

August 19, 2025



School of Medicine
Department of Pediatrics

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

LA AAP Master Pediatrician



Pediatric Hospital Medicine's [Dr. Robin English](#) received the Master Pediatrician Award at the LA AAP's annual conference this past weekend here in New Orleans. Congratulations, Dr. English, on this well deserved honor!

Welcome Dr. Caitlin Creel



The LSU Department of Pediatrics welcomes Dr. Caitlin Creel as Assistant Professor of Clinical Pediatrics in the Division of Palliative Care. Dr. Creel earned both her Doctor of Medicine and Master of Public Health from LSUHSC-NO in 2020. She went on to complete her Pediatric Residency at the University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center in Memphis in 2023, followed by a Hospice and Palliative Medicine Fellowship from the University of Texas Southwestern in Dallas in 2024, achieving board certification in both specialties. During her fellowship, Dr. Creel presented her work at regional and national conferences, including the Annual Assembly of Hospice and Palliative Medicine. She has spent the past year as an Assistant Professor at UT Southwestern and served as a Palliative Care physician at Parkland Hospital in Dallas. We are pleased to welcome Dr. Creel back to the LSUHSC community where she joins her husband, Dr. Colten Creel, a new Infectious Disease faculty member in the Department of Medicine. Welcome to the LSU Pediatrics family, Dr. Creel!

Recent Scholarly Activity



Several faculty in the Department of Pediatrics presented at the Louisiana AAP Meeting this past weekend. Pictured above: Kyle Fulton, Jeffrey Surcouf, Regina Zambrano, Ricardo Gomez, Julie Gallois, Shubho Sarkar, Marcella Houser, and William Morgan.



Pediatric Neurology's **Dr. Rashmi Rao** recently participated in the American Academy of Neurology's Palatucci Advocacy Leadership Forum. She was one of 30 international participants.

Dr. Rao will also present a lecture about migraines and school this week through the American Migraine Foundation. It is free for anyone to join! Link below.

Thursday, August 21, 2025 at 5:00 PM

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_YM5iT1JJSe28uhYsqmYGnQ#/registration

Department Poster Printing

Faculty, fellows, and residents in the Department of Pediatrics may use the department's printing services for scientific meeting posters. Send the following to Ashley Pate, apat30@lsuhsc.edu, at least 3 business days before a poster is needed in hand:

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Pediatric Symposium Series: A Focus on Pediatric Endocrinology



HUMAN GROWTH FOUNDATION ENDOCRINE EDUCATION DAY

In collaboration with: **Manning Family Children's**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 • 8:30 AM TO 1:30 PM

Manning Family Children's

Worley Hall • Floor 1
210 State St. New Orleans, LA 70118

4 CE Units and 4 CMEs

Breakfast and Lunch Provided

Join HGF for a day filled with insightful learning!



**GOITERS AND
THYROID NODULES**

Presented by
Dr. Ricardo Gomez



**DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT'S
TOO LATE: IDENTIFYING
THE ADOLESCENT WHO
WILL STOP GROWING
PREMATURELY**

Presented by
Dr. Stuart Chalew



**PREMATURE THELARCHE,
PUBARCHÉ, AND
MENARCHE AND WHEN
TO WORRY**

Presented by
Dr. Dania Felipe



**PEDIATRIC BONE
HEALTH: BASICS
AND BEYOND**

Presented by
Dr. Arlette Soros



**CURRENT SCREENING
RECOMMENDATIONS AND
AVAILABLE TREATMENTS
FOR CHILDREN AT RISK
FOR TYPE 1 DIABETES**

Presented by
Dr. Brantlee McConaughy



**DELAYED PUBERTY
AND WHEN TO WORRY**

Presented by
Dr. Patrick Quebedeaux



**AN UPDATE ON
MEDICATIONS FOR
OBESITY MANAGEMENT**

Presented by
Dr. Mary A Younger- Rossi



**ENDOCRINE
CONSEQUENCES OF
CANCER TREATMENT**

Presented by
Dr. Isabella Marranzini

FREE, MANDATORY ONLINE REGISTRATION: **HGFOUND.ORG/EVENTS**

Manning Family Children's in partnership with the Human Growth Foundation invites you to our next Pediatric Saturday Symposium Series: A Focus on Pediatric Endocrinology, held on Saturday September 6, 2025 at Worley Hall at Manning Family Children's State Street Campus.

This is an educational program specifically directed towards the pediatrician, but it is open to all other interested physicians, nurse practitioners, residents, medical students, nurses, and allied health professionals caring for patients with endocrine issues. We hope that you can take advantage of this unique opportunity to network with your peers and learn from clinical experts. Registration information will be shared within the next few weeks. Learn more about the Human Growth Foundation [here](https://hgfound.org).

Faculty and Staff Training Opportunities

PROFESSIONALISM IN THE WORKPLACE

**NEW
TRAINING !**

Intended Audience: All Faculty and Staff!

**After this workshop, you will
be able to:**

- ✓ Define professionalism and describe behaviors that demonstrate it in the workplace.
- ✓ Learn how to apply strategies and skills that exhibit professionalism in daily workplace situations.

August 13, 2025

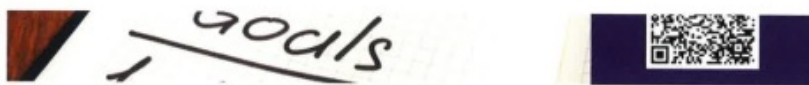
August 26, 2025

LEC Room 632 9:30 –10:30 am



August 7, 2025

DS Admin 2203 9:00 –10:00 am



TRAINING SCHEDULE

AUGUST

10 AM - 11 AM	LEADERSHIP FUNDAMENTALS: COMMUNICATION August 6th Lions Eye Building Room 544
10 AM - 11 AM	EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE August 12th Lions Eye Building Room 544
1 PM - 2 PM	TOUGH TALKS August 21st Lions Eye Building Room 544
10 AM - 11 AM	COMMUNICATING EFFECTIVELY August 7 th Dental School Admin 2203 & August 27 th Lions Eye Building Room 632
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM	PROFESSIONALISM IN THE WORKPLACE August 7 th Dental School, Admin 2203 &

Clinical Methods for Nutrition and Obesity Research

This four-day intensive course will include didactic seminars, hands-on or observational training and data analysis workshops covering methodologies in body composition, carbohydrate metabolism, exercise testing, and energy requirements & expenditure. Opportunities for career development and poster presentations will also be available.

NIDDK Supported Course

Clinical Methods for Nutrition and Obesity Research

- Hands-on training in gold standard and cutting-edge methodologies
- For advanced graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and early career faculty
- Career development opportunities



Grant Number: 5R25DK137743



Pennington Biomedical
Research Center
Louisiana State University

Dates: October 6-9, 2025

Location: In-person at Pennington Biomedical Research Center, Baton Rouge, LA

Registration: Free. A \$500 stipend will be provided for travel. Hotel and local transportation are covered. Receipt of stipend is contingent upon signing an agreement that the return flight on October 9 will be after the course concludes at 2:00 PM.

Application: Applicants should demonstrate involvement in obesity, nutrition, or a related research field; benefit from using the methods taught in this course; and show a trajectory toward becoming an independent investigator. Completed applications must be received by September 1st and must include:

- Application form
- NIH Biosketch
- Letter of recommendation from your mentor or department chair

Please share this information with anyone that may be interested!

<https://www.pbrc.edu/training-and-education/Scientific-Education-and-Training/clinical-methods-diabetes-digestive-kidney-diseases-course/>

Evacuation Readiness Resources for Families with Medically Complex Children

A multidisciplinary team—including physicians, nurses, social workers, pharmacists, nutritionists, and family representatives—has created a booklet to help families with medically complex children prepare for emergencies. These booklets are available on the [Children's Hospital New Orleans Emergency Preparedness website](#) and include a QR code for easy access.

Providers are encouraged to use the smartphrase “**emerprepMFC**” in the AVS and discharge instructions to share this resource with families. Clinics are also asked to print and post the flyer in visible areas to help spread awareness.



Faculty Development Summer School Series

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Mark your calendars for this summer's faculty development workshop series! All sessions will be held in the **Hospital Large Conference Rooms on Wednesdays at noon**. Lunch is provided.

Instructions for accessing recordings of these sessions will be shared at a later date. Thank you!



How to Improve Your EPIC Experience

Presented by Dr. Shubho Sarkar
July 9 & August 6
*bring a laptop!



Making the Most of Mentorship

Presented by Dr. Lucio Miele
July 30 & August 13



Tips for Effective Feedback

*Presented by Dr. Leslie Reilly
and Dr. Caroline Roth*
July 16 & August 20



Improve Your Relationship with Your Computer

Presented by Emma Simon, MBA
July 23 & August 27
*bring a laptop!

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

New video monthly

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

August Video: One Minute Preceptor

Efficient teaching during day-to-day clinical work is possible. This short video demonstrates and breaks down the One Minute Preceptor technique for concise clinical teaching. Whether you're new to teaching or an old pro, adding more tools and techniques will help us all achieve excellence in our educational mission.

<https://vimeo.com/76305964>

Manning Family Children's Announcements

Grand Rounds

Grand Rounds is on summer break and will resume on September 3rd.

Please join us for the Faculty Development Summer School Series, held every Wednesday in July and August. We look forward to your participation!

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](#). 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](#))
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- 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

Diego Aviles, 31 years
Gary Duhon, 26 years
Jerussa Aita-Levy, 25 years
Caroline Straatmann, 10 years
Nihal Godiwala, 9 years
William Morgan, 9 years
Elizabeth Wisner, 8 years
James Krulisky, 7 years
Colleen LeBlanc, 6 years
Zachary Daniels, 4 years
Mary Johnson, 4 years
Peter Joslyn, 4 years
Kayla Phelps, 3 years
Mandy Nasworthy, 2 years
Molly Sonenklar, 2 years

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