Congratulations to our Pediatric Faculty who were recognized in Seattle Magazine’s 2020 List of Top Doctors!!

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Cora Breuner, MD  
Daniel. A. Doherty, MD/PhD  
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Douglas. S. Hawkins, MD  
Ghassan Wahbeh, MD  
Gregory Redding, MD  
Heather Brandling-Bennett, MD  
Jack. C. Salerno, MD  
Janet. A. Englund, MD  
Jodi Smith, MD  
Jordan. M. Symons, MD  
Joseph. T. Flynn, MD  
Julie. R. Park, MD  
Maida Chen, MD  
Maneesh Batra, MD  
Margaret. P. Adam, MD  
Mark Lewin, MD  
Patricia. Y. Fechner, MD  
Robert Sidbury, MD  
Ronald Gibson, MD/PhD  
Samuel. H. Zinner, MD  
Sarah Ringold, MD  
Stephen. P. Seslar, MD/PhD  
Thomas. S. Lendvay, MD  
William. O. Walker, Jr, MD
For COVID-19 Updates please see the email attached.

Please visit the following link for up to date information from Seattle Children’s. (Must be logged in to a Seattle Children’s account to connect)

Please visit the following link for up to date information from the University of Washington, School of Medicine.

A Message from Pediatrics HR:

Greetings Pediatrics Staff,

Effective Monday, April 13th, all workforce members physically present at UW facilities will need to complete The School of Medicine Self-Attestation Form daily to fulfill the new School of Medicine requirement for self-attestation. The survey will allow workforce members to self-assess and report whether or not they are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19. Please note that this requirement applies to both staff and faculty. This survey is being implemented in an effort to further promote a safe workplace for those employees that have been deemed “critical” who must come into the workplace.

The School of Medicine Self-Attestation Form is a Catalyst survey that will need to be completed each day by any employee visiting or reporting for work in-person at a UW facility, including the Health Sciences Building, South Lake Union, and any other School of Medicine non-clinical worksite. Personnel deployed at a UW Medicine site of care should complete the SOM attestation only on days they come in but do not go to clinical settings and attest at the clinical environment.

Pediatrics HR has been compiling a list of “critical” employees we know are currently working at any UW facilities in-person. A daily reminder to complete the survey will be sent to these employees designated as “critical.”

If you have any employee that needs to be physically present at a UW facility that has not already been communicated to HR, please let us know so that we can include them in our distribution list.

Thank you all for your perseverance during this challenging and rapidly-changing situation and for helping to keep each other safe. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns.
A Message from Dr. Leslie Walker-Harding:

Dear Colleagues,

I am happy to announce that Drs. Scott Baker and Todd Cooper have agreed to serve as the Co-Interim Chief’s for the Division of Hematology-Oncology in the Department of Pediatrics.

Scott Baker, MD, MS has been on faculty since 2009 and is Professor of Pediatrics and holds the Gerald and Gloria Swanson Family Endowed Chair in Pediatric Bone Marrow Transplantation Research. He also is the Director of Pediatric Blood and Marrow Transplant Program and Cancer Survivor Program.

Todd Cooper, DO has been on faculty since 2015 and is a Professor of Pediatrics and holds the Evans Family Endowed Chair in Pediatric Cancer. He serves as the Director of the Pediatric Leukemia and Lymphoma program. Together Scott and Todd will report directly to me and partner to serve the Division’s broad faculty presence at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, University of Washington, Seattle Children’s Hospital and Research Institute. Please join me in congratulating them as they take on critical leadership positions in the Department.

I also want to thank Dr. Doug Hawkins for his leadership. Doug has served as Division Chief for the Hematology Oncology Division since September 2017. Prior to taking on that role he served as Associate Division Chief for 10 years. Effective March 20, 2020 Doug transitioned to Group Chair of the Children’s Oncology Group (COG). We are fortunate to have such an influential national leader in oncology within our Department and wish him well in his new responsibilities!

Funds available to support COVID-19 research provided by the Research Integration Hub:

The Seattle Children’s Research Integration Hub is announcing a funding opportunity focused on COVID-19 research. One-year projects should be focused on clinical and/or translational research. Funding ranges based on needs, and larger collaboration awards are available. Eligible investigators must be based at Seattle Children’s but can be from a variety of disciplines including physicians, nursing, respiratory therapy, etc. Proposals are due by April 30th, with award announcements made by May 15th. Additional information can be found on CHILD.
UPDATE - IMPORTANT ACTION REQUIRED: 2020 Annual Pediatric Activity and Progress Report Request

Thank you all for your dedication to the Department during this uncertain time. In order to make sure that you prioritize patient care as well as your own self-care, we will be adjusting the timeline for the 2020 Annual Review Process so that everyone has enough time to complete their progress reports and necessary meetings.

The changes to the timeline/due dates are as follows:

- Faculty will be given until June 30th for annual review meetings with their Division Chiefs.
- Materials (CV and completed progress report) are due to the Chair's office by June 30th.
  - Peer Teaching Evaluation names are also due by June 30th (if applicable; see below).
- Vice Chair reviews will be held between July 1-September 15.

If you have any questions please email PedsNews@seattlechildrens.org

A Message from Drs. Tumaini Coker and Jason Mendoza:

We are excited to open recruitment for the inaugural class of the Child Health Equity Research Program for Post-doctoral Trainees (CHERP-P-T) at the University of Washington School of Medicine (UW). This is a 2-year (optional 3rd-year) research fellowship program in child health equity research, funded by NICHD, which provides trainees with didactic training in rigorous health services and clinical research methodologies, and in community-partnered approaches to research, experiential research training, career development, and a long-term network of mentors, collaborators, and partners for child health equity research. Graduate-level coursework can be taken at the UW School of Public Health and can lead to a master's level Public Health degree, if desired. The fellowship is housed within the UW Department of Pediatrics, Division of General Pediatrics. The program directors are Tumaini Coker, MD, MBA, and Jason A. Mendoza, MD, MPH, faculty-scientists with expertise and NIH-grant funding focused on child health equity. This fellowship is unique in that one of its primary goals is to increase the number of underrepresented racial/ethnic minority (URM) researchers who are independently funded scientists in child health equity research. Our recruitment is focused on URM trainees; however, all applicants will be considered.

Our first two fellows will start in summer 2020. Please send a CV, Personal Statement, and three Letters of Recommendation to CHERPPT@uw.edu or contact us for more information.
II. IMPORTANT DATES


**Thursday, May 7: Grand Rounds.** 12-1PM via WebEx. “Neonatal Cholestasis: More Than Yellow Eyes and Pale Stools” presented by Niviann Blondet, MD, Acting Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, UW; Gastroenterology, Seattle Children’s. Contact Emily Rice, Emily.rice@seattlechildrens.org if you have any questions.

**Tuesday, May 5: Human Trafficking Workshop.** 3:30-5:30PM via WebEx only: 1-650-479-3207 Meeting number (access code): 289 201 203. Increase your awareness of human trafficking and the resources available to victims and reporters. This workshop has been updated to include the impacts of COVID on domestic violence, child abuse and interpersonal violence. The session will be held via WebEx and will be recorded and posted here at a later date. The session is also eligible for CE/CEU's. If you wish to obtain credit, please enroll via Learning Center and email CDHE when you have completed viewing.

**Wednesday, May 6: Abuse at Home: Harm Reduction Strategies During the COVID-19 Pandemic.** 3:30-4:10PM via WebEx only: 1-650-479-3207, Meeting number (access code): 282 103 292. During this time of unprecedented stress of the COVID-19 pandemic, patients and families are being told to go home and stay there for their safety and everyone else's. But home is not a safe option for everyone. Data suggests intimate partner violence and child abuse is increasing during this time of social distancing and quarantine. Three presenters from Seattle Children’s Odessa Brown Clinic will conduct a 40-minute online workshop to discuss the current state of intimate partner violence and child abuse, trends, and strategies to increase safety at home.

**Measurable Objectives**
Participants will know:
- The projections of intimate partner violence and child abuse during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Intimate partner violence resource utilization during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Effects of social distancing and quarantine across populations
- Abuse prevention and harm reduction strategies to use in the home
- Community resources for people experiencing abuse or violence in the homes

The session will be held via WebEx and will be recorded and posted here at a later date. The session is also eligible for CE/CEU's. If you wish to obtain credit, please enroll via Learning Center and email CDHE when you have completed viewing.
III. FACULTY NEWS

Drs. Patricia Fechner, Medical Director; Dave Werny, Assistant Medical Director; and Margaret Shnorhavorian and Mark Cain, Co-Surgical Directors are proud to announce that Seattle Children’s has been designated a Level 1 Comprehensive Care Center for Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia. This is a huge honor. They submitted a competitive application in early January and were selected to be one of the few Level 1 centers in the country. Thank you to everyone who helped make this happen!

Dr. Sara Webb began as the faculty director of the Office for Teaching, Education and Research (OTER) on February 1, 2020. She is a professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences and focuses her research on the functional neurobiology and development of information processing in individuals with autism spectrum disorder.

Dr. Linda Quan presented “Who CARES about drowning? A Call for the Inclusion of Supplemental Drowning Data in the CARES Registry.” At Breakfast with the Champions, Cardiac Arrest Survival Summit, December 12, 2019, Seattle, WA. And “Who lives, who dies after drowning?” at Congreso Nacional February 19, 2020 in Bogota, Colombia.

Dr. Linda Quan won the Paragon Award for Aquatic Safety, International Swimming Hall of Fame

Drs. Linda Quan and E Bennett presented “Lifejackets beyond the boat” at National Drowning Prevention Alliance Webinar.

The UW Pediatric Hospital Medicine Fellowship has received ACGME accreditation. We would like to welcome Courtney Gilliam, currently a Chief Resident, as our first fellow this summer!
IV. FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

**Dr. Bob Sun:** Association of Preeclampsia in term births with neurodevelopmental disorders in offspring. Sun B, Moster D, Harmon Q et al. JAMA Psychiatry. April 2020. [Link](#).


**Dr. Greg Valentine:** Global Health Training During Neonatal Fellowship: Fellow and Program Director Perspectives. Rent S, Valentine G, Ehret D, Kukora S. Journal of Perinatology. 2020 March. [Link](#).

**Dr. Shilpi Chabra:** Assessment and Management of Gastroesophageal Reflux in The Newborn. Chabra S, Peeples E. Pediatric Annals. February 2020. [Link](#).

**Dr. Evelyn Hsu:**

1. Improving the Predictive Ability of the Pediatric End-Stage Liver Disease Score for Young Children Awaiting Liver Transplant. Schladt DP, Wey A, Perito ER, Israni AK. *Am J Transplant*. [Link](#).

Dr. Abby Rosenberg:


Dr. Linda Quan:

1. Characteristics and Outcomes of AED use in Pediatric Cardiac Arrest in Public Settings: The Influence of Neighborhood Characteristics. Griffis, H.; Wu, L.; Naim, MY; Bradley, R; Tobin, J; McNally, B; Vellano, K; Quan, L; Markenson, D; Rossano, JW; the CARES Surveillance Group. (2019). Resuscitation. [Link](#).


V. FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

April 26, 2020: Clinical Research Scholars Program

May 1, 2020: Provost Bridge Funding Program. The Provost Office provides bridge funding to support faculty to span the gap in critical research programs.

May 15, 2020: Seattle Children’s Research Institute Career Development Award Please note that due to COVID-19, the deadline to submit applications for the Seattle Children’s Career Development Award has been extended from April 15 to May 15. Details on the revised timeline and more information can be found on the website: https://www.seattlechildrens.org/cda
June 26, 2020: Academic Enrichment Fund (AEF). The program’s purpose is to cultivate and support the scholarship and research of clinicians who devote the majority of their effort to clinical service at Seattle Children’s. This is an internal award. Awards range from $25,000 to $40,000 depending on PI application type. Applications are due June 26, 2020. For more information, visit the AEF program website. Questions? Contact AEF. Answers to many FAQs are also located in the application packet.

August 11, 2020: Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Medically Trained Scientist Program.

Accepted all year: The King County Nurses Association Community-Based Health Projects Grant Program

Accepted all year: ASXL Rare Disease Research Endowment Foundation

Please visit Seattle Children’s Research Funding Watch List or UW Office of Research for more information on funding opportunities.