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Bio

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Dr. Karen Bauer is a board certified in both general pediatrics as well as pediatric hospital medicine. She attended medical school at the University of Chicago-Pritzker School of Medicine, serving as her senior class president and graduated with AOA honors in 2009. She completed her pediatric residency at Stanford University in 2012 and was selected to stay for an additional year as a Chief Resident year through 2013.

After her Chief Resident year, she began working at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford (LPCHS), her work home since 2013, as a community pediatric hospitalist for Palo Alto Medical Foundation (PAMF). She works in three practice areas -- the newborn nursery, the intermediate care nursery, and the general pediatric acute care unit. She currently serves as the Department Chair of her pediatric hospitalist team, composed of 12 physicians. In addition to her clinical work, she serves as an Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor in Pediatrics at Stanford School of Medicine.

Beyond her work as a pediatrician and pediatric hospitalist, she serves as the PAMF Associate Medical Director of Peer Support, helping physicians coping with traumatic events. And, she currently serves as a Member-at-Large of the LPCHS Medical Executive Committee and will begin her term as Vice-President of the Medical Staff in September 2026. She has also worked on a variety of projects for LPCHS related to physician and staff wellbeing, one of which is being published in the New England Journal Medicine Catalyst.

She also previously served on the Board of Directors for the San Francisco Firefighter's Cancer Prevention Foundation, which was instrumental in changing consumer laws to remove toxic chemical flame retardants from our household furniture (e.g., mattresses). She continues to serve as a volunteer consultant for this foundation.

CLINICAL FOCUS

- Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine
- General Pediatrics
- Pediatric Hospital Medicine

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Clinical Instructor, Pediatrics - General Pediatrics

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Vice President, LPCHS Medical Staff, Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford, (2026- present)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- LPCH Medical Staff Impact Award, LPCH at Stanford (2025)
- LPCH Dahlia Award, LPCH at Stanford (2024)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Board Certification: Pediatric Hospital Medicine, American Board of Pediatrics (2019)
- Board Certification: Pediatrics, American Board of Pediatrics (2012)
- Residency: Stanford Health Care at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital (2009) CA
- Internship: Stanford Health Care at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital (2009) CA
- Medical Education, The University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine , IL (2005)

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Transforming the Patient Grievance Review Process by Addressing Both Patient and Physician Well-Being.** *NEJM catalyst innovations in care delivery*
  Bauer, K., Aldorfer, B., Baker, J., Lee, G.
  2026; 7 (9): CAT250482
- **New-onset OCD and juvenile enthesitis related arthritis after COVID-19 (Three Cases).** *Developmental neuroscience*
  Saini, T., Ma, M., Sandberg, J., Farhadian, B., Manko, C., Xie, Y., Madan, J., Bauer, K., Tran, P., Frankovich, J.
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