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#### PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Board Certification: Pediatrics, American Board of Pediatrics (2024)
- Medical Education: Sidney Kimmel Medical College Thomas Jefferson University (2013) PA
- Board Certification, American Board of Pediatrics , Pediatrics (2018)
- Board Certification: Clinical Genetics, American Board of Medical Genetics and Genomics (2017)
- Fellowship: Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (2017) PA
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### Publications

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