services if families are worried about non-citizen family members getting in some sort of trouble
- Health insurance for all children has improved over time
  - Only 4% of children have no health insurance
- Percentage of children without insurance by state: Texas is highest at 11.8%
- Medicaid/CHIP child enrollment trend since June 2019: up to 55% currently enrolled
  - Race and ethnicity trends: higher enrollment of black and Hispanic identifying children
- The numbers tell us: invest in the diversity of children
- Q&A
  - Florida: concerns about under-reporting
    - LO: As much as we see disparities, especially for immigrant families and Hispanic identifying, under counting is a big concern
  - Texas: large child population and large uninsured population, what are suggested strategies for loss of children on Medicaid
    - LO: there is an interconnection and pattern in these measures that put children at greater risk, we need more data on how these factors interconnect
  - How much the cost attributable to increase in Medicaid enrollment changed the budgets?
    - LO: We should be able to watch in real-time this data moving forward
  - Texas: concerned that over 1 million current Medicaid enrolled individuals will become dis-enrolled, this will have a huge impact on care and not enough people know this is coming