

November 18, 2025



## 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

#### Third Annual DOP Thanksgiving Drive



Thanks to your generosity, we have officially reached our \$5,000 goal for this year's Thanksgiving Drive! Your contributions will directly support families in our community by providing holiday meals, essential groceries, and a little extra comfort during a season that can be challenging for many. Thank you for stepping up, spreading kindness, and helping us make this Thanksgiving brighter for those who need it most.

**Congratulations to Dr. Amanda Messer for Receiving the  
Chancellor's LSU Health Excellence Award!**



Dr. Amanda Messer of the Hospital Medicine Division received the Chancellor's LSU Health Excellence Award. This year 242 nominations were received, a testament to the remarkable talent, dedication, and impact across our LSU Health community. Your continued hard work and achievements exemplify the excellence that defines LSU Health. Congratulations, Dr. Messer!

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### Recent Scholarly Activity

Last week, Dr. Acela Rosado recently published an article titled *Reproductive Health Knowledge and Preferences in Adolescent Rheumatology patients: A Convergent Mixed Methods Study*. You can read the article [here](#).

Our Division of Allergy & Immunology recently attended the American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL, where residents, fellows, and faculty presented research and represented the division on a national stage. Pediatric resident Dr. Caroline Gueniot received the SPARK award scholarship to attend the meeting. Our fellows (Drs. Nadjel Opamen, Meaghan Bank, and David Van) each presented posters on challenging clinical cases with faculty mentorship from Drs. Elizabeth Wisner, Michelle Korah-Sedgwick, Andrew Abreo, Colleen LeBlanc (GI), and Zachary LeBlanc (Heme/Onc). Dr. Kenneth Paris moderated a workshop on subcutaneous administration of immunoglobulin.



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## Global Evaluations

Matt Foy is giving a follow up faculty development workshop next week for the Global Evaluation form. Please share with your faculty. There is a zoom option if you cannot make it to campus.



LSU School of Medicine Office of Medical Education

## Global Evaluations 2.0



Matthew Foy, MD  
Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine  
Director of Undergraduate Medical Education  
LSU School of Medicine, Baton Rouge Campus

This session provides a follow-up to the initial experiences with implementing global evaluations and discussion of educational alignment between the evaluation form, clinical teaching and the educational program objectives with a focus on actionable feedback.

**Thursday, November 20**

**4:00 – 5:00 pm**

**Lion's Building, 6th Floor**

Zoom Option Available



- Scan QR code to register.
- Registration Required.
- Register by November 19



**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 1.0 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

## LA CaTS Professional Development Core

The LA CaTS Professional Development Core is pleased to announce a request for applications for the **LA CaTS 2026 Roadmap Scholars Program**. The full text of the application instructions is attached or can be found [here](#). For questions, contact the LA CaTS Professional Development Core at [CareerDevel@LACaTS.org](mailto:CareerDevel@LACaTS.org).

For those interested in applying, there will be two informational webinars, "LA CaTS Roadmap Scholar Application FAQs." The first webinar will be on **Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at noon, via Zoom** and the second webinar will be on **Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 12:30pm, via Zoom**. Outlook calendar invitations for both webinars are attached with the Zoom link.

**Overview:** The program supports 75% of the Scholar's salary and fringe up to an annual maximum designated amount. The program also funds travel to present at the Translational Science (ACTS) meeting and at another scientific research conference of the Scholar's specialty. In addition, the Scholar's mentor will receive a one-time allocation of \$10,000 (direct cost only) to support the Roadmap Scholar's research and career development. The

program also covers costs of tuition for courses in the Master of Science in Clinical Research curriculum. Support is provided for 2 years, by the end of which we anticipate that the scholar will have competed successfully for an NIH Career Transition (K) award or its equivalent, providing continued protected mentored career development for a total of at least 5 years and providing protected time for advancement to an R01 or equivalent award.

Eligibility: Three Roadmap Scholars will be chosen each year. Applicants should hold an MD, DO, PhD, DDS, or PharmD. Please refer to any NIH K award guidelines for eligibility criteria. Applicants may be current members of the faculty or candidates for appointment to the faculty (prior to July 1, 2026) at any LA CaTS Institution, including Pennington Biomedical Research Center, LSU Health-New Orleans, Tulane University, Children's Hospital, LSU A&M, Xavier University, LSU Health-Shreveport, or Ochsner. Faculty appointment cannot be contingent upon receiving the LA CaTS Roadmap Scholar award.

Important Dates:

- [Informational Webinar 1](#) -  
"LA CaTS Roadmap Scholar Application FAQs": **Friday, December 19, 2025, at noon** ([Zoom meeting link](#))
- Informational Webinar 2 -  
"LA CaTS Roadmap Scholar Application FAQs": **Thursday, January 8, 2026, at 12:30pm** ([Zoom meeting link](#))
- Applications Deadline: **5:00pm on Monday, February 2, 2026** (submit via email to [CareerDevel@LACaTS.org](mailto:CareerDevel@LACaTS.org))
- Nominees and Mentors Notified by: **Friday, April 24, 2026** (approximately)
- Salary support begins: **July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028**
- Classes begin for Scholars: **Wednesday, July 1, 2026**

Application packets should be sent via email to [CareerDevel@LACaTS.org](mailto:CareerDevel@LACaTS.org).

For questions, contact the LA CaTS Professional Development Core at [CareerDevel@LACaTS.org](mailto:CareerDevel@LACaTS.org).

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[www.LACaTS.org](http://www.LACaTS.org)

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## Holiday Parade



**You're Invited to Ride in the 4th Annual Holiday Parade!**

Saturday, December 6 | 10:00 AM

Join the fun as the LSU float rolls once again which holds up to 64 riders!

**Please note the changes this year:**



BYOB – Bring Your Own Beads!



Beads by the Dozen is offering an LSU Parade Package (includes delivery directly onto the float!) Estimated cost: \$160 please contact [pmyers@beadsbythedozen.com](mailto:pmyers@beadsbythedozen.com)

If you're interested in riding, email Ashley Pate [apat30@lsuhsc.edu](mailto:apat30@lsuhsc.edu)- spots are first come, first served!

Let's make this year's parade the best one yet—Geaux Tigers! 💜💛

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## FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

*New video monthly*

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

### November Video:

In this season of Thanksgiving, I'm thankful for our amazing faculty and our dedication to excellence in education! This is a short (under 7minutes) video that discusses components of a strong assessment statement. Whether you adopt this formula or stick with one of your own, I encourage you to spend time this month coaching your learners on a strong assessment statement to both enhance patient care and medical education.

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=hK4EgwOepyE>

## Manning Family Children's Announcements

### Grand Rounds

# Hybrid Pediatric Grand Rounds



Manning Family  
Children's  
LCMC Health

Nicholas Gagliano Professorship in Pediatric Emergency  
Medicine Presents:

**"Pediatric Mental Health Emergencies: Getting Kids In Crisis  
the Help They Need"**

**Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

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.pds.effinityced.com/>  
You will login to the same site to claim your CE at the conclusion of the activity.



Jennifer Hoffmann, MD, MS is an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Northwestern University and an Attending Physician in Pediatric Emergency Medicine at Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago. She is an NIH-funded physician-investigator whose research is focused on developing and testing brief interventions for children experiencing mental health emergencies, including suicidal thoughts and acute agitation. Dr. Hoffmann's research findings have been featured in major media outlets such as TIME Magazine, CNN, and US News and World Report. She also serves on the American Academy of Pediatrics Committee on Pediatric Emergency Medicine, which writes national policy statements for pediatric emergency care.

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

- Recognize recent trends in children's mental health emergency visits and boarding
- Illustrate inequities in mental health service use across population groups
- Demonstrate how a "learning health system" can drive innovations in care for pediatric mental health emergencies

**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.



## 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](mailto: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](#))

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## 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](mailto: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](#). Faculty members who would like a laminated copy can contact Tulane's Chief Residents, [Taylor Katt](#) and [Genesis Ricard](#).
- 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](mailto: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**

Colleen Bodet, 23 years  
Ricardo Gomez, 22 years  
Emily Masoumy, 6 years  
Susan Glass, 2 years  
Ernesto Mejia, 1 year  
Jeff DeMare, 1 year

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### **Share Your News!**

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



Submit information to the next Tuesday Tidbits

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