

Josh Honaker Biography

Joshua T. Honaker, MD, MBA, FAAP, is a Board-Certified Pediatrician and serial entrepreneur. He has a unique portfolio of healthcare experiences in private practice, academics, corporate, and consulting.

After completing his Bachelor's degree in Biology and Chemistry at Western Kentucky University in 1994, he went to the University of Louisville School of Medicine prior to completing his pediatric residency training at Kosair Children's Hospital. He then went into private practice at Oldham County Pediatrics, which he co-founded in 2001. During the rapid growth of the practice, he also served as the part-time Chief Medical Officer for Baptist Health LaGrange (2007-09), President of the Ky Chapter of the AAP, and Assistant Residency Program Director at the U of L Department of Pediatrics.

In 2009, he was invited to serve as the Chief of General Pediatrics at the U of L Department of Pediatrics in a division with 50 Pediatricians. In conjunction with this role, he also served as the Co-Chief of Clinical Operations Officer of the Department of Pediatrics with 200 providers. During his role as President of the Medical Staff in 2011 at the Children's Hospital, he was then invited to serve as the VP Medical Director of the Norton Physician Services with 400 providers, which later became the Norton Medical Group. From 2013- 2018, he also served as the VP of Operations for Pediatrics, Adult Primary Care, ICCs, and Women's in conjunction with his Medical Director role. From 2018–2021, he served as the Chief Medical Administrative Officer of the Norton Medical Group, with oversight of 1700 providers, until his departure in May of 2021 to pursue an entrepreneurial pathway.

It was at this junction in his career that he started Honaker Health, LLC and ParentMD, LLC. In 2023, he engaged with Ancore Health as a consultant and now serves as the Chief Medical Officer. In 2024, he started Direct Pediatrics, the first direct primary care office for pediatrics in Kentucky. In 2025, OccMed Physicians was co-founded to support occupational health in the Kentuckiana region. He is married to Michelle, and they have 2 grown sons, Jordan and Tyler. He resides in Louisville, KY. In his free time, he enjoys the outdoors and spending time with family and friends.