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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

Recent Scholarly Activity

Gratis faculty in the Division of Gastroenterology [Dr. Russell Zwiener](#) recently presented "Advanced Endoscopy in Pediatrics" at the American College of Gastroenterology/Louisiana Gastroenterology Society regional meeting. He was also voted to be the next vice president of the Louisiana GI Society (LGS) for the 2026-2027 year serving as the only pediatric representative for the entire society. [Congratulations](#) Dr. Zwiener!





LATINOS IN MEDICINE

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

Rock 'N' Bowl

March 25th, 2026

5-6pm



LSU Women's Health Research Consortium

This group is designed to connect students interested in research with faculty mentors and their research ideas. While many past projects focused on

women's health, we welcome all research topics that may benefit from student involvement.

We are currently building a database of research questions and projects submitted by faculty and residents. These may include chart reviews, quality improvement (QI) projects, case reports, and literature reviews. Some early-stage learners have also expressed interest in participating in prospective studies.

Once the database is complete, it will be shared with student members of the committee, who may select topics of interest, meet with principal investigators, and decide whether to move forward. The committee will provide guidance, instructional resources, and informational meetings focused on research project completion, common barriers, and best practices, while supporting students throughout the research process.

We recognize that residents and attendings have limited time, so we created a brief project submission form to make participation quick and easy and to help connect medical students with available research opportunities.

<https://forms.gle/P3XrxuGJ7cWKpCDU7>

Medical Education Scholarship Community Opportunities

Are you interested in diving deeper into medical education research and scholarship? There are new opportunities to jump in. Whether you are curious to learn more, have a project in mind, or just want to connect with other educators, you are welcome in the LSU SoM community for medical education scholarship.

You're invited join as we build skills, spark new ideas, and get involved in projects that make a real difference for learners and faculty alike. The Office of Faculty Affairs invites you to collaborate:

February 26th 4-5pm - in person, Lion's Building 6th floor, small conference room 5 - **Idea Incubator** - The first in a monthly, interactive series to share ideas, get feedback, identify collaborators, or request consultation and trouble shooting. Meetings will alternate between in person and Zoom. Participants may sign up to informally present their idea.

March 2nd noon - Zoom - **Lunch and Learn** - Join for a didactic session while you eat lunch. This session will offer an overview of education scholarship, including why it matters and how to recognize the scholarship potential in work you may already be doing.

April 8th 1pm - Zoom - **Writing accountability session** - After a brief introduction, we will dedicate time to writing. Bring a project in progress or data you've been meaning to develop into an abstract or manuscript. You can write independently or use breakout rooms for feedback and help with editing.

Contact Dr. Amy Creel acree1@lsuhsc.edu for calendar invites.

Check the [Faculty Development website](#) for additional dates and information.

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**

**The 14th Annual Quality Improvement and Patient Safety
Forum**



The 14th Annual

Quality Improvement & Patient Safety Forum

Friday, May 29, 2026
Lions Eye Center, 1st Floor
12pm–5pm

“Joint Commission and National Quality Forum Key Initiatives”

presented by



Elizabeth Drye, MD, SM

*Chief Scientific Officer
National Quality Forum
Joint Commission*

A call for abstract submissions will be sent February 23

Link: https://www.medschool.lsuhschool.edu/medical_education/graduate/EQuIP/qi_forum.aspx

Call For Abstracts

Just a reminder that abstract submissions for **the 14th Annual Quality Improvement and Patient Safety Forum** are now open! Submissions are open to students, residents, fellows, faculty, and staff from all LSUHSC schools. Abstract submissions for quality improvement and patient safety projects will be accepted through **March 30**. Submitters will be notified of acceptance no later than April 15, 2026.

Please encourage your residents and fellows to submit to the forum. To submit abstracts and for more information about this year’s forum, please visit the [QI Forum website](#).

The 14th Annual**Quality Improvement & Patient Safety Forum**

Friday, May 29, 2026 | Noon – 5:00 pm | LEC 130

CALL FOR ABSTRACTSSubmissions open to residents, students, and faculty of
all LSUHSC Schoolslsuh.sc/ms-qiforum**Submission Deadline: March 30****FACULTY DEVELOPMENT***New video monthly*For questions or comments regarding Faculty Development,
please contact [Amy Creel](#).**March Video: Clinical Teaching Simplified**

As we continue our mission of providing excellent medical education, check out this video. It provides a simple, efficient and effective method of teaching medical students and residents in a variety of clinical settings. It addresses major concerns (TIME!) and provides practical tips, and there are great references for those who would like to learn more.

<https://vimeo.com/89625533>

Manning Family Children's Announcements**Grand Rounds****Please note that we have a new Zoom link:**

<https://lsuhsc.zoom.us/j/97010003211>. You must have a Zoom login to enter the meeting; you will no longer be able to join using only the meeting ID.

Hybrid Pediatric Grand Rounds



Manning Family
Children's
LCMC Health

More Than Milestones: Developmental and Behavioral Health Screening in Pediatric Primary Care

Wednesday, March 18, 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/97010003211>

Meeting ID: 970 1000 3211:

Register for this session by visiting <https://manningchildrens.cds.affinityced.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 the MFC Academic Pediatric Clinic.
- Review the AAP Bright Futures developmental and behavioral health screening recommendations.
- Explore methods that provide support to at-risk patients, encourage resiliency.
- Apply validated screening tools to clinical case presentations to guide evaluation, referral, and management decisions.
- Describe the role of ECSS and other community-based services in supporting children and families.

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.



Dr. Patrice B. Evers is Section Chief of General Academic Pediatrics and Vice Chair for Clinical Affairs in the Department of Pediatrics at Tulane University School of Medicine. She also holds the Suzanne S. Schaeffer Chair in Primary Care. Dr. Evers is a board-certified pediatrician with extensive experience in clinical care, medical education, and community health. She serves as Medical Director for both the Florida Parishes Juvenile Detention Center and the New Orleans Juvenile Justice Intervention Center and has been recognized with numerous awards for excellence in clinical care and teaching, including the 2024 Master Pediatrician Award from the Louisiana Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics. She is also the recipient of her latest award, the 2026 University Health System Clinical Teacher of the Year.

Dr. Elizabeth Watkins is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Pediatrics at Tulane University School of Medicine and serves as Associate Program Director for the Tulane Pediatrics Residency Program. She is an attending physician in the Newborn Nursery and Tulane Academic Clinic, where she is actively involved in resident education and continuity clinic curriculum development. Dr. Watkins is board-certified pediatrician recognized for her excellence in teaching and clinical care, receiving multiple honors in 2025 including Attending of the Year and the Scott H. Davis Award for Outstanding Contributions to Education.

Dr. Sarah Hinshaw, PhD, LCSW is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at Tulane University School of Medicine and a licensed clinical social worker specializing in infant and early childhood mental health. She serves as Clinical Director for Early Childhood Supports & Services and is a psychotherapist with the Trauma and Grief Center at Children's Hospital New Orleans. Dr. Hinshaw's work focuses on supporting young children and families through trauma-informed care, early childhood mental health consultation, and policy initiatives that strengthen child and family well-being.



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

How is parking reimbursed for a local conference?

Although Travel Priors are not required for local conferences, you must decide in advance whether you will be requesting reimbursement for parking. If parking reimbursement is requested, the conference will follow the same guidelines as an out-of-state conference, and an approved Travel Prior is required before any expenses are paid, including the conference registration fee. For conferences held in the New Orleans Metropolitan area, both the parking expense and the conference registration fee must be processed through the Travel Voucher reimbursement process. While the conference registration fee may be placed on a P-Card, if parking is being claimed, all related expenses must follow Travel Voucher guidelines, and the conference registration fee cannot be paid until the Travel Prior has been fully approved.

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

Sheri Russell-Cromwell, 12 years

Dedrick Moulton, 3 years

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