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“Every child needs a strong foundation to ensure a healthy life, and pediatric research has taught us what we know about what makes children thrive. The American Academy of Pediatrics commends Rep. Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.) and Rep. Lois Capps (D-Calif.) for championing an important research provision for children in the *21st Century Cures Act*. By ensuring that children are counted and included in National Institutes of Health research, Reps. Blackburn and Capps also ensure that children benefit from new medical advances and cures discovered through this research. Their recommendations make the entire process more transparent and give children the best possible chance to grow up healthy.”

~ Sandra G. Hassink, MD, FAAP, President, American Academy of Pediatrics

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