

Physician Liaison Program



The Pediatric and Family Practice Liaison Program

Recently, the physician liaison team at UPMC Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh has made a subtle, but beneficial, change to our program. The new program name, “The Pediatric and Family Practice Liaison Program,” better represents our referring physicians as a group and signifies a more inclusive cohort of professionals.

Our regional and local liaisons will be contacting all referring physicians shortly to welcome any questions and concerns, discuss program development and structure moving forward, as well as update any information regarding physicians and their practices. Communication is important as The Pediatric and Family Liaison Program continues to strive for healthy relationships between physicians, liaisons, and UPMC Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh. A new phone number has been created in order to do so.

Please reach out to the following resources with any questions or concerns.

- Telephone: (412)-692-3300
- Email: schoonovernr@upmc.edu or MDRelations@chp.edu

On the right are our two regional liaisons. Heather Brinza (left) and Nikki Walker (right) will be heavily involved in providing support to our referring physicians.

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UPMC Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh Recognized at Carnegie Science Center



The Carnegie Science Center of Pittsburgh, PA boasts a variety of popular exhibits focused on Pittsburgh Landmarks. Recently, UPMC Children’s was added to their Miniature Railroad & Village exhibit among other historical landmarks of the region.

To learn more and to listen to our President, Diane Hupp, give her thoughts about the addition of CHP to the exhibit, click [here](#).



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COVID-19

UPMC continues to focus on reducing the negative impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Please see the resources below for the latest updates and resources available for your patients within UPMC:

- For the latest updates on COVID-19 from UPMC, [click here](#).
- For updates on testing locations, [click here](#).
- For information on free testing, [click here](#).
- To schedule a COVID-19 vaccine, [click here](#).
- Information on COVID-19 Vaccines for Children, [click here for the information sheets](#).
- For information on Monoclonal Antibodies, [click here](#).
- For updated visitor guidelines, [click here](#).
- [Frequently Asked Questions About COVID-19](#).

University of Pittsburgh students raise over \$300,000 for UPMC Children's Hospital

Recently, the University of Pittsburgh held a fundraiser for UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. Students, as well as "miracle children" and their families were invited for a dancing marathon devoted to providing support to UPMC Children's. Learn more [here](#).



What's New at Children's?

- Continuing medical education is part of UPMC Children's mission. Learn more [here](#).
- Let patients know about our partnership with Lyft, giving free rides to appointments for those in need. For more information, [click here](#).
- *That's Pediatrics* – Exploring the Ever-Advancing Field of Pediatric Neurosurgery with Dr. Stephanie Greene. [Listen and subscribe to the lecture here](#).
- *Health Break* – Ep 15: What's Happening Now in Telehealth with Jeffrey Gala. Check it out [here](#).
- NEW: Study examines current practices and develops consensus for best practices of continuous kidney replacement therapy in pediatric patients, by Dana Y. Fuhrman, DO, MS. Learn more [here](#).
- World Down Syndrome Day recently occurred on March 21st. Dr. Kishore Vellody has recorded a podcast about the day. Listen [here](#).

Upcoming Webinars



Plain People Translational Medicine Program at UPMC
With panelists Line Gonzalez, MD and Catherine Walsh Vockley, MS, LCGC.



April 28, 2023 2:00-3:00pm
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