Pediatrics Cover Letter

To the Editors of *Pediatrics*;

Our work is a response to a “Persepectives” piece published in *Pediatrics* entitled, “Long-Term Care for Children With Medical Complexity: A Call for Data” (2022 Jun 1;149(6)). Despite the growing population of children with medical complexity who are technology dependent and require daily intensive care, little is known about the care this population receives outside an acute hospitalization. In their article, Alon et al (2022) identified that even the most basic data regarding pediatric post-acute care, such as the number of facilities and locations, and proportion of CMC residents is lacking.

We begin to address the research gap by identifying and mapping post-acute care facilities for pediatric patients across the United States. To our knowledge, we present the first attempt at this process. We hope that in making our database publicly accessible, we will encourage the post-acute care community to contribute to and update our information as we attempt to understand pediatric post-acute care supply and demand.

This data has not been submitted or published elsewhere. All authors are responsible for this research and have participated in the concept and design, analysis and interpretation of data, and drafting or revising of the manuscript, and that they have approved the manuscript as submitted.

We hope you enjoy this research brief and welcome your comments.

Sincerely,

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