

Curriculum Vitae

ELISA A. NICHOLAS, M.D., M.S.P.H., F.A.A.P.

Recent Employment:

2005	Chief Executive Officer <i>The Children's Clinic, Serving Children and Their Families</i>
2000 – 2004	Executive Director
1990 – 2000	Medical & Executive Director
1988 – 2000	Medical Director <i>The Children's Clinic, Serving Children and Their Families</i>
2000 – present	Project Director <i>Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma (LBACA)</i>
1986 – 1988	Assistant Professor of Pediatrics <i>UCLA School of Medicine, Child Abuse Crisis Center Harbor/UCLA Medical Center</i>

Academic Appointments:

7/02 – Present	Associate Professor of Pediatrics, University of California, Irvine, School of Medicine
7/88 – 7/02	Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, University of California, Irvine, School of Medicine
7/86 – 7/88	Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, University of California, Los Angeles

Education:

1971 - 1975	University of California, Santa Cruz, California, (B.A.)
1976 - 1980	University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), School of Medicine, (M.D)
1980 - 1983	Residency Training, Yale University School of Medicine, Yale-New Haven Hospital, Pediatrics
1983 - 1985	UCLA, Preventive Medicine Residency
1983 - 1985	Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar, UCLA School of Medicine
1983 – 1985	UCLA School of Public Health, M.S.P.H.

Honors/Awards:

- State Senator Alan Lowenthal's California Woman of the Year Award, 2007
- Southern California Public Health Association's Leadership Award, 2007
- Nuestra Imagen Award – TCC received 2006
- Durfee Foundation – 2007 Sabbatical program recipient
- California League of Conservation Voters 5th Annual Environmental Leadership Award, 2005
- Community Service Award, Blue Cross, 2005
- Community Health Star Award Community, Clinic Association of Los Angeles County, 2005
- Stand for Children Award, Long Beach Chapter, 2004
- Health Wall of Fame, Partnership for the Public's Health, 2004
- 4th Annual Vito Roman Award for Outstanding Community Achievements from the Downtown Long Beach Lions Club, 2003
- MemorialCare/ABC 7 Excellence in Health Care Award, 2003
- National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners Pal of the Year Award, 2002

- American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) CATCH Visiting Professor, 1999
- Featured in article in The Best Medicine, Doctors, Patients, and the Covenant of Caring, 1999
- Women of the Year Award, Los Angeles County Commission for Women, 1998
- Women Who Make a Difference Award, Soroptimist International, Long Beach, Ca., 1997
- The Munzer Family Award, Long Beach Memorial Foundation, Recognizing Physicians for Excellence, 1996
- Gene Lentzer Human Relations Award of The National Conference, 1996

Recent Grants & Program Development:

- Awarded grant by LA County for Outreach, Enrollment, Utilization and Retention Services, 2007
- Awarded grant by LA County Dept. of Health for new clinic building, 2006
- Vistas For Children – awarded funding for children with special health care needs. 2006
- State of California DHS Asthma Public Health Initiative – awarded funding for “Best Practices in Childhood Asthma – Community Level Effective Interventions for Reducing and Eliminating Asthma Morbidity and Disparities in California Children” - 2006
- Hughes Foundation Grant – Received funding for new clinic building - 2006
- W. M. Keck Foundation – received funding for new clinic building – 2006
- Miller Foundation Grant – awarded funding for Social Services Program, Community Partners Council, and Health Education and Outreach 2006
- Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southern California – received funding for Reach Out and Read Program, 2006
- Boeing Company awarded funding for the Healthy Lifestyles Program, 2006
- The Norris Foundation awarded funding for general operating, 2006
- Target awarded funding for Reach Out and Read Program, 2006
- Pfaffinger Foundation awarded funding for general operating, 2006
- Tides Foundation – received funding for new clinic building, 2005
- Johnson & Johnson Community Health Care Program – awarded ongoing funding for the Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma (LBACA), 2004 – present
- The Vasek and Anna Maria Polak Charitable Foundation – received funding for the operation and upkeep of The Children’s Clinic satellite clinic, 2004
- California Asthma Among School Aged Project (CAASA) – received funding from The California Endowment to improve knowledge and awareness among health care providers in delivery of asthma care, 2001 - 2004
- Healthy Connections Childcare grant – a collaborative involving twelve childcare centers to improve access to children’s physical, mental and dental care through integrated services, funded by First 5 LA, 2001 – 2004
- Healthcare for Homeless Children – received funding through the Northeast Valley Health Foundation and Pacific Hospital to provide care to homeless children at the City of Long Beach Multi-Service Center, 2000 – present
- Partnership for the Public’s Health – funding received to work with community partnership council and The Long Beach Dept. of Health & Human Services to improve the health and well-being of residents in the 90813 zip code, 2000 – present
- Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma – a community coalition funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s Allies Against Asthma project and The California Endowment to support community wide efforts to improve the health and well-being of children with asthma in Long Beach, 2000 – 2005
- Asthma Intervention for Inner City Children – a grant received from the Center for Disease Control for individual patient support provided by specially trained MSW’s, 2001 - 2003

Professional and Community Appointments and Committee:

- ◆ Miller Children's Hospital – Chief of Staff, 2004 – present
- ◆ Member, California Asthma Partners (CAP) Steering Committee, 2004 – present
- ◆ Member, Asthma Management Program (AMP), 2004 – present
- ◆ Member, Los Angeles County Dept. of Health Services, Chronic Disease and Patient Self-Management, Committee, 2003 – present
- ◆ Member, 710 Freeway Tier Two Corridor Level Advisory Committee, 2003 – present
- ◆ Member, Los Angeles County Dept. of Health Services, Asthma Media Messages Committee, 2002 – present
- ◆ Member, Long Beach Network for Health Steering Committee, 2005
- ◆ Member, LA Care Health Plan Board of Directors, 1994 – 2003.
- ◆ Children's Health Consultant Advisory Committee, LA Care Health Plan, 1994 - present
- ◆ Long Beach Community Health Council, Co-convener, 1994 - present
- ◆ Los Angeles County Children's Planning Council, Appointee of Supervisor Don Knabe, 2001-present
- ◆ *American Academy of Pediatrics*: Collaborative Care Workgroup, 2003 – 2004; Executive committee of the Community Pediatric Section, 1997 – 2003; Executive Committee of the International Health Section Liaison, 1998 – 2003; Community Access to Child Health (CATCH) Chapter 2 Facilitator, 1996 – present.
- ◆ *Ambulatory Pediatric Association*: APA Committee on Education, 1993 – present; Region Co-chair, 1992 – 1996;
- ◆ Founding Member of the Community Clinic Association of Los Angeles County 2000-present; Commissioner – Los Angeles County Commission on Children and Families, 1998 – 2001

Recent Presentations/Lectures:

- ◆ Presented “Community Health: Impacts of Goods Movement” at Faster Freight – Cleaner Air (FFCA): A Summit on North American Goods Movement and Air Quality, February 26, 2007
- ◆ Presented “A Model for Community Collaboration to Improve Asthma Outcomes” at CCALAC's Chronic Care Conference, January 27, 2007
- ◆ Presented at American Public Health Association's (APHA) Annual Conference on “Coalition Based Community Participation in Asthma Policy Changes, Boston, November 6-8, 2006
- ◆ Presented at the South Coast Air Quality Management District's Air Quality Institute meeting on “Health Effects of Air Pollution on Communities Directly Impacted”, September 15, 2006, September 22, 2006 and August 25, 2006
- ◆ Testified at a legislative policy briefing in Sacramento, “Saving Lives and Money through Children's Asthma Care Management: Sustainable Financing for High Quality Programs”. June, 2006
- ◆ “Managing Pediatric Asthma: Mobile or Medical Home”, presented at the National Health Policy forum April 19, 2006.
- ◆ “A Community Approach to the Prevention and Management of Asthma in California, presented to USC Community Medicine Residents, April 19, 2006.
- ◆ Presented at the Southern California Public Health Association conference on Health Disparities in Childhood, March, 2006
- ◆ “Current Treatment and Management of Asthma” presented at the Southern California AQMD Asthma Conference, February 2006
- ◆ “Community Health Information Technology efforts and Roles for Community Clinics” at the Building Clinic Capacity for Quality in Southern California Forum, January 2006
- ◆ “Grassroots Involvement in Policy Development Initiatives through Coalition Efforts”, presented at the American Public Health Association Annual Conference, December 2005.
- ◆ “Effective Asthma Community Health Worker Interventions”, presented at the American Public Health Association Annual Conference, December 2005

- ◆ Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma presentation to Miller Children’s Hospital Advisory Board, November 2005.
- ◆ “Taking a Community Wide Approach”, presented at California Healthcare Foundation’s Conference on Chronic Disease Care: Better Ideas for Solving Real World Problems, November 2005
- ◆ “Goods Movement & Health – from the Perspective of Those Who are Most Directly Affected”, presented at Los Angeles County Assembly Transportation Committee, October 2005
- ◆ “Coalition Based Approaches to Decreasing Child Health Disparities”, presented to UCI Faculty, Sept. 2005
- ◆ “Sustainability Session” presented at the CDC’s Controlling Asthma in American Cities Annual Conference, September 2005
- ◆ “Local Policy Efforts to Improve Environments and Access to Quality Care for Children with Asthma,” presented at the California Asthma Partners (CAP) regional meeting, June 2005
- ◆ “Asthma Intervention in and for Schools, Preschools, and After School Programs”, presented at the American Public Health Association’s Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, November 2004
- ◆ “Improving the Delivery of Clinical Care,” presented at the American Public Health Association’s Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, November 2004
- ◆ “Coalition Based Approaches to Decreasing Child Health Disparities: Asthma and Early Childhood Health, Development and Behavioral Issues,” presented at the American Academy of Pediatrics National Conference and Exhibition, San Francisco, October, 2004
- ◆ Presented CAASA program to the CDC’s meeting of California projects focusing on Asthma, Oakland, September, 2004
- ◆ “Community Partnerships & Coalition Based Approaches to Improvement of Child Health” – presented at the American Academy of Pediatrics Community Access to Children’s Health (CATCH) & Medical Home National Conference, Chicago, July, 2004
- ◆ “Building Successful Community Coalitions: Engaging and Sustaining Grassroots Involvement,” presented at the CDC national meeting in Atlanta, 2004
- ◆ “Recreation Programs and Asthma,” presented at the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, National Conference on Asthma, Washington, DC, 2003
- ◆ “Critical Elements of Successful Clinical Asthma Interventions”. Presented at the Center for Health Care Strategies, Inc. 2nd annual meeting of the California Asthma Collaborative. Manhattan Beach, 2003
- ◆ “Air Pollution and Asthma”. Presented to the California Legislature, Select Committee on the Ports Hearing, Commerce, Ca. , 2003
- ◆ “The Asthma Crisis in California”. Presented at the Southwestern Regional Conference on Mold, Lead, Healthy Homes and Children’s Environmental Health, Marina del Rey, Ca. 2003
- ◆ “Asthma: Why California’s Children Can’t Breathe.” Presented to the California Legislature, Legislative Hearing, Sacramento, Ca., 2003
- ◆ Presentation in support of AB2650 Clean Air Quality to the Long Beach City Council, 2002
- ◆ “Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma”, presented at the AQMD’s Clean Air Conference, 2002

Publications:

- ◆ Peterson, J, Butterfoss, F., Nicholas, E, L, Lara, M, LaChance, L, *Engaging Multiple Community Sectors to Address Childhood Asthma*. SOPHE 2006
- ◆ Nicholas, E, Dwyer, M, Murphy, A, Fishwick, J, Cohn, J, Kelly, C, Gould, C, Stefano, D, Clark, N. *Coalition Approaches for Addressing Environmental Issues in Childhood Asthma*. SOPHE 2006
- ◆ Nicholas, EA, *The Children’s Clinic – Brighter Tomorrow’s International Elementary School Family Center Health Project*. California Pediatrician, Spring 1996 issue.

- ◆ Editor of Chapter on *Child Health in Social, Cultural and Community Context* for the Ambulatory Pediatric Association Revised Residency Educational Guidelines, 1996.
- ◆ Conference Proceedings; Educating Pediatric Residents to Provide Health Care to Underserved Children, conference sponsored by Ambulatory Pediatric Association, funded by the US Bureau of Maternal and Child Health, Alexandria, Va., March 4-5, 1990. Published by Ambulatory Pediatric Association. Saywitz, K.J., Goodwin, G., Nicholas, E., and Moan, S., *Children's Memories of a Physical Examination Involving Genital Touch: Implications for Reports of Child Sexual Abuse*, Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology, 1991, Vol. 59, No 5, 682-691.

Workshop Abstracts:

- ◆ D. Kittredge, CD Baldwin, M. Bar-on, HG Levine, EA Nicholas, FR Trimm, III, T Schum, SB Tully and Members of the APA Education Committee. Implementing the New APA Educational Guidelines for Residency Training in General Pediatrics. Workshop presented at the Ambulatory Pediatric Association Annual Meeting , May 1996.
- ◆ D. Kittredge, CD Baldwin, M Bar-on, HG Levine, EA Nicholas, T Schum, RF Trimm, SB Tully6. Using the New APA Educational Guidelines for Residency Training in General Pediatrics to Improve Your Program. Presented at the Ambulatory Pediatric Association Annual Meeting, May 1995.

Languages: Fluent in Spanish

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