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Bio

BIO

Alok Patel is a pediatric hospitalist, medical journalist, on-camera expert, producer, and devotee of creative, engaging science communication tactics. He is currently working as a special correspondent for ABC7 News Bay Area, medical analyst for WGN-Chicago, and is a regular contributor to other digital and television news outlets. Additionally, he is the co-host of PBS/Nova's "Parentalogic", a parenting-meets-pediatrics, digital, comedy education program, and the host of Nova's science podcast, Nova Now.

Patel worked as a medical producer for CNN, producing two seasons of the medical mystery show, "Something's Killing Me." He also worked on digital health shows for ABC News, New York, and NBC News. He also hosts a popular web series for Medscape, the "Hospitalist Retort", which is a critical review of topics directly affecting hospitalist medicine.

Alongside several other physicians, Patel helped create and now sits on the board of directors for the Association for Healthcare in Social Media, the first 501c-3 dedicated to medical communication on social media platforms. He was also on the founding team of Medumo, a healthcare start-up which automated patient education for treatments and procedures. Medumo was acquired by Philips USA in 2019.

Patel is involved in several advocacy efforts, most notably related to sex-trafficking intervention, mental health education, and addressing science misinformation.

CLINICAL FOCUS

- Pediatrics
- Public Health Advocacy
- Journalism
- Digital Health

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Clinical Instructor, Pediatrics

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Board Certification: Pediatrics, American Board of Pediatrics (2015)
- Residency: University of Washington Pediatric Residency (2015) WA
- Medical Education: University of Arizona College of Medicine Office of the Registrar (2012) AZ

LINKS

- ABC News Correspondent: <https://abc7news.com/coronavirus-doctor-interview-dr-alok-patel-doctors-note-update/6090843/>
- Nova Now Podcast Host: <https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/podcast/>
- "Parentalogue" Co-Host: <https://www.pbs.org/show/parentalogue/>
- Hospitalist Web Series Host: https://www.medscape.com/index/section_10445_0