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NEWS YOU CAN USE



Catherine Krawczeski, MD, Named Chief Medical Officer and Physician-in-Chief

Catherine Krawczeski, MD, the hospital's physician-in-chief since 2022, will now also serve as Nationwide Children's chief medical officer. Dr. Krawczeski will continue in her positions as physician-in-chief and chief of the Department of Pediatrics at Nationwide Children's, and chair of Pediatrics at The Ohio State University College of Medicine.

In this newly combined role, Dr. Krawczeski will continue to develop physician leaders while ensuring the overall quality of medical services and providing both the clinical and academic perspectives to support the hospital's vision and strategy.



2024 Physician Recognition Awards

Nationwide Children's and the Medical Staff Office cordially invite you and your guest to join us for this special

event as we celebrate the accomplishments of our fellow physicians and welcome new members of the medical staff. Plan to join this special celebration as this year marks the 25th year for the Career Contribution Awards.

Wednesday, September 25 | Stecker Auditorium
4:30 p.m. Social Hour | 5:30 p.m. Program Begins

2024 Bruce P. Meyer, MD, Family Art of Medicine Award Recipients

Richard S. Cartabuke, MD | *Anesthesiology & Pain Medicine*
Kent W. Doherty, DO | *Community Pediatrics*

2024 Golden Stethoscope Award Recipients

Richard P. Golden, MD | *Ophthalmology*
Edward J. Oberle, MD | *Pediatric Rheumatology*
Markita L. Suttle, MD | *Pediatric Critical Care Medicine*
Janice A. Townsend, DDS | *Pediatric Dentistry*
Patrick C. Walz, MD | *Otolaryngology*

2024 Career Contribution Award Recipients

Charles Elmaraghy, MD | *Otolaryngology*
Michelle A. Miller, MD | *Physical Medicine*
Daniel J. Scherzer, MD | *Emergency Medicine*

In addition to recognizing our honorees, we welcome the new physicians to our medical staff and celebrate the significant milestone anniversaries of those who have served on Nationwide Children's Medical Staff for 25 years or longer.

Please RSVP your attendance, along with the name of your guest by September 13, to NationwideChildrens.org/awards-rsvp or scan QR the code.



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Nationwide Children's Names Jason Newland, MD, MEd, Chief of Infectious Diseases

Nationwide Children's welcomes **Jason Newland, MD, MEd**, as the division

chief of Infectious Diseases and an associate investigator in the Center for Child Health Equity and Outcomes Research in the Abigail Wexner Research Institute at Nationwide Children's. Dr. Newland is also a tenured professor at The Ohio State University and will hold the Cramblett Endowed Chair in Pediatric Infectious Diseases.

Dr. Newland's research interests are focused on the establishment and impacts of antimicrobial stewardship programs in children's hospitals. In 2013, Dr. Newland co-founded the Sharing Antimicrobial Reports for Pediatric Stewardship (SHARPS) Collaborative, a national collaboration of over 60 children's hospitals dedicated to the appropriate use of antibiotics for children. He also co-directed the Antimicrobial Stewardship Council through BJC Healthcare from 2017 to 2023 and was the antimicrobial stewardship program director at St. Louis Children's Hospital from 2016 to 2020. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Newland led efforts to evaluate the rate of transmission in school in collaboration with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Most recently, he has been appointed the vice-chair of the U.S. Presidential Advisory Council on Combating Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria.

Dr. Newland joins Nationwide Children's from St. Louis Children's Hospital and Washington University, where he held the Schnuck Family Endowed Chair in Pediatric Infectious Diseases. He has authored more than 200 peer-reviewed publications and abstracts and is active in multiple professional societies and organizations. His current research includes leading a multicenter AHRQ R01-funded study on the best strategies to eliminate unnecessary postoperative antibiotics.



Nationwide Children's Appoints New Division Chief of Cardiology and Co- director of the Heart Center

Nationwide Children's welcomes **Antonio Cabrera, MD, FAAP, FAHA, FACC, FHFSa**, as the division chief of cardiology and co-director of the Heart Center. Dr. Cabrera has been

appointed professor of pediatrics at The Ohio State University and holds the Nationwide George H. Dunlap Endowed Chair in Pediatric Cardiology. Previously, Dr. Cabrera served as the L. George Veasy Presidential Professor at the University of Utah and co-director of the Heart Center at Intermountain Primary Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dr. Cabrera is trained in pediatrics, cardiology, cardiac critical care, heart failure/transplantation and medical education. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Cardiology, the American Heart Association, and the Heart Failure Society of America. He has lectured extensively across the globe. In addition, Dr. Cabrera was the co-principal investigator of the institutional NIH/NHLBI Pediatric Heart Network grant at the University of Utah.

Dr. Cabrera graduated from Universidad Francisco Marroquin in Guatemala. He completed his internship and residency at the Children's Hospital of the University of Illinois at Chicago, followed by a Pediatric Cardiology fellowship at Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital/Case Western Reserve University and advanced training in Cardiovascular Critical Care at Arkansas Children's Hospital/University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences in Little Rock.

2024 Clinician Well-being Summit

The Fourth National Summit on Promoting Well-being and Resilience in Health Care Professionals will take place October 23-25, at the Hilton Columbus Downtown. This national forum will focus on enhancing well-being, resilience and healthy lifestyle behaviors across all health care professions and health sciences students. Presentations will focus on factors contributing to burnout and resilience, effective interventions to reduce the risks of burnout and promote healthy lifestyle behaviors, and changes to the systems and cultures of healthcare settings that improve employee well-being and resilience. This summit is a collaborative initiative amongst Wexner Medical Center, the Ohio State Health Sciences, Fisher College of Business, the College of Social Work, the National Academy of Medicine and Nationwide Children's. To register or learn more, visit go.osu.edu/cwbs2024.

COMMUNITY PROVIDER CORNER

Partners For Kids Welcomes New Medical Directors

Partners For Kids® is pleased to welcome three new medical directors who have joined their service line teams. **Alex Rakowsky, MD**, will be co-leading the efforts for the Healthy Children service line that focuses on increasing pediatric preventative care. **Rajitha D. Venkatesh, MD, MPH**, will

co-lead the Chronic Conditions service line that focuses on preventing complications in pediatric patients diagnosed with long-term medical conditions. **Courtney Brown, MD**, will be co-leading the Women and Infants service line that focuses on decreasing infant mortality.

Constipation Toolkit

Partners For Kids has designed a toolkit to help health care professionals educate families on how to prevent and manage constipation at home to help reduce emergency department visits related to constipation. The toolkit includes a list of resources for providers and patients, including clinical pathways, webinars, action plans, educational videos and more. The information is updated regularly based on current clinical guidelines, recommendations and data. Find the complete toolkit at **PartnersforKids.org** under “Resources.”

Lounge and Learn

Lounge and Learn sessions have returned. If you would like to receive session invitations, email

Bruce.Meyer@NationwideChildrens.org or

Rhonda.Burk@NationwideChildrens.org or call to leave a message at (614) 722-4550.

Upcoming virtual sessions:

September 13 – Jason Newland, MD, Med, Vaccine Update for the 2024-2025 School Year

October 11 – A. Jay Freeman, MD, MSc, Recognizing Pancreatitis in Primary Care

MOMENTS IN HISTORY

In the Columbus Childrens Hospital publication, *Bambino*, in October 1917 the Regulations Concerning Patients stated, “Patients under 16 years of age, suffering from acute diseases are received in the hospital. No patient is admitted whose condition is chronic or incurable, unless there are urgent symptoms which, in the opinion of the medical staff, are capable of being relieved. Application for admission of patients may be made at the hospital on any day. Emergency cases will be admitted at any time. The beds in the hospital are free to those who are really poor, but a moderate charge will be made for those who are able to pay. Patients from beyond the limits of Franklin County will be received on payment of not less than ten dollars per week. Visitors are admitted on Sundays from 2 to 3. In case of serious illness, at any time.”

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Physician Recognition

Medical staff leadership would like to acknowledge physicians for recently receiving positive comments from patients and families. These comments are only a brief sample of the many compliments our physicians receive regularly.

Linda Baker, MD, Pediatric Urology

“We want to thank each, and every person involved for the care they provided. Especially Dr. Baker. You all made my son and me feel so at ease. Once again, Nationwide Children's Hospital has been above excellent, and we are forever grateful.”

Steven Ciciora, MD, Pediatrics

“We were very blessed to have received treatment from Dr. Ciciora. He is incredibly knowledgeable and has amazing bedside manner! His compassion and knowledge of my daughter's condition have put her on the right path to healing!”

Alex DiBartola, MD, MPH, Orthopedics

“My daughter said it was the best hospital she had ever been in and that she felt safe and comfortable having the surgery.”

Chelsea Kebodeaux, MD, Obstetrics and Gynecology

“Compassionate care given to my child. Her concerns and questions, with real help offered and explained to her and to me (mother). Wonderful experience from the moment we walked into the office. Everyone is kind, helpful and smiles. Welcoming environment for my daughter and me as her parent.”

Shyr Imran, MD, Pediatrics

“Staff was very kind and considerate. Everyone was helpful and extremely knowledgeable. We traveled two hours and would gladly again. Care was exceptional. Son is struggling to maintain a normal life with senior year approaching and unable to get an appointment and help in West Virginia with specialist, and a wait of 10 months for an appointment, which is critical, and his condition was rapidly deteriorating. The nurse at Sleep Clinic and Dr. Imran were fantastic.”

John Mytinger, MD, Pediatrics

“Dr. Mytinger always goes over and above. He is always available for a phone call or MyChart message when needed. He is kind, concerned and honest. He even goes out of his way to say hello if he sees us between other appointments at the Main Campus.”

Griffin Stout, MD, Psychiatry and Behavioral Health

“Dr. Stout and her team were fabulous. Great compassion and listening skills. Had clearly reviewed my child's medical history/file. Spent lots of time with us. A beacon of light during a scary time.”

Amy Valasek, MD, Pediatrics

“Dr. Valasek was absolutely amazing. She was so incredibly helpful and provided us with a wealth of information that will allow my daughter to become and remain a healthy young female athlete.”

Homecare Update

Use of Single Dose Nirsevimab (*Beyfortus*[™]) for RSV

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) met in June of this year and made no changes in recommendations for infant prophylaxis with monoclonal antibodies such as nirsevimab. A study published March 7, 2024, in *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*, showed nirsevimab is 90% effective at preventing RSV-associated hospitalization for infants in their first RSV season. Nirsevimab is recommended for infants up to 8 months old during their first RSV season and for high-risk toddlers aged 8 to 19 months in their second RSV season. The recommended dosage is 50 mg for infants born during or entering their first RSV season and weighing <5 kg (<11 lb.); for those weighing ≥5 kg (≥11 lb.), the recommended dosage is 100 mg. The recommended dosage for infants and children aged 8–19 months at increased risk for severe disease entering their second RSV season is 200 mg (2 × 100 mg injections).

Last year, during RSV season the nirsevimab supply was not sufficient. However, the expectation is there should be no supply shortages for the 2024–2025 RSV season.

Historically, Nationwide Children's Homecare provided on average 150 mg of palivizumab (*Synagis*[®]) per dose for five doses during the RSV season at an Average Wholesale Price (AWP) that totaled \$31,550 for the season, compared to the one dose nirsevimab (*Beyfortus*[™]) 50 mg or 100 mg at an AWP of \$624 for the season. Efficacy and cost would indicate use of nirsevimab, in addition to the CDC's recommendations.

Homecare will keep vigilant if nirsevimab supply changes indicate that palivizumab would be needed. The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) will be releasing additional recommendations for the 2024–2025 RSV Season, as will the ACIP. Updates from AAP and ACIP and links to other resources are available at [NationwideChildrens.org/Homecare](https://www.nationwidechildrens.org/homecare).

For questions regarding referral processes or any Homecare services or programs, email Carolyn.Figi@NationwideChildrens.org.

Interprofessional Education

2nd Annual Pediatric Cardiology Symposium

October 11

The Pediatric Cardiology Symposium is for health care providers who treat and evaluate pediatric patients. The conference will address the diagnosis, management, and indications for

referral for common pediatric cardiology diagnoses through lectures, panel discussions and small group sessions. Register at [NationwideChildrens.cloud-cme.com/Cardio2024](https://www.nationwidechildrens.cloud-cme.com/Cardio2024).

2024 Extended Reality (XR) Symposium

October 15

The conference will highlight emerging technology, research findings, and innovative applications and create partnerships in the field of extended reality across a number of industries. Our goal in hosting this conference is to bring together extended reality (XR) enthusiasts from across the Midwest to share exciting XR projects, happenings, and lessons learned, generate new ideas, stimulate collaboration and foster a multi-industry XR community in the region. Register at [NationwideChildrens.cloud-cme.com/XR2024](https://www.nationwidechildrens.cloud-cme.com/XR2024).

3rd Annual Pediatric Dermatology Conference

October 18

Hosted by Nationwide Children's Dermatology Clinic, this conference will highlight updates on pediatric dermatologic conditions frequently seen in the primary care practice. The goal is to equip primary care providers with the knowledge and resources to confidently care for these patients and to gain insights into the pediatric dermatology clinic. Register at [NationwideChildrens.cloud-cme.com/2024Derm](https://www.nationwidechildrens.cloud-cme.com/2024Derm).

Pediatric Gastroenterology for Primary Care Clinicians

November 1

This one-day hybrid conference is aimed to provide primary care and general pediatric clinicians with up-to-date information on the identification, diagnosis and management of common gastrointestinal conditions. Additionally, attendees will receive practical resources to help care for their patients and the opportunity to build community with the pediatric gastroenterology team at Nationwide Children's via discussion and socialization. Register at [NationwideChildrens.cloud-cme.com/GI2024](https://www.nationwidechildrens.cloud-cme.com/GI2024).

Pediatric Oncology Integrated Diagnostics and Targeted Therapies Symposium

November 7-9

This hybrid symposium, sponsored by the Nationwide Children’s Hospital Division of Hematology, Oncology, and Blood & Marrow Transplant, in collaboration with Department of Pathology and the Institute for Genomic Medicine, will provide a comprehensive three-day overview of current and developing diagnostic and therapeutic approaches, allowing pediatric oncology teams to integrate these new tools at each stage of care of children with cancer. Register at NationwideChildrens.cloud-me.com/TargetedTherapies2024.

Pediatric Sports Medicine and Orthopedics Conference

November 15

This conference is designed for health care providers who treat pediatric patients with sports medicine injuries and orthopedic problems. Afternoon breakout tracks available in Sports Medicine, Rehabilitation and MSK Ultrasound. Register at NationwideChildrens.cloud-cme.com/SMED24.

Additional Conferences

To learn more or register for an upcoming conference, visit NationwideChildrens.org/conferences. For information on event and conference planning support, email IPEoffice@NationwideChildrens.org.

- September 19-20, 2024, IMPAACT Summit
- September 27, 2024, Ohio Neuropsychology Group Meeting
- December 13, 2024, 40th Annual School Health Update Conference
- January 31, 2025, 10th Annual Pediatric Update for Advanced Practice Providers

GRAND ROUNDS

Pediatric Grand Rounds

Pediatric Grand Rounds takes place every Thursday from 8 to 9 a.m. A schedule of upcoming and prior recorded sessions is on the Nationwide Children’s Physician Connect app and ANCHOR. Learn more at bit.ly/PediatricGrandRounds.

Upcoming sessions include:

Date	Topic	Speaker and Institution/ Department
8/1	Why we Need to Focus on Optimizing Non-curative Treatments now That There is Gene Therapy for Sickle Cell Disease	Susan Creary, MD Nationwide Children’s
8/8	Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Medicine	Wayne Liang, MD Emory University School of Medicine
8/15	Physical Activity and Sport Participation in Youth With Disabilities: Research Updates and Applications	Mary Dubon, MD Harvard Medical School
8/22	Pediatric Long COVID	Amy Edwards, MD University Hospitals
8/29	Personalized Management of Sleep Disordered Breathing in Children	Maninder S. Kalra, MD, PhD Nationwide Children’s
9/5	Emerging Drug Trends: Fentanyl Fatalities, Xylazine and X-waiver Removal	Ashley Ebersole, MD, Erin McKnight, MD; Hannah Hays, MD, and Kelsey Schmuhl, PharmD Nationwide Children’s
9/12	Delivering Equitable Health Care Through the use of Bilingual Discharge Instructions	Richard Fernandez, MD, and Maria Dulce Ovalle Sanchez
9/19	McClung Lecture	Rachel Rosen, MD, MPH Boston Children’s Hospital
9/26	What’s New With 22q? An Update on 22q11.2 Deletion/DiGeorge Syndrome	Peter Mustillo, MD, Adriane Baylis, PhD, CCC-SLP, Kathryn Obrynba, MD, and Richard Kirschner, MD, FAAP, FACS Nationwide Children’s

Project ECHO Educational Programming

Project ECHO (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) is a collaborative and innovative tele-mentoring program designed to create virtual communities of practice by bringing together subject matter experts and community providers. This guided-practice model uses videoconferencing technology, brief didactic presentations, and case-based learning to create an “all teach, all learn” environment, where best practices are shared to reduce health disparities, improve patient outcomes in underserved areas, and provide specialty care to patients in their own communities. More information is available at [NationwideChildrens.org/echo](https://www.nationwidechildrens.org/echo).

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

The Pam & Jack Beeler Psychiatry and Behavioral Health Grand Rounds

Join upcoming sessions in Allen Auditorium at Nationwide Children's Conference Center, 520 Butterfly Gardens Drive, or via Zoom link from noon to 1 p.m.

August 15 - Rasim Somer Diler, MD, University of Pittsburgh, Novel Approaches in Diagnosing and Monitoring of Mixed Presentations in Youth With and at Risk for Bipolar Spectrum Disorders, Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/97623458841>

September 19 – Cameron Neece, PhD, Loma Linda University, Applying Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction to Parenting Interventions for Children With Developmental Delay, Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/95105067426>

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