

Provider Update



Summer 2014



Providing comprehensive care for pediatric patients is a goal we all share. Successful collaboration with providers throughout Iowa and other states is important to us. Our commitment to you includes keeping the lines of communication open and effective, and we intend to communicate with you on a regular basis. If you prefer to receive this information electronically, please send us an email at uichildrenshospital@uiowa.edu. If you have questions, concerns, or need more information, please contact me at 319-356-0469 or raphael-hirsch@uiowa.edu.

Building Update

Progress continues on the construction of the new UI Children's Hospital, slated to open in spring 2016. The new hospital is being designed as a healing environment that is focused on the health and well-being of children and families. For additional details, renderings, and to follow our progress, please visit uichildrens.org/buildingupdate.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Raphael Hirsch'.

Raphael Hirsch, MD
Physician-in-Chief, UI Children's Hospital
Chair and Department Executive Officer
Stead Family Department of Pediatrics

New Providers

We are pleased to welcome our newest team members. You can learn more about any member of our team by visiting uichildrens.org/findadoc. By adding faculty members, we've expanded our options for patient care and reduced wait times. If you need assistance in obtaining a timely referral or consult, please contact Physician Relations at **319-384-6103** or referring-physicians@uiowa.edu so we can help.



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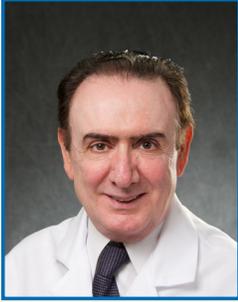
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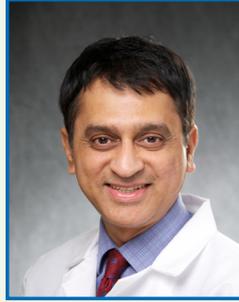
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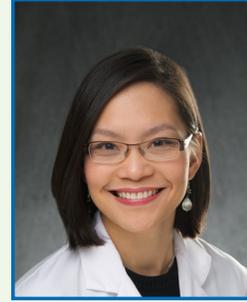
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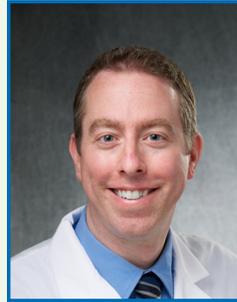
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↓ New and Expanded Clinical Services



The **pediatric cardio-metabolic clinic** is designed to assist primary care providers in the evaluation and management of the sequelae of childhood obesity. Criteria for referral include a child who is overweight or obese with concomitant obesity-related disease (e.g., dyslipidemia, hypertension, insulin resistance, elevated liver enzymes, etc.).

Clinic appointments are individualized for each child depending on his or her needs. The appointment may include visits with pediatric endocrinologist Vanessa Curtis, MD, pediatric cardiologist Thomas Scholz, MD, and other specialists, as needed. For a consultation or to refer a patient, please call **800-322-8442**.



With the addition of three neurologists, we have significantly increased our capacity and access to our **pediatric neurology** service. In addition to our main campus in Iowa City, the pediatric neurology team sees patients at our satellite clinic in the Quad Cities weekly. To consult with any of our providers or refer a patient, call **800-322-8442**.

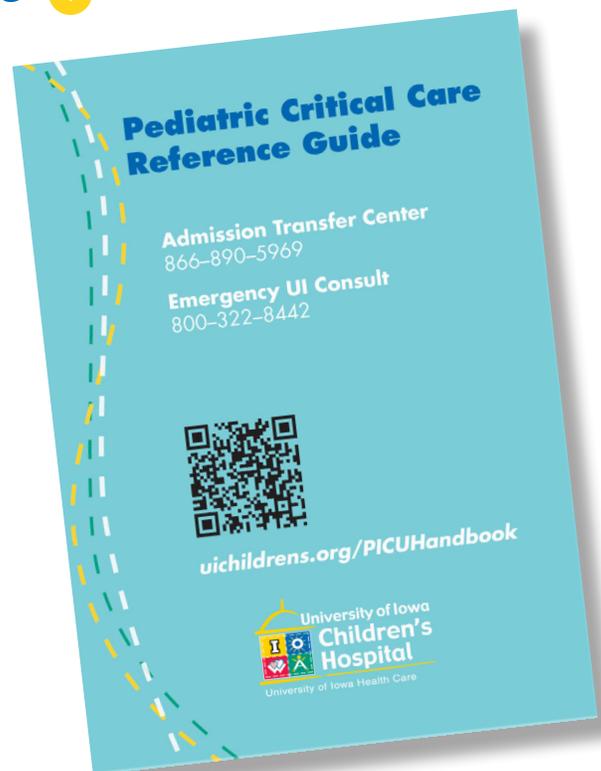
Pediatric Critical Care Reference Guide ↓

As a provider, you know firsthand that quick and easy access to information is crucial when caring for a critically ill child. It's important to have reliable resources that assist you in delivering the best care when every second counts. Our pediatric critical care reference guide can be a useful tool for you and your medical team.

Our guide includes:

- A list of medications and recommended dosages
- Equipment sizing chart
- Vital signs by age
- Telephone numbers for our patient transfer center and physician consult services

Access our reference guide online at **uichildrens.org/PICUhandbook**.



Research Spotlight →

The Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology at UI Children's Hospital is part of the Holden Comprehensive Cancer Center and a member of the Children's Oncology Group (COG). Division director Yatin Vyas, MD, MBBS, explains the future of personalized medicine and research in this area:



Yatin Vyas, MD, MBBS

“When you look at how cancer has been treated—with chemotherapy, surgery, and radiation—that’s the only way we know, and it’s not good. It’s hard on young bodies. We want to provide the high-end care that utilizes molecularly targeted therapies for cancer patients of all ages. For a long time, the National Cancer Institute had not mandated that these novel therapies be tried on kids because we wanted to protect them from experimental trials. Now it’s required that any trial that may potentially help kids with cancer must have a pediatric component. It opens the scope of all treatments available to all patients, and cancer centers are the ideal places for these types of innovative therapies to be instituted. We’re getting the blueprint for the cancer genome, and within the last five years, we’ve been delving deeper into the mind of the killer, the cancer cell. In the lab, we are looking at understanding how the epigenome of the cancer cell influences its own genetic makeup. Which genetic mutations drive the cancer process? The idea is to be able to identify childhood cancers that can be cured with ‘smart’ therapies targeted to rectify a cancer-initiating molecular event.”



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Educational Opportunities

Many of you have expressed interest in participating in educational opportunities. Our schedule of grand rounds is included, and you are welcome to attend at any time. For more information, please contact Leann Hotchkiss at leann-hotchkiss@uiowa.edu.

Grand rounds recording are also available on the Health Pro Network for CME credit. A current list of pediatric topics can be found at medicine.uiowa.edu/healthpro. Simply click on "view webcasts" and "browse by specialty."

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