



# AzAAP Pediatric Council

## Medical Home Statistics

including AzAAP 2008 Membership Survey

### Some Medical Home Statistics

- More than 55% of ER visits are for minor problems that could be treated at the PCP office.
- Excess charges for non-urgent care in the ER add about \$5 to \$7 BILLION to the nation's annual health care bill.
- Finding a way to provide non-urgent health care access to patients who overuse the ER or Urgent Care Clinic is a national healthcare priority.
- ER costs per visit are generally 3 times higher than in the outpatient clinic.  
(AHRQ March 2007)
- Expenditures for visits to pediatricians comprised a disproportionately low share of total expenditures by the insurance companies for office based care (9.2% of visits versus 5.8% of the expenses).  
(AHRQ March 2007)
- Access to health care providers affects emergency department use.  
If providers are not accessible, people are more likely to use emergency departments.
- Over 20% of ER visits are for children 0-14 yrs old.  
(2006 Document abstract)
- 11.5% of children (0-14 yrs old) seen in the ER were seen from 6pm to 8pm.  
(2006 document abstract. Agency for Health Care Administration)

	<b>OFFICE</b>	<b>UCC</b>	<b>ER</b>
Common Cold	\$80	\$100	\$181
Sore Throat	\$109	\$100	\$406
Ear Ache	\$80	\$111	\$151
Avg Cost /visit	\$121	\$194	\$560
Median Cost/visit	\$63		\$299



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TOTAL RESPONDENTS: 124

**What additional payment per office visit would you have to be paid in order to make it very likely that you actually would expand your office hours?**

**Do not tell us what you think you should be paid or what you would like to be paid, but how much it would really take for you to expand your hours.**

	Response Percent	Response Count
\$10-\$20	1.6%	2
\$20-\$40	21.8%	27
<b>\$40-\$60</b>	<b>30.6%</b>	<b>38</b>
\$60-\$100	15.3%	19
More than \$100	4.8%	6
I would not consider increasing my hours	25.8%	32