

Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation



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The Nationwide Children's Hospital Section of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation offers comprehensive services for inpatient pediatric rehabilitation care and outpatient evaluation and management of physical and cognitive impairments. A physiatrist is a physician specializing in physical medicine and rehabilitation. Physiatrists treat a wide range of problems from brain injuries to spinal cord injuries. These specialists focus on treating the medical concerns associated with the physical impairment as well as working to restore function to people. Pediatric Physiatrists help care for children with conditions such as cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, amputation, myelomeningocele, spinal cord injury and head injuries.

Outpatient clinic services include general evaluation and management, electro-diagnosis, wheelchair/seating evaluation, bracing/prosthetic evaluation, concussion, rehabilitation follow-up and spasticity management (Botox and Baclofen pump).

The Rehabilitation Program features a 10-bed unit, which is accredited by the Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission (CARF) as a Pediatric Family Centered (PFC) Rehab program. As a leader in pediatric rehabilitation, we receive admissions from nearly one-third of Ohio's 88 counties, as well as from surrounding states. Our program was the first pediatric CARF-accredited inpatient rehabilitation unit in Ohio.

In central Ohio, we are the only hospital that is ACS-verified as a Level I Trauma Center with an inpatient PFC Rehabilitation program accredited by CARF. We serve children and adolescents who have experienced some loss in cognitive or physical function as a result of an illness or injury. The mission of the Rehabilitation Program is to provide comprehensive family-centered rehabilitative services to meet the physical, developmental, social, psychological and educational needs of the patients/families. Our largest patient population is traumatic and non-traumatic brain injury with other populations including neurological, spinal cord injuries, stroke and spasticity management. Ages served range from 1 to 20 years of age with the average age being 9 years old. The Rehab Team is a dynamic group of individuals working with the patient/family as the center. The team is directed by the Pediatric Physiatrist and Rehabilitation Registered Nurse. Other disciplines include Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Speech Language Pathologists, Therapeutic Recreational Specialists, Massage Therapists, Rehab Psychologists, Neuropsychologists, Rehabilitation Case Manager, School/EI Teacher, Social Worker, Child Life Specialists and a Clinical Nutritionist. This multidisciplinary team is committed to providing comprehensive, quality health care to children and adolescents through coordinated programs of rehabilitation, patient care, education and research.

Clinical, Teaching and Research Interests

Michelle A. Miller, MD, FAAPMR, is Section Chief of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at Nationwide Children's Hospital and an Assistant Professor of Clinical Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. She also is a Diplomate of ABEM (American Board of Electrodiagnostic Medicine) and is the secretary of the Pediatric Special Interest Group of the AAPMR. Dr. Miller developed the section's Baclofen Pump Program. She is subspecialty trained in both pediatric and traumatic brain injury. Dr. Miller's research has focused on brain injury, including outcomes after acquired brain injury, rehab interventions and epidemiology and pathophysiology.

Rosalind J. Batley, MD, FAAP, FAAPMR, FAANEM, is a member of the Section of Physical Medicine and

Rehabilitation at Nationwide Children's Hospital and an Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics and Clinical Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. Dr. Batley's clinical interests include managing a comprehensive inpatient pediatric family-centered rehabilitation unit; inpatient consultation; outpatient evaluation and management of children/adolescents with physically disabling conditions; bracing, prosthetic, wheelchair and seating evaluation and prescription; electrodiagnosis; and Baclofen pump management.

Albert C. Clairmont, MD, FAAPMR, FAANEM, is a member of the Section of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at Nationwide Children's Hospital and an Associate Professor of Clinical Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. His clinical interests include electrodiagnostic medicine and spasticity management.

Ernest W. Johnson, MD, FAAPMR, FAANEM, is a member of the Section of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at Nationwide Children's Hospital and a Professor Emeritus of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. Dr. Johnson's clinical interests include pediatric electromyography. He has published extensively in the area of electrodiagnostic medicine.

Ellen S. Kaitz, MD, FAAPMR, is the Director of the Pediatric Rehabilitation Medicine Fellowship Program at Nationwide Children's Hospital and an Assistant Professor of Clinical Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. She is subspecialty certified in Pediatric Rehabilitation Medicine by the American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. Her clinical activities include inpatient, outpatient and consultative services for children with physically disabling conditions. Her particular areas of interest focus on spasticity management and spinal cord injuries in children, and her research includes the use of the agitated behavior scale in children and conversion disorders in children and adolescents.

Karl Klamar, MD, FAAPMR, is a member of the Section of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at Nationwide Children's Hospital and an Assistant Professor of Clinical Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. His clinical and research interests are centered on brain injury and, in particular, on mild brain injuries and concussion. Other interests include spasticity management and neuro-ophthalmology.

William S. Pease, MD, FAAPMR, FAANEM, is a member of the Section of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at Nationwide Children's Hospital and Chairman of and Professor in the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. Dr. Pease's clinical interests include pediatric electromyography. His research has focused on electromyography and gait analysis after stroke.

Publications

Batley RJ. Pediatric Considerations in Electromyography. In: Johnson's Practical Electromyography, (Pease WS, Lew HL, Johnson EW, eds.) Lippincott, Williams & Wilkins, 2007.

Presentations and Teaching Activities

Michelle A. Miller, MD, FAAPMR

Pediatric Pearls, American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation 68th Annual Assembly, Boston, Massachusetts, September 2007

Awards and Honors

Rosalind J. Batley, MD, FAAP, FAAPMR, FAANEM
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Fast Facts

Inpatient Discharges: 88

Observation Discharges: 5

Total Discharges: 93

Average Length of Stay*: 26.1

Average Daily Census*: 6.3

Patient Days*: 2,295

Inpatient Consults: 335

Physical Medicine Clinic Visits: 4,373

Myelomeningocele (Spina Bifida) Clinic Visits: 556

Number of Beds: 10

*Excludes observation patients