

January 27, 2026



LSU Pediatrics Tuesday Tidbits

Welcome to the Department of Pediatrics' weekly email blast designed to deliver important department information straight to your inbox.

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LSU Pediatrics Announcements

Faculty, Volunteer! -SSPR Practice Session

How often have you received detailed constructive feedback on your presentations? Take part in providing this valued experience to our trainees! Please consider volunteering 1 hour of your time on the afternoon of Monday Feb 23 to provide feedback for trainees preparing SSPR presentations. Email Julie Gallois jgall3@lsuhsc.edu or Luke Wall lwall@lsuhsc.edu to sign up. Your contribution is much appreciated!

Interested in Promotion? Deadline Approaching!

Faculty Affairs Associate Dean Dr. Stephanie Taylor announced recently that CVs for faculty planning to apply for promotion will be due for review in the dean's office on **April 1, 2026**. Therefore, the process for faculty interested in academic promotion for the upcoming cycle (effective July 2027) is now underway, a few months earlier than usual. All faculty who intend to seek promotion this cycle must declare their intent. Please inform Dr. Brian Barkemeyer, Pediatric Promotions Committee Chair, at bbarke@lsuhsc.edu of your interest/ intentions by **February 2, 2026**. Please expect to meet with Dr. Barkemeyer around this time frame to further discuss your candidacy.

All faculty interested in promotion should be familiar with the most updated promotion information available on the LSUHSC School of Medicine faculty affairs website at:

https://www.medschool.lsuhs.edu/faculty_affairs/promotions_and_tenure.aspx

Quoting from these guidelines, "Typically, it takes 5 – 6 years for faculty to accrue the academic qualifications necessary for promotion to the rank of Associate Professor. LSU System Bylaws also specify that faculty should hold the rank of Associate Professor for a minimum of five years to be eligible for promotion to the rank of Professor. Typically, it takes 7–8 years for faculty to accrue the academic qualifications necessary for promotion from Associate to the rank of Professor." As this upcoming promotion cycle becomes effective in July 2027, new faculty hired at the Assistant Professor level by July 2022 or earlier may be considered for promotion.

Latinos In Medicine

We are excited to announce the formation of our new Latinos in Medicine Committee, an initiative created to support, uplift, and advocate for Latino physicians and trainees within our institution.

This committee was the idea of Peds GI fellow Dr. Scarlett Flaz and pediatric residents Dr. Mariana Acuna, Dr. Natasha Mark-Borno, Dr. Ana Figuereo, and Dr. Amy Urbina Pacheco. The committee will be led by attending Dr. Acela Cristina Rosado, Rheumatologist.

We look forward to sharing more updates and upcoming activities from the Latinos in Medicine Committee. We are planning to have our first meeting mid-February as a meet and greet social event.



LATINOS IN MEDICINE

Celebrate the rich cultures, histories, and contributions of Hispanic and Latinos in medicine with the Latinos in Medicine Committee

Board members:

*Acela Cristina Rosado, MD Pediatric Rheumatologist
Scarlett Flaz, MD Pediatric GI Fellow
Mariana Acuna, MD Pediatric Resident
Natasha Mark-Borno, MD Pediatric Resident
Ana Figueroa, MD Pediatric Resident
Amy Urbina Pacheco, MD Pediatric Resident*



Call for Proposals: Pediatrics from the Parishes 2026

The Louisiana AAP Invites you to submit a proposal for the 2026 Pediatrics from the Parishes conference! The submission form has all of the details to guide you in planning your session.

[Submit your Proposal](#)

This year, all regular sessions will be 30 minutes and there is a limit of no more than two speakers for each session.

Proposals are due in about one month on **Monday, February 9 by 5:00 PM Central Time.**

Notifications are expected to go out the first week of May.

Please share this call for proposals with your network! Having many high-quality proposals helps us make the best conference line up possible.

Email at CME@laaap.org with questions.

Pediatric Research Day - Call for Abstracts Due February 26th

[Submit Abstracts Here](#)

Pediatric Research Day



2026 Pediatric Research Day

Join Manning Family Children's, LSU Pediatrics, and Tulane Pediatrics as we celebrate Pediatric Research Day on Friday, May 15th from 8 am - 5 pm in Worley Hall. Faculty and trainees of all levels will be invited to share their research.



Friday, May
15, 2026



8:00 am -
5:00 pm



Submit Abstract

<https://app.oxfordabstracts.com/stages/80710/submitter>

Call for Faculty Submissions: Pediatric Research Day 2025 Oral Presentations

Faculty are invited to submit proposals for **oral presentations of recently published pediatric research** at **Research Day 2026** the morning of **May 15, 2026**. Exact presentation times and durations will be determined based on the number of submissions and interest.

Why Present?

- **Inform the Community** about the impact of your pediatric research.
- **Teach Others** about valuable resources and methodologies.
- **Showcase Opportunities** for collaboration or further research.
- **Gain Recognition** for your contributions to the field of pediatric research.

Submit your proposal by February 26, 2026 using this [link](#). Be sure to select Faculty Presentation as the presentation method.

Review and Submit Publications for Pediatric Research Webpage

We are currently in the process of updating the Pediatric Research webpage to better highlight and recognize the research conducted within our department. As part of this effort, we want to ensure that the list of publications featured on the webpage is complete and up to date.

We kindly ask that you take a few moments to review the current publications listed on the webpage and notify us of any publications that may be missing or not yet included. At this time, we are only seeking to add publications from the last five years. Your contributions are essential to ensuring accurate representation and recognition of our department's scholarly work. To allow us to finalize this update in a timely manner, we ask that any additions or corrections be submitted by February 11th.

You may view the current publications page here:

https://www.medschool.lsuhschool.edu/pediatrics/selected_publications.aspx

If you would like to submit publications for inclusion on the webpage or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact us by email at ashala@lsuhsc.edu or dwil77@lsuhsc.edu. We are happy to assist.

Thank you very much for your time and support.

W2 Delivery Options - Electronic or Paper

LSU Health Sciences Center is required by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to furnish all employees a Form W-2 Wage and Tax Statement each calendar year to be used in completing the employee's annual tax returns. The W-2 details the employee's wages, tax withholdings and other important payroll information for the calendar year. LSU Health Sciences Center offers electronic receipt of the W-2 and with consent from the employee, electronic W-2s may be accessed through PeopleSoft Self Service in the same way payroll remittance advices (pay check stubs) are accessed.

If you wish to receive your W-2 electronically, please provide your consent by January 23, 2026 (see instructions below). If consent is not received by this date, the W-2 will be mailed to the current address on file. If you intend to receive a paper copy via mail, please follow the instructions below to verify/update your current address. **Address corrections must be submitted by January 15, 2026** to ensure that W-2s are mailed to the correct address. NOTE: If the electronic consent was completed in a prior year and there has been no disruption in employment service, there is no need to complete a consent again.

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2. Click [here](#) for instructions to access the Job Aid for the “Personal Data Change” eForm whereby you can verify/update your address.
 - Once you access the “Personal Data Change” eForm, click on the “Home Address” option (see screenshot below) and scroll to the bottom of the form. You will see the home address of record displayed. If it is correct, then you can just close out the form; if it’s not correct, just input the new address in the space provided and click “Submit”.

If you have any questions or experience problems, please contact Payroll at noacctpayroll@lsuhsc.edu.

Get Involved in Pediatric Research Day May 15, 2026

Dear Faculty,

We are excited to announce that Pediatric Research Day will be held on Friday, May 15, 2026. Last year’s event was a big success, and we are looking forward to continued growth this year. There are many ways to contribute, and we would love to have your participation! Please review [this form](#) and let us know how you would like to get involved. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Julie Gallois at Jgall3@lsuhsc.edu or Tamara Bradford at tbra11@lsuhsc.edu. Thank you in advance for helping us showcase the incredible research happening at our own institution!

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You’re invited to take a creative, on-brand headshot

Why take a branded headshot? Our culture is rooted in our people—it’s personal, it’s fun, and it’s unique. We use these photos for features and provider profiles on our website.

What to wear? Business-casual attire preferred. Come camera ready!

For immediate headshot needs, questions or additional information, please contact Amelia Hatheway at Amelia.Hatheway@lcmchealth.org or Corinne Stephens at corinne.stephens@lcmchealth.org.

Manning Family Children's Wednesday, February 25

Worley Hall
7:30-10:30 am
Sign-Up

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

New video monthly

For questions or comments regarding Faculty Development, please contact [Amy Creel](#).

January Video:

RIME - Reporter, Interpreter, Manager, and Educator are skills we expect our learners to master throughout training. This 11 minute video reminds us of how these categories can be useful in giving meaningful feedback and in writing evaluation comments. Invest a few minutes to review as this video can help you strengthen your feedback and evaluations.

<https://vimeo.com/76308600>

Manning Family Children's Announcements

Hybrid Pediatric Grand Rounds



Manning Family
Children's
LCMC Health

James W. L. Mann Memorial Lecture

“Childhood Lupus: What Every Pediatrician Should Know in 2025”

Wednesday, January 28th, 2026

Hospital Large Conference Rooms, Noon

You may join Pediatric Grand Rounds from your computer, tablet, or smartphone:

Zoom link: <https://lsuhsc.zoom.us/j/96795644737>

Meeting ID: 967 9564 4737

Register for this session by visiting <https://manningchildrens.cds.affinitycd.com/>
You will login to the same site to claim your CE at the conclusion of the activity.

Objectives: At the conclusion of this activity, participants should be able to:

- Describe approaches to the diagnosis of childhood-onset systemic lupus erythematosus (cSLE) Classification Criteria for SLE
- Recognize surveillance and treatment targets for patients with cSLE
- Review updates on treatment recommendations for kidney involvement with cSLE

Intended audience: This activity is specifically directed towards the pediatric provider, but it is open to all interested physicians, residents, medical students, nursing, and allied health professionals.

Accreditation Manning Family Children's is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Designation Manning Family Children's designates this live activity for a maximum of 1.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

CNE statement: LCMC Health Nursing Education Committee is approved as a provider of nursing continuing professional development by Louisiana State Nurses Association - Approver, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. LSNA Provider No. 4002636

ADA Statement: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if special accommodations are needed, please notify Catherine Mooney at 504-896-9431.



Hermine I. Brunner, MD, MSc, MBA, FACP, FACR is a tenured Professor of Pediatrics and Director of the Division of Rheumatology at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center and the University of Cincinnati, where she also holds an Endowed Chair. An internationally recognized leader in pediatric rheumatology, Dr. Brunner's work focuses on childhood-onset systemic lupus erythematosus, juvenile idiopathic arthritis, and the development of outcome measures and clinical trials in pediatric autoimmune diseases. She has led numerous national and international clinical studies and is a frequent contributor to consensus guidelines and professional society initiatives.

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Faculty Development Workshop on Succession Planning



Faculty Development and Evaluation Committee and the Office of Faculty Affairs

Future Ready: Designing a Life and Legacy that Lasts

Maintaining Career (and Life) Fulfillment

The challenges of modern medicine can often overshadow the joy of the calling. Loss of career satisfaction can lead to burnout and impact your overall quality of life. This lecture explores the critical link between professional identity and personal fulfillment, offering practical concepts to maintain a rewarding and sustainable career in medicine.

Presented by: Christopher C. Roth, MD

January 14, 2026
4-5 pm

Succession Planning: Intentional Preparation for Leadership Transitions

Abrupt transitions hurt everyone. Learn why engaging in early succession planning is the key to minimizing stress and maximizing organizational stability. In this session, you'll explore transition models, reflect on past experiences in small groups, and leave with the materials necessary to design a deliberate, effective strategy for your next professional chapter.

Presented by: Michelle Moore PsyD,
Sonya Van Nuland PhD, and Lee Engel
MD, PhD

January 29, 2026
4-5 pm

Both Sessions held in person at LEC 632 or offered via Zoom

Register for one or both sessions by scanning the QR code



Accreditation: The Louisiana State University School of Medicine, New Orleans is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

AMA Credit Designation Statement: The Louisiana State University School of Medicine, New Orleans designates this live activity for a maximum of 1 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

We have a new management system for CE Credits

Registration is required for Pediatric Grand Rounds. You may register for Grand Rounds up until 5pm of the day of the activity – this is to allow you time to register and evaluate after the session if participating virtually. Use [this link to access the CE Center](#) and bookmark it for easy access. The link is also available on the flyer.

At the end of the session, you will have to login to the CE Center to claim your credit. A QR code/link will be provided at the end of each Grand Rounds to help with this.

For the instruction guide click [here](#). This will help walk you through creating an account and registering for a session.

Travel/Reimbursement Corner

Required Documentation for Direct Payment (DP) Reimbursement Requests

When requesting a reimbursement the following documentation must be included:

1. Documentation of the purchase, such as:
 - Itemized receipts OR
 - Detailed email or website receipts
 - AND
1. Proof of payment, which may include (but is not limited to):
 - A credit card statement
 - A receipt showing the last four digits of the credit card successfully charged
 - Common Allowable Items
 - Professional organization dues
 - Local conference registration fees
 - Periodical subscription renewals
 - Books or copyrighted materials
 - Employee license fees
 - Supplies

If you have any questions about whether an item meets the criteria for reimbursement, please contact me at tforr2@lsuhsc.edu.

Department Wellness

CHNOLA's childcare center open for children of providers/staff working at Children's Hospital ([flyer](#))

LSU Pediatrics Wellness Resources ([information](#))

Other Announcements

Latest Edition of The Pulse ([link](#))

Resident Education

- Resident Participation in Research ([information](#)) - complete a shared spreadsheet with a brief description of the project you are looking for collaboration or assistance with.

Department Biostatistician

- Department Biostatistician, Dr. Zhide Fang, is available to provide biostatistical support to faculty, fellows, and residents. Please see below for revised scheduling procedures:
 1. Email Zhide Fang at zfang@lsuhsc.edu
 2. Provide brief explanation of the service you need and, if applicable, times you are able to meet
 3. Dr. Fang may request additional information depending on the nature of your request

4. Asking simple, direct questions through email is welcome at any time, but appointments are preferred

Administrative Reminders

- Importance of Time Certification ([information](#)) - learn more about why we certify time each month!
- Use of Non-LSUHSC Email ([information](#))
- Download the Department Composites for the 2025-2026 academic year! ([Resident](#), [Fellow](#), [Faculty](#), and [Admin Staff](#)).
- The Tulane Resident Composite for the 2025-2026 school year is available [here](#).
- LSU travel policy and procedures ([information](#))
- Department Poster Printing

At least 3 business days before a poster is needed in hand, send the following to Ashley Pate, apat30@lsuhsc.edu:

1. PowerPoint file
2. Size you would like the poster to be printed
3. Day you need the poster printed by
4. Is a travel tube needed?

The poster author will be copied on all correspondence with the LSU Printing and Graphics Dept. Once Ashley sends the PowerPoint file to the printer, the office will respond (usually quickly) and ask for the author's approval of the PDF proof. Please be on the lookout for an email; the author must approve before the Graphics Dept can print. Ashley will send you an email once the poster has been delivered to her office.

- Download the new Clinical [Handbook](#) and Pediatric Clerkship [Objectives](#) for Faculty, Residents, and Fellows.
- Grant Support is available through an LSU/Hanover [collaboration](#) - more information is available [here](#).
- [LSUHSC Library Research Resources](#)
- [EQUIP project proposal form](#)

Department Anniversaries

Maria Velez, 31 years
Renette Jones, 12 years
Kirk Thame, 2 years
Tricia Forrest, 1 year

Share Your News!

The department wants to highlight your success! Please send any news to include in *Tuesday Tidbits* to [Ashley Pate](#).



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