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LSU Pediatrics Tuesday Tidbits

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LSU Pediatrics Announcements



Dr. Mike Evers Expands Care for Complex Infant Conditions

Manning Family Children's is expanding specialized care for Louisiana's most fragile infants with the addition of Neonatology's [Dr. Michael Evers](#), the state's first fellowship-trained infant complex care specialist.

Dr. Evers recently spoke with FOX 8 about the new program and the expanded services available to infants with complex medical needs. His expertise will help provide specialized, coordinated care for some of Louisiana's most medically vulnerable babies and their families. Watch video [here](#).

This new service represents an important step forward in advancing comprehensive care for infants with complex conditions across the state.

Back-to-School Allergy Tips from Dr. Andrew Abreo

As families prepare for a new school year, Allergy/Immunology's **Dr. Andrew Abreo** shares important tips for parents of children with allergies.

Dr. Abreo discusses how families can prepare for the school year, including working with schools and caregivers to ensure children have the appropriate allergy plans and medications in place. Planning ahead can help families feel more confident and help keep children safe and



healthy throughout the school year.

Watch the clip >> [FOX 8: LSU Health Back-to-School Allergy Tips](#)

3rd Year of the General Pediatrics Interest Group

Congratulations on the 3rd year of the General Pediatrics Interest Group! A special thank you to our 2025–2026 GPIG Leads, **Dr. Williams Arnold** and **Dr. Danielle Sketchler**, and to all of our dedicated members. We had an exciting and impactful year filled with opportunities to learn, connect, and explore careers in General Pediatrics.

Please join us in congratulating our new 2026–2027 GPIG Leads, **Dr. Cambria Boone** and **Dr. Hannah Sibley**! The new year is already off to a great start following our first meeting last week.

We look forward to another outstanding year of exploring and preparing for careers in General Pediatrics after residency, with a great lineup of informative topics, engaging discussions, and inspiring speakers.

Congratulations to our faculty Founder and Advisor **Dr. Kimiyo Harris-Williams**, Ambulatory Pediatrics Division Chief, for her continued leadership and dedication to the General Pediatrics Interest Group!





Grand Rounds Returns Wednesday September 2nd!

GRAND ROUNDS

Returning
SEPTEMBER 2ND!

Join us as we kick off a new season of learning, collaboration, and excellence in pediatric care.



ENGAGE.

Expert-led presentations on topics that impact pediatric care.



LEARN.

Stay informed on the latest advances and best practices.



COLLABORATE.

Build connections and strengthen our community of care.



Mark your calendar!

Grand Rounds returns
Wednesday, September 2nd.



TOGETHER, ADVANCING CHILD HEALTH.

Medical Legal Partnership



MEDICAL LEGAL PARTNERSHIP

Medical Legal Partnership (MLP): A partnership of Loyola New Orleans College of Law, Law Clinic & Manning Family Children's Hospital. The MLP helps patients and families address civil legal issues that directly affect health, safety, and family stability.

When to refer?

Refer a patient or caregiver if legal issues are impacting health or care, including, but not limited to:

- Housing - Eviction, Security Deposit Return, Living Conditions
- Family - Uncontested Divorce, Uncontested Custody, Grandparent Rights, Name Change, Emancipation, Paternity
- Domestic Violence - Restraining Orders
- Public Benefit Denials - SNAP, Medicaid, Social Security (Not Applications)
- Disability - Continuing Tutorship, Interdiction, Special Needs Trust
- Small Successions & Estate Planning - Wills, Power of Attorney, Advance Directives
- Education - Advocacy, IEP, Accommodations, Access, including for Hospitalized Youth
- Immigration Limited to Youth (not part of control trial evaluation described below)

Who can be referred?

- Patients
- Parents, caregivers, or legal guardians
- Siblings of pediatric patients

How to refer?

- Option 1: Submit a referral on the resource tab in EPIC or by scanning the QR code.
- Option 2: Contact Jodie "Trey" Roberts, Manager of Social Services, at trey.roberts@LCMHealth.org or 504-508-0951.



Questions?

For more information, contact mlp@loyno.edu or 504-861-5775.

All referrals will be screened by hospital social workers to address non-legal patient and family needs. MLP legal services are not guaranteed. Non-immigration referrals for legal services are part of a research study conducted in partnership with the Access to Justice Lab at Harvard Law School, which is overseeing a control trial of legal intervention in this hospital setting.



Mark Your Calendars Research Day May 14, 2027

Save the Date!

2027 PEDIATRIC RESEARCH DAY



Join **Manning Family Children's**,
LSU Pediatrics, and **Tulane Pediatrics**
as we celebrate
Pediatric Research Day on Friday,
May 14th from 8 am - 5 pm in Worley Hall.
Faculty and trainees of all levels will
be invited to share their research.

FRIDAY,
MAY
14,
2027

8:00 AM –
5:00 PM



ORAL
PRESENTATIONS



POSTER
SESSIONS



COLLABORATION
& DISCOVERY



WORLEY HALL

Manning Family
Children's
New Orleans, LA



**Manning Family
Children's**
LCMC Health



School of Medicine
Department of Pediatrics



**TULANE
UNIVERSITY**
School of Medicine
Department of Pediatrics

Opportunity to Volunteer

We're looking for anyone who is interested in volunteering to help support Research Day. If you're interested in assisting with Planning, Abstract Reviewer, Judge, Moderator or other activities, please complete the volunteer interest form below:

Volunteer Interest Form: [Pediatric Research Day 2027 – Fill out form](#)

Thank you for helping make Research Day a success!

Pre-Didactic Survey

You are being invited to participate in a research study using anonymous pre-didactic session and post-didactic surveys to explore the communication barriers that exist in intensive care unit (ICU) settings when physicians and/or providers update patients and/or families with limited English proficiency (LEP). The goal is to determine if any of these barriers are modifiable to improve overall communication with LEP families and/or patients. Subjects will be recruited based on being members of a residency or fellowship program that rotates at Manning Family Children's or being an attending physician or advanced practice provider that works in or consults on patients in one of the intensive care units at Manning Family Children's. *Participation requires that you have been involved in the care of a patient in an ICU setting with LEP.*

Pre-Didactic Survey Link: <https://redcap.lsuohsc.edu/redcap/surveys/?s=LEME97M7PAHEPKNM>

This survey has been reviewed by the IRB at Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center New Orleans (LSUHSC-NO). It will take approximately 5-10 minutes to complete the survey. Your participation is completely voluntary, and by clicking on the link below and completing the survey, you give us your consent to use your survey data in the study. Attached to this email is an information sheet describing the study in more detail.

After the pre-didactic survey window has closed, there will be education sessions both generally at a Pediatric Grand Rounds in more didactic style and individual resident and ICU-specific didactic sessions followed by a short post-didactic session survey.

If you would like to be entered in a \$50 gift card raffle to a local coffee shop as appreciation for survey completion, please email Dr. Hayes Aguilar at vrobe5@lsuhsc.edu to inform of survey completion. The first 15 participants to email Dr. Aguilar will be entered in the raffle, and Dr. Aguilar will contact the winner to arrange gift card delivery.

If you have further questions about this study, please contact Dr. Hayes Aguilar at vrobe5@lsuhsc.edu. If you have questions about the rights of research participants, please contact the LSUHSC-NO Institutional Review Board at IRBOffice@lsuhsc.edu or (504) 568-4970.

Manning Family Children's Time Studies

It's that time of year again – **Manning Family Children's Annual Physician Time Studies** will be collected over these three weeks:

Week 1: Monday, September 14 – Sunday, September 20

Week 2: Monday, September 21 – Sunday, September 27

Week 3: Monday, September 28 – Sunday, October 4

Please follow the instructions below to generate your time studies and send them to [Kelly Allerton](#). She will collect all of LSU Pediatrics' Faculty time studies on a weekly basis and send to Manning Family Children's Accounting office as a group. In case you need it, Manning Family Children's Accounting office sent [helpful examples and instructions](#).

Generating and Printing your Weekly Time Study:

1. Complete your timesheet as you normally do in the LSU [time tracking system](#).
2. Once you record time at Manning Family Children's*, you will see a button labeled "Print Hospital Time Studies" on the Timesheet Actions tab. Click that button each week and generate your Time Study. If needed, [step-by-step instructions can be found here](#).
3. If the "Print Hospital Time Studies" button does not show up, save the timesheet, then go to the "My Timesheets" tab and click "Open Current Timesheet". This will cause a refresh and the "Print Hospital Time Studies" button will be visible on the Timesheet Actions tab.
4. Remember to sign and date your time study.
5. **Send your time study weekly to [Kelly Allerton](#) on each of the following Mondays: September 21, 28, October 5.**

* If you do not record time at MFC, the "Print Hospital Time Studies" will not show up. Please contact Kelly if this is the case.

Background:

Each year the Medicare and Medicaid programs require Manning Family Children's to conduct a time study of the physician services provided at the hospital. Completion of these forms is extremely important in determining the hospital's reimbursements for resident training and administrative functions.

Pennington Biomedical Research Center's Annual Childhood Obesity Conference September 24, 2026

August 1, 2026: Early Bird Registration Deadline

August 21, 2026: Abstract Submission Deadline

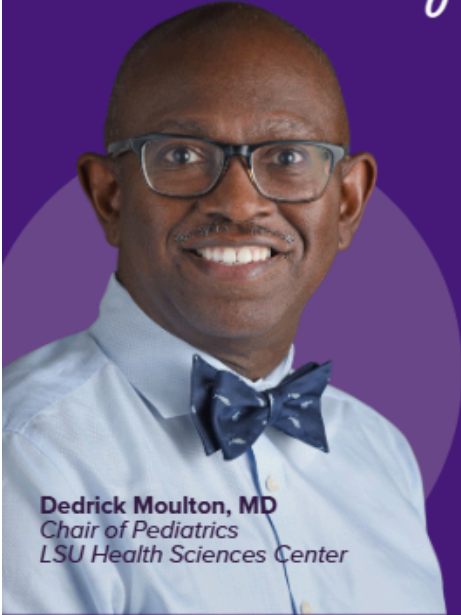
September 13, 2026: Registration Deadline

Click link for registration and more information:

<https://event.auctria.com/3679d74d-2afb-4f84-b843-6fbd582b7cc4/aa6cd270-8751-11e9-a741-3fcfcb35cbb0>

Welcoming

Dr. Dedrick Moulton
KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Dedrick Moulton, MD
Chair of Pediatrics
LSU Health Sciences Center

REGISTER NOW

Pennington Biomedical Research Center's
Annual Childhood Obesity Conference

**BE THE REASON KIDS
GREAX HEALTHY**



September 24



**C.B. Pennington Jr.
Conference Center**



Pennington Biomedical
Research Center
Louisiana State University

Pennington Biomedical
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Healthy**



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.

This video features PHM fellow Dr. Jantzen Collette
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0tSJGiA2HKc>



Stay prepared, stay safe

Emergency preparedness checklist for medically complex children



Our team of providers, social workers, and medical professionals created a checklist to help ensure you and your child have a solid plan in place for **any emergency**.



Scan the QR code to download the
checklist booklet

manningchildrens.org



**Manning Family
Children's**
LCMC Health

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

New video monthly

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

August Video:

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.

Manning Family Children's Announcements

Grand Rounds

Grand Rounds is will resume on September 2nd.

Travel/Reimbursement Corner

Foundation Reimbursement - 60 Day Deadline

The Foundation has adopted an accountable plan that meets IRS regulations. In that any reimbursement request submitted 60 days after the date of expense will be treated as taxable to the employee. The best way to ensure this doesn't happen is to submit receipts soon after the event/travel takes place. You have the option to receive reimbursement via check or direct deposit. If you choose direct deposit and we don't receive the direct deposit form back from you in time to make the 60-day deadline we will go ahead and submit a request for check reimbursement to avoid taxable income

Department Wellness

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

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

Physician Well Being 2025 Survey. ([Results](#))

Time Wellness Survey 2024. ([Results](#))



Working Moms' Lunch Book Exchange

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 2026-2027 academic year! ([Resident](#), [Fellow](#), [Faculty](#), and [Admin Staff](#)).
- The Tulane Resident Composite for the 2026-2027 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.

Additional Resources

- 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, 32 years
Gary Duhon, 27 years
Jerussa Aita-Levy, 26 years
Caroline Straatmann, 11 years
Nihal Godiwala, 10 years
William Morgan, 10 years
Elizabeth Wisner, 9 years
James Krulisky, 8 years
Colleen LeBlanc, 7 years
Zachary Daniels, 5 years
Mary Johnson, 5 years
Peter Joslyn, 5 years
Kayla Phelps, 4 years
Mandy Nasworthy, 3 years
Molly Sonenklar, 3 years
Caitlin Creel, 1 year
Mary-Elizabeth Lago, 1 year
Isabella Marranzini, 1 year

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