

## AAP policy calls for response to effects of armed conflict on children

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**Editor's note:** *The 2018 AAP National Conference & Exhibition will take place from Nov. 2-6 in Orlando.*

The AAP released its first-ever policy statement and technical report on children and armed conflict today, offering guidance for clinical health professionals, systems serving children exposed to armed conflict and political advocacy.

*The Effects of Armed Conflict on Children*, from the Section on International Child Health, is available at <https://doi.org/10.1542/peds.2018-2585> (policy) and <https://doi.org/10.1542/peds.2018-2586> (technical report).

Based on human rights principles, the policy provides a basic set of minimum standard recommendations, resources for clinicians, other policy statements, legal topics, a list of nongovernmental organizations and other documents.

The technical report synthesizes the available knowledge as a starting point for understanding and dialogue about the issues facing children affected by conflict and how the pediatric and world community must respond.

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