

PEDIATRIC FIRESTORM TEAM (PFire)

Protecting Children's Health Before, During, and After Wildland–Urban Interface (WUI) Disasters

Who We Are

The Pediatric Firestorm TEAM (PFire) is a transdisciplinary collaborative dedicated to advancing children's health in the face of the growing impacts of wildfires and Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) disasters.

Founded in 2025, PFire brings together pediatric clinicians, researchers, environmental and planetary scientists, engineers, public health professionals, educators, policymakers, community organizations, students, and families to develop evidence-based solutions that improve preparedness, response, recovery, and long-term resilience for children and communities.

Our work recognizes that protecting children's health requires more than clinical care, it requires collaboration across disciplines and meaningful partnerships with the communities we serve.

Our Mission

The Pediatric Firestorm TEAM advances a transdisciplinary movement to protect children's health in the wildfire era. We unite pediatric clinicians, environmental and planetary scientists, engineers, public health experts, policymakers, community organizations, and families to confront the growing health threats posed by wildfire and climate-driven disasters.

Working in partnership with aligned institutions and community leaders, we co-develop research, clinical innovations, and practical solutions that reduce risk, strengthen preparedness, and improve outcomes for vulnerable children.

Guided by the voices and lived experiences of affected communities, we transform scientific discovery into equitable policies, clinical tools, education, and advocacy with the goal of building resilient communities and a healthier planet for the next generation.

Our Areas of Focus

- Pediatric wildfire and WUI disaster research
- Clinical innovation and evidence translation
- Environmental and planetary health
- Community-engaged research
- Disaster preparedness and recovery
- Education and professional development
- Public policy and advocacy
- Youth, family, and community partnerships

Pediatric Health on a Burning Planet - 2026 Conference
Research • Resilience • Recovery

PFire hosts an annual transdisciplinary working conference that brings together healthcare professionals, scientists, engineers, public health experts, educators, policymakers, community leaders, students, and families to address one of the most urgent public health challenges of our time.

Unlike traditional conferences, **Pediatric Health on a Burning Planet** is designed to generate actionable solutions through collaborative discussions, research development, clinical innovation, community engagement, and policy recommendations.

- **Saturday, November 21, 2026**
- Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA)
- Hybrid (In-person & Virtual)
- Free
- Save-the-Date (see attached)

Join Our Monthly Meetings

PFire welcomes individuals who share our commitment to improving children's health and community resilience.

General PFire TEAM Meetings

- First Friday of each month
- 7:00–8:00 AM (Pacific Time)
- Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86370268599?pwd=Y8sorndJ27CL8NNNcJmyHvhu2D4bTc.1>

Topics include:

- Research updates
- Grant development
- Community partnerships
- Advocacy and policy
- Educational initiatives
- Conference planning
- Opportunities for collaboration

Leadership and committee meetings are held the 3rd Friday of the month.

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- Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85791123333?pwd=tokRWIoF8MwVEUEhC7UYQcdtL8CdU2.1>

Get Involved

Whether you are a clinician, scientist, student, educator, engineer, policymaker, community advocate, parent, or any community member, there is a place for you within **Pediatric Firestorm TEAM**.

A Transdisciplinary Collaborative Advancing Pediatric Health Before, During, and After Wildland–Urban Interface (WUI) Disasters

Together, we are building a collaborative movement dedicated to protecting children through **research, education, clinical innovation, advocacy, and community partnership.**

Connect With Us



Website: <https://aapca2.org/pfire/>



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(2026 Research-Resilience-Recovery)



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