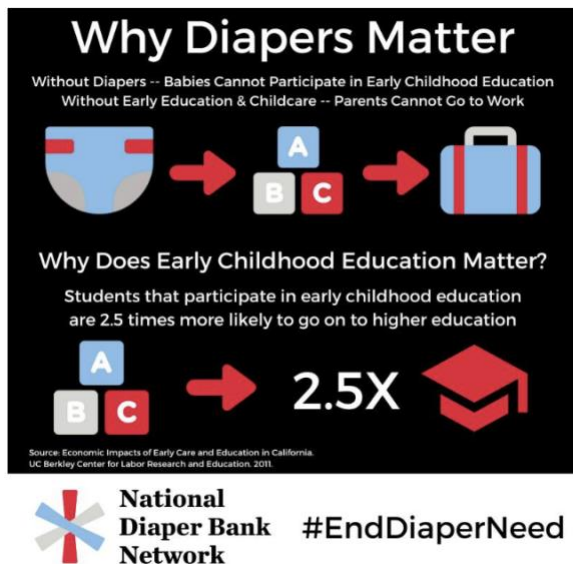


Dear Human Services Community,

I am a pediatrician who works in New Haven, CT and Chair of Advocacy for the CT-American Academy of Pediatrics Chapter which represents over 600 pediatricians in CT.

[One out of two families](#) in the US with young children experience diaper insecurity. Diaper need is associated with medical conditions such as [diaper dermatitis and urinary tract infections](#). [The financial challenges](#) associated with diaper use is stressful for families and can lead to missed work (image). [One out of four parents](#) miss work or school due to diaper need. Further, diaper need has been to be associated with [maternal depression](#).



Elected officials in CT must take action to address diaper insecurity.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please reach out with questions.

Sincerely,

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These are my personal views and do not reflect those of my employer.