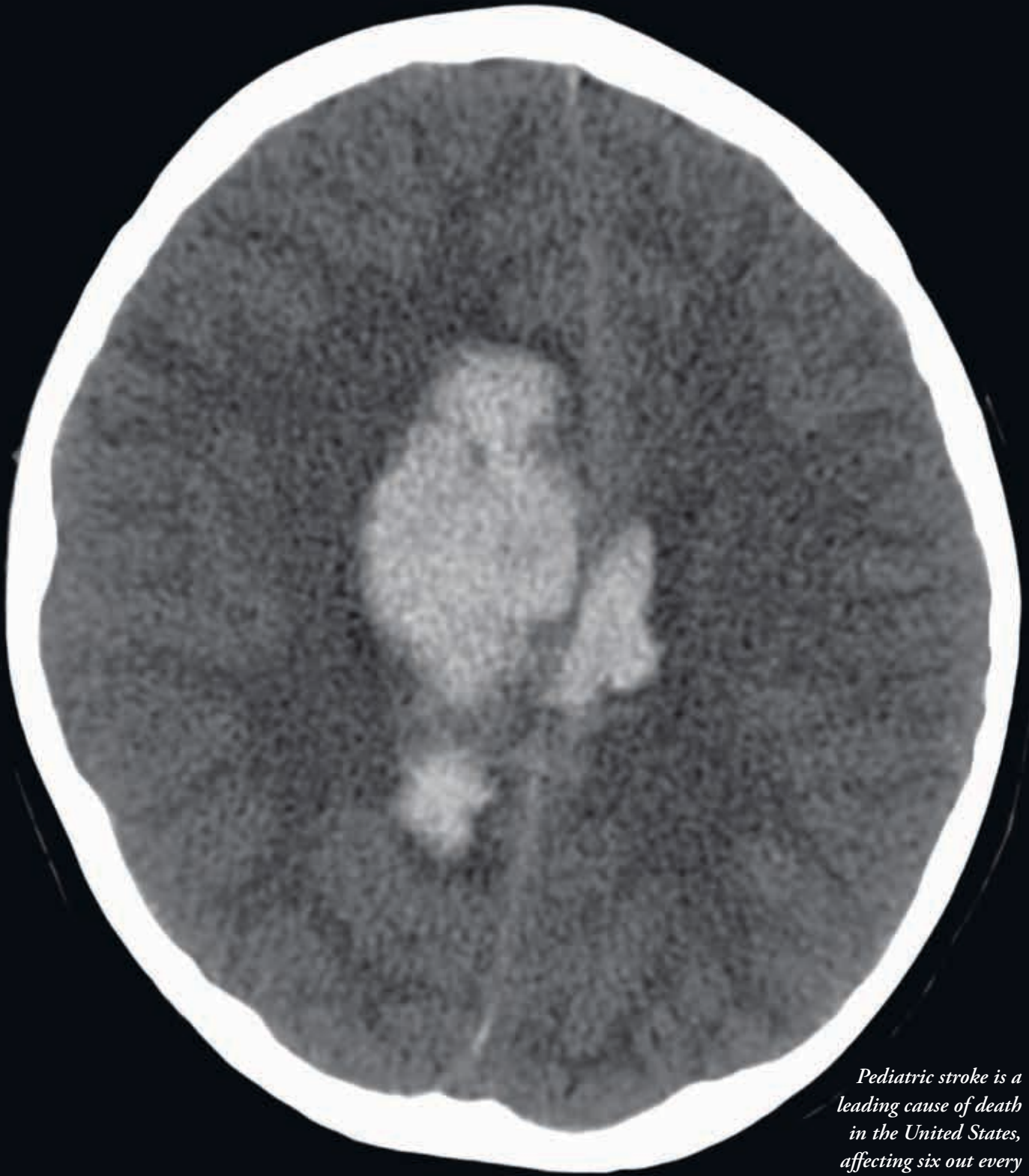


The best outcome means allowing each child to reach their fullest potential as human beings. Optimal treatment of their medical condition is important, but we also need to make certain that each patient and each family has the information and support they need to fully engage with life. Twenty years ago, our primary focus was on the child's therapy. Now we also look at how they function within society - a much more holistic perspective.

*– E. Steve Roach, MD*  
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# Neurosciences



*Pediatric stroke is a leading cause of death in the United States, affecting six out every 100,000 children.*

## NEUROSCIENCES



### Researchers Develop Tool to Measure Long-Term Outcomes of Pediatric Stroke

A study of a new questionnaire developed by neurologists at Nationwide Children's Hospital suggests it could help researchers collect valuable data on outcomes of pediatric stroke that the existing assessment tool misses. The new tool makes it possible to collect information on patients' post-stroke

functioning over the telephone instead of in person, which could expand scientists' understanding of the long-term impact of pediatric stroke, says **Warren D. Lo, MD**, director of the Stroke and Vascular Anomalies Clinic at Nationwide Children's, architect of the questionnaire and lead author of the study.

For years, the only tool available for measuring post-stroke functioning was the Pediatric Stroke Outcome Measure, which must be administered during patients' follow-up visits. Many stroke patients are unable to return for those follow ups, meaning that important data from those cases was lost. The new survey, called the Recurrence and Recovery Questionnaire (RRQ), includes 13 questions modeled after the existing assessment tool but designed to be delivered via a telephone interview.

To study the new survey's performance, Dr. Lo and colleagues administered both surveys to 232 children who had suffered a stroke and their caregivers. When they compared the results, the researchers found that the surveys resulted in similar patient outcomes data. While the new questionnaire wouldn't replace the existing assessment tool, the researchers say it provides a valid means for collecting data from patients that might otherwise be lost.

"A problem with collecting longitudinal outcome data is that patients may not show as scheduled for follow-up visits and that outcome information would normally be lost. The RRQ should enable investigators to fill in that missing information," says Dr. Lo, an attending pediatric neurologist at Nationwide Children's. "We have applied this tool in our own studies of pediatric stroke outcomes, and we have been able to capture information that would otherwise have been very difficult to acquire."

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## Department, Section, and Program Reports

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### NEUROLOGY

The Section of Neurology at Nationwide Children's Hospital provides inpatient and outpatient care for children with a wide variety of neurological and neuromuscular diseases, along with state-of-the-art neurophysiologic testing and intraoperative monitoring. Through a combination of clinical expertise and outstanding research talent, the Neurology Division provides team-based diagnosis and treatment for children with neurological disorders.

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### **Sub-Specialty Neurology Services**

The neurology and ophthalmology divisions at Nationwide Children's are home to the first specialty clinic for the care of children with pseudotumor cerebri, an increasingly recognized treatable cause of visual loss, headache, and other symptoms. This busy new clinic attracts patients from across the country.

Partnering with the Division of Genetics, the division provides specialized care for children with tuberous sclerosis complex and the formation of the country's first Center of Excellence for Batten Disease. The division offers a comprehensive program for children with epilepsy, including clinics for both medical and surgical epilepsy as well as a recently-developed clinic for the rapid assessment of children with new-onset seizures. A number of children are treated in the Ketogenic Diet Clinic. The epilepsy surgery program was expanded in 2009 and has provided successful surgical therapy to children with medically intractable epileptic seizures.

The Stroke and Vascular Anomalies Clinic at Nationwide Children's offers a comprehensive and multidisciplinary evaluation to all children with stroke or those who are at risk for stroke. The Neuromuscular Disease Clinic provides comprehensive clinical care and consultation for children with genetic or acquired nerve and muscle disease in conjunction with investigators in the Center for Gene Therapy, who are focusing on molecular and genetic therapies for these disorders.

The division's Neuromuscular Clinic provides care for children with a wide array of hereditary and acquired neuromuscular diseases. The division also offers a neonatal neurology program, providing specialized inpatient consultation services and outpatient follow-up of premature infants.

### **Education and Training**

Nationwide Children's Child Neurology Residency Program, certified by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME), continues to attract excellent residents. The Division of Neurology also offers fellowship training in clinical neurophysiology and neuromuscular disease. Our faculty continues to

contribute to the field by publishing journal articles and textbooks, especially related to the management of stroke in children, neuromuscular disease, and pediatric epilepsy. Faculty members also continue to serve as leaders of societies dedicated to pediatric neurology.

### **Center for Gene Therapy**

Physician-scientists and principal investigators in the Center for Gene Therapy at The Research Institute at Nationwide Children's employ molecular approaches, gene therapy, and cell-based therapeutics for prevention and treatment of neuromuscular and neurodegenerative diseases, lysosomal storage disorders, ischemia and reperfusion injury, neonatal hypertension, cancer, and infectious diseases. A primary focus of the Center for Gene Therapy is curing muscular dystrophies. Our faculty scientists are developing animal models of neuromuscular diseases, identifying gene-delivery strategies that cross the blood-brain barrier, and offering clinical trials, including the first human gene therapy trial for Duchenne muscular dystrophy, and a phase I clinical trial to target limb-girdle muscular dystrophy type 2D. The center is also leading the first national muscular dystrophy newborn screening study.

The Center for Gene Therapy's efforts led to a \$7 million grant from the National Institutes of Health to designate Nationwide Children's Hospital as a Paul D. Wellstone Muscular Dystrophy Cooperative Research Center. Center Director Jerry R. Mendell, MD, is the chair of the Wellstone Steering Committee. The designation as a Wellstone Center helps our investigators identify the prevalence and mechanism of immunity to gene delivery in muscular dystrophy and develop strategies to bypass these and other challenges.

An on-site, certified Good Manufacturing Practices facility that expedites and strengthens translational neuromuscular research at Nationwide Children's allows investigators to create clinical-grade viral vectors for use in pediatric clinical trials.

Within the past five years, researchers in the Center for Gene Therapy have been awarded multimillion dollar grants from the National Institutes of Health, and published key articles in high-impact journals such as *Cell*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *Annals of Neurology*, and *Nature*. The Muscular Dystrophy Association named Nationwide Children's Hospital to its Clinical Research Network in 2008.

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### Chicoine, Louis

*Local Intravascular Delivery of Follistatin Gene Therapy for Muscular Dystrophy*

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### Flanigan, Kevin

*Exon Skipping as a Treatment for Duplication Mutations in DMD*

CureDuchenne  
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*MPS III Natural History*

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*A Phase 3 Efficacy and Safety Study of Ataluren in Patients With Nonsense Mutation* Industry

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### Harper, Scott

*DUX4 and the P53 Pathway in FSHD Pathogenesis*

National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
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*DUX4 Inhibition as a Therapeutic Strategy for FSHD*

National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)  
\$162,900

*Development of an Inducible FSHD Model*

Muscular Dystrophy Association  
\$99,222

### Kaspar, Brian

*Translating a CSF Delivered AAV9-SMN for Treatment of Spinal Muscular Atrophy*

National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
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\$1,459,274

*Role of Potent Trophic Factors on Glia and Motor Neurons in ALS*

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\$308,700

*IND Enabling Studies for a CNS Delivered Gene Therapy for SMA*

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*A New DMD Model With a Humanized Glycome*

National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
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*Translational Studies of GALGT2 Gene Therapy for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy*

Department of Defense  
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*A Myotube-Specific Deletion Model For Sarcopenia*

National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS)  
\$146,610

*Protein-Based GALGT2 Therapies For Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy*

Muscular Dystrophy Association  
\$132,000

### McCarty, Douglas

*Self-complementary rAAV9 Systemic Gene Delivery Treatment for MPS Type IIIA*

National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)  
\$218,250

*Self-complementary rAAV9 Systemic Gene Delivery Treatment for MPS Type IIIA*

National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)  
\$163,688

### Mendell, Jerry

*Overcoming Immune Barriers to Gene Correction for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy*

National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
National Institute of Child Health & Human Development (NICHD)  
\$1,580,238

*Follistatin Gene Therapy to Improve Quadriceps Muscle Strength*

Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy  
\$144,356

*Pediatric Toxicity and Efficacy in Long-term Systemic Treatment With Anti-Sense: A Case*

*Study of Personalized Medicine*  
Childrens Research Institute at Childrens National Medical Center  
National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
\$76,229

*Pediatric Toxicity and Efficacy in Long-Term Systemic Treatment With Anti-Sense: A Case*

*Study of Personalized Medicine*  
Childrens Research Institute at Childrens National Medical Center  
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\$74,249

*Intracoronary Artery Gene Therapy in the MDX*

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### Pakalnis, Ann

*Study Drug in the Prevention of Childhood Migraine*

Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center  
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### Rodino-Klapac, Louise

*$\beta$ -Sarcoglycan Gene Transfer for Treatment of Limb Girdle Muscular Dystrophy Type 2E*

Gonella Family  
\$1,322,500

*AAV5-Dysferlin Gene Therapy as a Treatment for Dysferlinopathies*

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## FAST FACTS

July 2012 – June 2013

Total Discharges: 1,193

Inpatient Discharges: 1,038

Observation and Outpatient-in-a-Bed Discharges: 155

Total Patient Days\*: 2,333

Average Length of Stay\*: 2.2

Average Daily Census\*: 6.4

Inpatient Consults: 683

Total Clinic Visits: 13,848

Dublin Neurology Clinic Visits: 3,304

East Broad Neurology Clinic Visits: 389

Ironton Neurology Clinic Visits: 131

Mansfield Neurology Clinic Visits: 71

Neurology Clinic Visits: 9,155

Westerville Neurology Clinic Visits: 496

Springfield Neurology Clinic Visits: 54

Stroke Clinic Visits: 248

## Neuromuscular

Total Clinic Visits: 1,447

MDA Clinic Visits: 586

Westerville Neuromuscular Disorders Clinic Visits: 613

Neuromuscular Disorders Clinic Visits: 248

\*Excludes Observation and Outpatient-in-a-Bed Cases.

## Department, Section, and Program Reports

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### NEUROSURGERY

Ranked among the top programs in the country by *U.S. News & World Report*, the Division of Pediatric Neurosurgery at Nationwide Children's Hospital provides evaluation and treatment for problems of the central nervous system in patients from birth through 21 years of age and in selected adults with congenital neurological disorders. The staff works closely with members of the departments of anesthesia, hematology/oncology/BMT, neurology, physical medicine and rehabilitation, pediatric surgery, plastic and reconstructive surgery, and other pediatric disciplines.

#### STAFF PHYSICIANS AND FACULTY

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*Assistant Professor of Neurological Surgery*

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John M. McGregor, MD  
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*Professor of Neurological Surgery*  
Ciaran J. Powers, MD, PhD  
*Assistant Professor of Neurological Surgery*  
Eric Sauvageau, MD  
*Associate Professor of Neurological Surgery*

Conditions treated include aneurysms, arteriovenous malformations, Chiari malformations, brain and spine tumors, cavernous angiomas, congenital abnormalities, craniosynostosis and craniofacial abnormalities, hydrocephalus, neurological trauma, neurological birth defects, spina bifida, tethered spinal cord, complex spinal disorders, complex vascular disorders and stroke, surgical treatment of epilepsy, and the surgical treatment of spasticity.

The state-of-the-art neurosurgical operating rooms provide neurosurgeons with cutting-edge surgical facilities. Operating rooms include those that are equipped with intraoperative MRI, advanced neurosurgical microscope systems, and stereotactic intraoperative image guidance. These advanced technologies allow patients undergoing surgery for brain tumors and epilepsy to benefit from enhanced guidance for surgeons, including MRI studies performed during the operation, allowing the neurosurgeon to confirm

complete resection of the abnormal tissue without the need for an additional operation at a later date.

Between July 2012 and June 2013, the Division of Pediatric Neurosurgery performed 542 surgical procedures and saw 3,157 clinic visits. A national search for a new chief of neurosurgery is underway. The division also consists of the following pediatric clinical neurosurgeons:

- Ronald Grondin, MD, received certification from the American Board of Pediatric Neurosurgery in June 2012. His clinical interests include the surgical treatment of epilepsy, advanced endoscopy for the management of hydrocephalus, craniosynostosis, and skull base tumors, as well as surgical management of spinal trauma and congenital cervical spinal deformity.
- Lance Governale, MD, whose clinical interests include minimally invasive neurosurgery (including endoscopic treatment of hydrocephalus, craniosynostosis, pituitary disease, and skull base disease), brain/spinal cord tumors, arachnoid cysts, and cavernous malformations.

In addition, the following surgeons, with primary appointments with The Ohio State University Department of Neurosurgery, provide specialized care for our pediatric neurosurgical patients:

- Ehud Mendel, MD, provides expertise in the areas of complex spinal surgery and the surgery for spinal tumors.
- Ciaran Powers, MD, specializes in the surgical and endovascular treatment of complex cerebrovascular disorders and stroke.
- Eric Sauvageau, MD, specializes in the surgical and endovascular treatment of complex cerebrovascular disorders and stroke.

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## FAST FACTS

July 2012 – June 2013

Total Discharges: 418

Inpatient Discharges: 384

Observation and Outpatient-in-a-Bed Discharges: 34

Total Patient Days\*: 1,856

Average Length of Stay\*: 4.8

Average Daily Census\*: 5.1

Total Surgical Procedures: 579

Neurosurgery Clinic Visits: 3,157

\* Excludes Observation and Outpatient-in-a-Bed Cases.