## **Medical School Pediatric Department Chair Delegate**



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## Statement of Interest/Bio:

Patricia J. Emmanuel, M.D., received a B.S. from University of Notre Dame and a Medical Degree from the University of Florida. She performed her pediatric internship and residency at the University of South Florida in Tampa, where she was chief resident. She completed a fellowship in pediatric and adult infectious diseases at the same institution. She is board certified in Pediatrics and Pediatric Infectious Disease and practices HIV medicine and infectious disease in Tampa, Florida. Since 2012, Dr. Emmanuel has served as the Lewis A. Barness Professor of Pediatrics and Chair in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of South Florida College of Medicine.

I would be honored to serve once again as the delegate of the pediatric department chairs to the FCAAP. I have been involved with the FCAAP for many years and currently serve in this role in 2018. The pediatric chairs of our state work collaboratively to address education, workforce, and advocacy issues and to promote additional research and training. We are dedicated and aligned with the FCAAP in our desire to advance the health of all children in Florida. I have seen the power of our combined efforts in addressing the pandemic and other pressing issues. There is much still to be accomplished to assure that every child in Florida can achieve their potential. I will work with the FCAAP to facilitate communication and address critical issues and challenges in child health.