

(WILMINGTON, Del., Sept. 1, 2023) — Nemours Children's Health, Delaware Valley is proud to announce that Jonathan Miller, MD, Chief of Primary Care, has been selected as the only *Immunization Champion* for Delaware. The Immunization Champion Award, hosted by the Association of Immunization Managers (AIM) and funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), recognizes individuals who are doing an exemplary job or going above and beyond to promote or foster immunizations in their communities for children and adults.

Dr. Miller was nominated and selected from a pool of health professionals, community advocates and other immunization leaders for making a significant contribution to public health in pediatric primary care through his work in the quality improvement initiatives of a variety of vaccinations, including Influenza, Pneumococcal, HPV and COVID-19.

He is known as an expert on vaccine confidence and hesitancy, giving regional talks on strategies to optimize communication with patients and families. He has recently conducted community-engaged research to develop culturally appropriate approaches to improving COVID-19 vaccine uptake, resulting in several publications on disparities and ways to mitigate them. As an advocate, Dr. Miller is the Vice President of the Delaware Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics and has collaborated with the state's Vaccines for Children program to improve processes for pediatricians.

"I am truly honored to be included among this elite group," Dr. Miller said. "Vaccines have proven to be among the most important public health interventions we have, so advocacy, research and clinical strategies to improve immunization are crucial for the health and well-being of all children."

When families, healthcare professionals and public health officials work together, more people can be protected from serious and deadly vaccine-preventable diseases. To read Dr. Miller's profile on the AIM website, and to learn more about AIM's Champion Award program, please visit [Champion Awards - Association of Immunization Managers](#).

About Nemours Children's Health

Nemours Children's Health is one of the nation's largest multistate pediatric health systems, which includes two free-standing children's hospitals and a network of more than 70 primary and specialty care practices. Nemours Children's seeks to transform the health of children by adopting a holistic health model that utilizes innovative, safe, and high-quality care, while also caring for the health of the whole child beyond medicine. Nemours Children's also powers the world's most-visited website for information on the health of children and teens, [Nemours KidsHealth.org](#).

The Nemours Foundation, established through the legacy and philanthropy of Alfred I. duPont, provides pediatric clinical care, research, education, advocacy, and prevention programs to the children, families and communities it serves. For more information, visit [Nemours.org](#)

About the AIM Immunization Champion Award

The Immunization Champion Award recognizes individuals who are doing an exemplary job or going above and beyond to promote or foster immunizations in their communities for children and adults. When nominating and selecting their Champion, immunization programs will base their nominations on candidates meeting one or more of the following criteria: leadership, collaboration, innovation, and advocacy. Visit the AIM website to learn more about the Immunization Champion Award and stay up-to-date with announcements. If you have any questions, please email champions@immunizationmanagers.org.