

## **President**



**Candidate:** Thresia B. Gambon, MD, MBA, MPH, FAAP

**Primary City of Practice:** Hialeah, Florida

### **Statement of Interest/Bio:**

Dr. Thresia B. Gambon is a pediatrician who has been practicing in Miami for over 20 years. Her ability to speak Spanish fluently has helped her succeed in her career. She works at Citrus Health Network in Hialeah, Florida, which is a healthcare system that includes community health centers (FQHC's) that specializes in behavioral and medical care to mental health patients, foster care children, and victims of sex trafficking, and routine well child care. Dr. Gambon provides outpatient pediatric care and medical care for teenagers admitted to the long term residential psychiatric program. Dr. Gambon is voluntary faculty for Florida International University and teaches with the General Psychiatry and Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship programs. Her background is mixed, with a parent from the Caribbean. She is fully bilingual in English and Spanish.

Previously, Dr. Gambon worked at the Miami-Dade County hospital, Jackson Health System (JHS) and the University of Miami. She was active faculty, providing clinical and didactic instruction to residents and medical students. Dr. Gambon worked in administration as a Medical Director for several years with oversight of JHS outpatient medical services.

Dr. Gambon has a long history of providing care to the underserved and marginalized populations in Miami-Dade. She is actively engaged in the community and has served on the Children's Trust, the local children services council. Throughout her career, she has been involved in local task forces and collaborations to improve care in a county that carries a high burden of uninsured and undocumented patients, including working closely with the health department to increase vaccination rates and dental services.

Dr. Gambon's involvement with the Florida Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics began in 2002 when she served as an alternate and then regional representative. She then became involved at the national level serving on the AAP Council of Community Pediatrics and the Committee of Psychosocial Aspects of the Child and Family. A previous CATCH grant recipient, she volunteered to be the Florida Chapter CATCH grant facilitator and served in that role from 2011-2020. She served on the Membership Committee and the School and Mental Health Task Force. Dr. Gambon has been a Reach Out and Read champion for over 20 years!

Dr. Gambon is willing to serve as president for the Florida Chapter and feels she can contribute her skills of organization, advocacy, and leadership. In the past two years she served as Treasurer and

subsequently Vice President of the Florida Chapter. She was the Legislative Committee Chair for the 2022 Legislative Session, and she is a member of the Child Abuse and Injury Prevention Committee and the Immigrant Health Task Force. Her main areas of interest are in health care access, vaccination, adolescent gynecology, and behavioral health integration. She is engaged in a variety of roles in her local community and wants to work to improve the health of children and families in Florida, while also focusing on the well-being of pediatricians.