Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital and Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital continues to grow—even after this directory is published. Please visit nm.org/luriechildrens for the most current list of pediatric medical and surgical specialists as well as service offerings and locations.
As one of the top pediatric providers in the U.S., Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago built its most comprehensive clinical partnership with Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital and Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital. This unique program offers patients access to Lurie Children’s physicians in 35 specialties at outpatient centers throughout the western suburbs, plus medical imaging, pediatric surgery, a pediatric emergency department, pediatric intensive care, neonatal intensive care and hospital inpatient units staffed by Lurie Children’s hospitalists, critical care specialists, emergency medicine specialists, radiologists and neonatologists.

With more than 150 board-certified pediatric specialists in this program, we strive to deliver the best care possible for every patient, every day. These physicians and services cover a comprehensive range of pediatric medical conditions—from the simple to the complex—that’s unmatched in the western suburbs.

As we look toward the future, our goal is to exemplify the highest standards in patient care and family experience in locations close to home. We look forward to partnering with you along the way.

Kind Regards,

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Lurie Children’s at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital and Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital
We offer comprehensive pediatric health care close to home using the latest child-focused technology, equipment and techniques to care for children in relaxed, family-friendly spaces.
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A unique pediatric program

Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital and Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital* is a unique pediatric program that does the following:

Joins two leading healthcare organizations to deliver comprehensive pediatric health care in Chicago's western suburbs and beyond

Brings experienced pediatric specialists close to home for your patients

Uses the latest child-specific technology, equipment and techniques to care for children in family-friendly spaces

More than 150 board-certified pediatric specialists on the Lurie Children’s medical staff are on the medical staffs at Central DuPage Hospital and/or Delnor Hospital. These pediatric specialists work with experienced pediatric nurses and other compassionate caregivers to treat thousands of infants, children and teens each year.

Referring physicians and their patients benefit from fully coordinated and comprehensive care close to home.

24-hour on-site inpatient pediatric expertise

Neonatologists, intensivists and hospitalists provide around-the-clock on-site services in the Central DuPage Hospital Level III Neonatal ICU, Pediatric ICU and general pediatric inpatient units. Private rooms, playrooms and procedure suites give families a child-friendly, child-focused place to heal.

For low-birth weight infants, premature infants and infants on mechanical ventilators, the state-of-the-art Level II-E Special Care Nursery at Delnor Hospital has seven beds with Lurie Children’s neonatologists and/or neonatal nurse practitioners providing 24-hour on-site care.

Central DuPage Hospital Pediatric Emergency Department

Board-certified pediatric emergency medicine specialists and compassionate, experienced nurses provide care in a child-focused environment. These experts have access to state-of-the-art technology, equipment specifically designed for children, and other pediatric services such as Lurie Children's medical imaging.

Central DuPage Hospital

Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
Pediatric Intensive Care Unit
Pediatric Emergency Department
Pediatric Inpatient Units
Pediatric Outpatient Center
Pediatric Inpatient and Outpatient Surgery
Pediatric Medical Imaging
Pediatric Telemedicine
Pediatric Infusion Center

Delnor Hospital

Special Care Nursery
Pediatric Outpatient Center
Pediatric Medical Imaging

Summary of services

* Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital and Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital is a collaborative program between Northwestern Memorial HealthCare and Lurie Children’s and its affiliated physician groups. The physicians participating in this program are neither agents nor employees of Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital or Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital.
Pediatric Emergency Department hours
Monday to Friday: 9 am – 1 am
Weekends and holidays: Noon to midnight

If a child needs emergency medical attention outside of Pediatric Emergency Department hours, families can expect dedicated, compassionate care in the general Central DuPage Hospital Emergency Department or Delnor Hospital Emergency Department.

Pediatric Outpatient Centers
The Pediatric Outpatient Center at Central DuPage Hospital offers convenient access to a comprehensive array of more than 30 pediatric specialties staffed by faculty of Lurie Children’s. The Pediatric Outpatient Center at Delnor Hospital provides five pediatric specialties through Lurie Children’s physicians.

Central DuPage Hospital Pediatric Infusion Center
Specially trained and certified pediatric nurses administer intravenous infusions and chemotherapy to pediatric patients. Child Life Services provides toys, activities and distractions to help make the experience as stress-free as possible.

Pediatric inpatient and outpatient surgery
Pediatric specialists perform surgeries for conditions related to acquired diseases, congenital and acquired malformations, and tumors. These surgical programs include the Lurie Children’s at Central DuPage Hospital Adolescent Bariatric Surgery program. Many procedures are completed through minimally invasive techniques that can shorten hospital stays and speed recovery.

Same-day surgery
Some minor surgeries may be performed as part of the Same-Day Surgery Program at Central DuPage Hospital. This option is offered to patients who meet specific surgical requirements. It includes an appointment in the morning to confirm that the patient is eligible for this surgical procedure. If so, the surgery is scheduled for the same day. The Same-Day Surgery Program is offered every Friday at Central DuPage Hospital with additional availability as needed.

Ronald McDonald House® near Central DuPage Hospital
Northwestern Medicine is committed to providing nationally recognized health care to the communities we serve. In keeping with this mission, Central DuPage Hospital and Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana (RMHC®-CNI) have built the first Ronald McDonald House in Chicago’s western suburbs. The Ronald McDonald House near Central DuPage Hospital is across the street from the hospital in Winfield, Illinois. The facility is one of only five in the Chicagoland area.

Advanced care for pediatric brain tumors
Lurie Children’s and Northwestern Medicine Proton Center* collaborate to offer patients with pediatric brain, head, neck or spine tumors access to proton therapy, an advanced form of cancer therapy that precisely targets radiation to tumors. In addition, Lurie Children’s multidisciplinary Brain Tumor Board plays an integral role in the clinical review of all patients who are undergoing treatment at the center for brain and central nervous system tumors. Lurie Children’s pediatric anesthesiologists provide services for children who need to be sedated for proton beam procedures. For more information, call 312.227.4847.

Pediatric medical imaging
All pediatric imaging at Central DuPage Hospital and Delnor Hospital is directed and interpreted by pediatric radiologists from Lurie Children’s. To review images and conduct studies requiring the services of a radiologist, a Lurie Children’s radiologist is on-site at Central DuPage Hospital from 8 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday.

Pediatric telehealth
Telehealth technology is used for real-time echocardiograms for patients at Central DuPage Hospital. The telemedicine team assists on-site pediatricians and intensivists in the identification and treatment of infants who have possible congenital heart disorders.

Child Life Program
The child life specialists at Central DuPage Hospital, Delnor Hospital and Northwestern Medicine Proton Center* are an integral part of the healthcare team, trained to support the psychosocial needs of children and their families through play, guidance, education and self-expressive activities. They are committed to the practice of family-centered care to relieve a child’s fear and anxiety through therapeutic play and distraction techniques as well as to address the needs of siblings affected by a child’s illness/hospitalization. Each child life specialist has a bachelor’s or master’s degree with an emphasis on human growth and development, education, psychology or a related field.

*The physicians who practice at the Northwestern Medicine Proton Center are neither agents nor employees of Northwestern Memorial HealthCare or any of its affiliate organizations. These physicians have selected our facilities as the place where they want to treat and care for their private patients.
Pediatric physicians by specialty

**Adolescent Bariatric Surgery**
Thomas Inge, MD, PhD

**Allergy***
Timothy J. Brown, MD

**Cardiology**
Ahmad Chaouki, MD  
R. Andrew de Freitas, MD  
Paul Kim, MD  
Shivani Patel, MD  
Michael Satzer, MD  
Farshad Sedaghat-Yazdi, MD  
R. Gregory Webster, MD

**Cardiovascular-Thoracic Surgery**
Michael Mongé, MD  
Osama Eltayeb, MD  
Sunjay Kaushal, MD, PhD

**Child Maltreatment and Protection**
Melissa Manrique, MD

**Dermatology**
Brandi Kenner-Bell, MD  
Lacey C. Kruse, MD

**Emergency Medicine**
Arie Habis, MD  
Meta Carroll, MD  
Arati Chidi, DO  
Kristine Cieslak, MD  
Jennifer Colgan, MD  
Colleen Fant, MD, MPH  
Brian Hang, MD  
Joy M. Koopmans, MD  
Selina Varma Thomas, MD, MPH

**Endocrinology**
Mary McCauley, MD  
W. Patrick Zeller, MD*

**Gastroenterology**
Mark Fishbein, MD  
John E. Fortunato, Jr, MD  
C. Allan Pratt, MD, MPH  
Barry K. Wershil, MD

**General Surgery**
Thomas Inge, MD, PhD  
Fizan Abdullah, MD, PhD  
Anthony Chin, MD  
Alexander Dzakovic, MD  
Seth Goldstein, MD  
Julie Grabowski, MD  
Yue-yung Hu, MD  
Rashmi Kabre, MD  
Monica Langer, MD  
Timothy Lautz, MD  
Mehul Raval, MD  
Erin Rowell, MD

*Bolded names represent physician leadership

* Patient visits are scheduled at the pediatric specialist’s medical practice office, which is not located within the Lurie Children’s at Central DuPage Hospital or Delnor Hospital Pediatric Outpatient Centers.
Genetics
Carolyn Jones, MD, PhD

Hematology/Oncology
Ammar Hayani, MD
Aroop Kar, MD

Hospitalists
Melissa Manrique, MD
Uchenna Ewulonu, MD
Emily R. Kahn, MD
Kimberly Mazur, DO
Selvi Pillai, MD
Svetlana Serlin, DO
Lavanya Shankar, MD
Katherine Tribble, MD
Naser Zahran, MD
Rachel L. Zincone, MD

Infectious Disease
Bessey Geevarghese, DO

Intensivists
Ikram Akhtar, MD
Elizabeth Bello, MD
Grant Hahn, MD
Vytautas Sapiega, MD

Neonatology
Jeffrey Loughead, MD
Michael Balbus, MD
Shivani Desai, MD
Corryn Greenwood, MD
Kacie McMahon, MD
Ashok Mehta, MD
Shobhana Ravikumar, MD

Nephrology
Ronald Kallen, MD

Neurology
Steven Coker, MD
Yolanda Holler-Managan, MD
Murad M. Omery, MD
Talia Shear, MD
Diana Sieciechowicz, MD

Neuro-oncology*
Rudy Allen, MD
Angela Waanders, MD, MPH

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery*
Mark Erickson, DDS
Herbert Stith, DDS

Orthopaedic Surgery
Aimee Brasher, MD
John Grayhack, MD
Joseph Janicki, MD
Laura Lemke, MD
Michelle Sagan, MD

Pain Medicine
Santhanam Suresh, MD
David Krodell, MD
Ravi Shah, MD
Angelica Vargas, MD

Psychiatry
Agnes Costello, MD
Jamie Pacis, MD
Katie Richards, MD
Nouzha Tazi, MD

Psychology
Kate Benton, PhD
Caroline Fulton, PsyD

Pulmonology
Janaki Paskaradevan, MD
Luis Torero, MD

Radiology
Cynthia Rigsby, MD
Naseem Shakir, MD
Ellen Benya, MD
Lindsay M. Griffin, MD
Alok Jaju, MD
Mariam Kappil, MD
Jillian Krauss, MD
Jackson Norman III, MD
Andrada Popescu, MD
Francis Prendergast, MD
Carla Quijano, MD
Esther Ro, MD
Martha Saker, MD
Mary Wyers, MD

Urology
Earl Cheng, MD
Bruce Lindgren, MD
Dennis Liu, MD
Derek Matoka, MD

Wellness and Weight Management
Helen Binns, MD, MPH

Bolded names represent physician leadership

* Patient visits are scheduled at the pediatric specialist’s medical practice office, which is not located within the Lurie Children’s at Central DuPage Hospital or Delnor Hospital Pediatric Outpatient Centers.
Skilled Pediatric Inpatient and Surgical Care

Whether your patient needs emergency medical treatment or requires pediatric surgical care, Lurie Children’s at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital and Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital provides Lurie Children’s expertise, conveniently located in the western suburbs.

**Experienced medical teams, 24/7**

Lurie Children's at Central DuPage Hospital and Delnor Hospital medical professionals are committed to providing compassionate, skilled care focused on your patient’s wellness. For the most critical inpatient needs, Lurie Children’s neonatologists staff the Central DuPage Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and the Special Care Nursery at Delnor Hospital; pediatric intensivists and hospitalists staff the Central DuPage Hospital Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU). These specialists are available for consultation in the general Central DuPage Hospital Pediatric Inpatient Unit as well.

- The Central DuPage Hospital Pediatric Emergency Department includes board-certified pediatric emergency medicine specialists to care for infants, children and adolescents experiencing a medical or behavioral health emergency.

- Pediatric radiologists are available on-site at Central DuPage Hospital and remotely to direct and interpret medical images and scans.

- Experienced medical staff—from specially trained pediatric nurses to skilled technicians—provide supportive care.
NICU—Central DuPage Hospital

In the Central DuPage Hospital Level III NICU, neonatologists from Lurie Children's are on-site 24/7, using state-of-the-art technology and therapies to help ensure the best possible care. The NICU has private rooms, which enable parents and babies to be together in a quiet environment that promotes healing and growth.

Jeffrey Loughead, MD
Medical Director, Pediatrics; Neonatologist Site Leader

Medical school: University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, 1983
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in neonatal-perinatal medicine, University of Cincinnati; residency in pediatrics and chief resident in pediatrics, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
Board certifications: Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Pediatrics

Michael Balbus, MD

Medical school: State University of New York School of Medicine, 1985
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in neonatal-perinatal medicine, Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital; residency in pediatrics, Long Island Jewish Hospital
Board certifications: Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Pediatrics

Shivani Desai, MD

Medical school: University of Illinois, 2004
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in neonatology, Children's Memorial Hospital; residency in pediatrics, St. Christopher's Hospital Philadelphia
Board certifications: Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Pediatrics

Corryn Greenwood, MD

Medical school: Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine, 2006
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in neonatal-perinatal medicine, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center; residency in pediatrics, Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science (Rochester)
Board certifications: Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Pediatrics

Kacie McMahon, DO

Medical school: Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine at Midwestern University, 2011
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in neonatal-perinatal medicine, Loyola University Medical Center; residency in pediatrics, Advocate Christ Hospital Medical Center
Board certifications: Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Pediatrics

Shabanna Ravikumar, MD

Medical school: Madras Medical College, 1990
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in neonatal-perinatal medicine, Metrohealth Medical Center; residency in pediatrics, Metrohealth Medical Center
Board certifications: Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Pediatrics
The Special Care Nursery at Delnor Hospital is designated a Level II with Exceptions nursery by the State of Illinois. This seven-bed nursery is staffed 24/7 by Lurie Children’s neonatal nurse practitioners (NNPs) with back-up and rounding by Lurie Children’s neonatologists. The nursery is proud to provide advanced Level II care emphasizing family-friendly approaches.

**Michael Balbus, MD**  
**Special Care Nursery Site Leader**  
*Medical school:* State University of New York School of Medicine, 1985  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in neonatal-perinatal medicine, Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital; residency in pediatrics, Long Island Jewish Hospital  
*Board certifications:* Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Pediatrics

**Ashok Mehta, MD**  
**Chair, Department of Pediatrics, Delnor Hospital**  
*Medical school:* Anugrah Narayan Memorial Magadh Medical College, Gaya, India, 1980  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in neonatal-perinatal medicine, Lutheran General Hospital; residency in pediatrics, Lutheran General Hospital  
*Board certifications:* Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Pediatrics

**Jeffrey Loughead, MD**  
**Medical Director, Pediatrics; Neonatologist Site Leader**  
*Medical school:* University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, 1983  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in neonatal-perinatal medicine, University of Cincinnati; residency in pediatrics and chief resident in pediatrics, Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center  
*Board certifications:* Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Pediatrics

**Shivani Desai, MD**  
*Medical school:* University of Illinois, 2004  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in neonatology, Children’s Memorial Hospital; residency in pediatrics, St. Christopher’s Hospital Philadelphia  
*Board certifications:* Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Pediatrics

**Kacie McMahon, DO**  
*Medical school:* Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine at Midwestern University, 2011  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in neonatal-perinatal medicine, Loyola University Medical Center; residency in pediatrics, Advocate Christ Hospital Medical Center  
*Board certifications:* Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Pediatrics
PICU—Central DuPage Hospital

The PICU team provides quality care in a state-of-the-art Intensive Care Unit where each patient has a private room. Each room provides sleeping accommodations for parents as well.

Ikram Akhtar, MD
PICU Site Leader

Medical school: University of Health Sciences, St. John's, Antigua, 1993
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric critical care, Lutheran General Hospital; residency in pediatrics, Lutheran General Hospital
Board certifications: Pediatric Critical Care, Pediatrics

Elizabeth Bello, MD

Medical school: University of Illinois Chicago School of Medicine, 1990
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric critical care, Duke University Medical Center; residency in pediatrics, Lutheran General Hospital
Board certifications: Pediatric Critical Care, Pediatrics

Grant Hahn, MD

Medical school: Rush Medical College, 2013
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric critical care, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University; residency in pediatrics, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University
Board certification: Pediatrics

Vytautas Sapiega, MD

Medical school: Vilnius University Medical School, Lithuania, 1995
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric critical care, Lutheran General Hospital; residency in pediatrics, State University of New York Health Science Center at Brooklyn
Board certifications: Pediatric Critical Care, Pediatrics
Because we understand how important it is to keep families together in their greatest time of need, the Ronald McDonald House® near Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital serves families of children being treated at Central DuPage Hospital, Delnor Hospital, Northwestern Medicine Proton Center, and Marianjoy Rehabilitation Hospital, part of Northwestern Medicine. Offering private rooms where families can get a good night’s rest knowing their children are close by, the facility also gives guests the opportunity to connect with others going through similar experiences. Volunteers go the extra mile by providing warm meals and cleaning services to make it truly feel like a home away from home.

To learn more visit rmhccni.org/cdh.
Hospitalists

Pediatric inpatients benefit from the 24-hour, on-site coverage provided by Lurie Children's hospitalists at Central DuPage Hospital. All day, every day, they monitor your patients' care and provide clear communication and continuity with referring physicians.

Melissa Manrique, MD
Pediatric Hospitalist Site Leader
Medical school: Rush Medical College, 2004
Postgraduate training: Residency in pediatrics, Children's Memorial Hospital
Board certification: Pediatrics

Adrienne Colborg, MD
Medical school: University of Kansas School of Medicine, 2016
Postgraduate training: Residency in pediatrics, Children's Hospital Colorado
Board certification: Pediatrics

Uchenna Ewulonu, MD
Medical school: University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine, 2013
Postgraduate training: Residency in pediatrics, University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital
Board certification: Pediatrics

Emily Kahn, MD
Medical school: University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, 2015
Postgraduate training: Residency in internal medicine and pediatrics, Loyola University Medical Center
Board certifications: Pediatrics, Internal Medicine

Kimberly Mazur, DO
Medical school: Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine, 2011
Postgraduate training: Residency in pediatrics, Christ Hospital & Medical Center
Board certification: Pediatrics

Rachel Zincone, MD
Medical school: Texas Tech University Health Science Center School of Medicine, 2015
Postgraduate training: Residency in pediatrics, Indiana University Riley Hospital for Children
Board certification: Pediatrics
Hospitalists (continued)

Selvi Pillai, MD
Medical school: University of Illinois School of Medicine, 2006
Postgraduate training: Residency in pediatrics, St. Louis Children's Hospital
Board certification: Pediatrics

Svetlana Serlin, DO
Medical school: Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine, 1999
Postgraduate training: Residency in pediatrics, John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County
Board certification: Pediatrics

Lavanya Shankar, MD
Medical school: Chicago Medical School at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, 2000
Postgraduate training: Residency in pediatrics, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin
Board certification: Pediatrics

Katherine Tribble, MD
Medical school: Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine, 2015
Postgraduate training: Residency in general pediatrics, University of California (Davis) Medical Center

Naser Zahran, MD
Medical school: Vinnitsa Medical School, Ukraine, 1986
Postgraduate training: Residency in pediatrics, University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria
Board certification: Pediatrics
The Central DuPage Hospital Pediatric Emergency Department offers board-certified pediatric emergency medicine physicians and pediatric emergency advanced practice nurses who work with state-of-the-art technology and equipment specifically designed for children. The department treats children from birth through 18 years.

**Arie Habis, MD**  
Pediatric Emergency Department Site Leader  
*Medical school:* Oregon Health Sciences University School of Medicine, 2000  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric emergency medicine, University of Utah Medical Center; residency in pediatrics, Children's Hospital Medical Center  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Pediatrics

**Meta Carroll, MD**  
*Medical school:* Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, 1990  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric emergency medicine, St. Christopher's Hospital; residency in emergency medicine, Allegheny General Hospital  
*Board certification:* Pediatric Emergency Medicine

**Arati Chidi, DO**  
*Medical school:* New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, 2001  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric emergency medicine, Phoenix Children's Hospital; residency, The University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Pediatrics

**Kristine Cieslak, MD**  
*Medical school:* University of Illinois Chicago School of Medicine, 1993  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric emergency medicine, Montefiore Medical Center; residency in pediatrics, University of South Florida  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Pediatrics

**Jennifer Colgan, MD**  
*Medical school:* University of Maryland School of Medicine, 2014  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric emergency medicine, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University; residency in pediatrics, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Pediatrics
Pediatric emergency medicine (continued)

**Colleen Fant, MD, MPH**

*Medical school:* Tufts University School of Medicine, 2013  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric emergency medicine, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University; residency in pediatrics, Massachusetts General Hospital  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Pediatrics

**Brian Hang, MD**

*Medical school:* Boston University School of Medicine, 2003  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric emergency medicine, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center; fellowship in sports medicine, Lutheran General Hospital; residency in pediatrics, New York University School of Medicine  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Pediatric Sports Medicine, Pediatrics

**Joy M. Koopmans, MD**

*Medical school:* Carver College of Medicine, University of Iowa, 2008  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric emergency medicine, Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago; residency in pediatrics, University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Pediatrics

**Selina Varma Thomas, MD, MPH**

*Medical school:* Emory University School of Medicine, 2015  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric emergency medicine, Lurie Children's; residency in pediatrics, Lurie Children's  
*Board certification:* Pediatrics
From broken bones to allergic reactions, life can throw some unexpected curve balls. The Pediatric Emergency Department at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital provides specialized emergency care when and where it’s needed most.

Using state-of-the-art technology and equipment, Lurie Children’s board-certified pediatric emergency medicine physicians provide the kind of care every parent hopes for in a location that’s close to home.

To learn more, visit nm.org/luriechildrens.
Pediatric medical imaging

All pediatric imaging at Central DuPage Hospital and Delnor Hospital is directed and interpreted by pediatric radiologists from Lurie Children’s. To review images and conduct studies requiring the services of a radiologist, a Lurie Children’s radiologist is on-site at Central DuPage Hospital from 8 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday.

Cynthia Rigsby, MD
Chair, Department of Medical Imaging

Medical school: Duke University School of Medicine, 1990
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in radiology and diagnostics, Children’s Hospital Medical Center; residency in radiology diagnostics, Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, Barnes Hospital
Board certifications: Pediatric Radiology, Diagnostic Radiology

Naseem Shakir, MD
Head, General Radiology and Nuclear Medicine

Medical school: Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine, 2006
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in musculoskeletal radiology, Emory University Affiliated Hospitals; residency in radiology, Wayne State University; residency in radiology, Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center
Board certifications: Pediatric Radiology, Radiology

Ellen Benya, MD

Medical school: Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, 1987
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric radiology, Children’s National Medical Center; residency in diagnostic radiology, Georgetown University; residency in diagnostic radiology, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University
Board certifications: Pediatric Radiology, Diagnostic Radiology

Lindsay M. Griffin, MD

Medical school: University of Wisconsin Medical School, 2012
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in cardiovascular imaging, University of Wisconsin Hospital & Clinics; residency in diagnostic radiology, New York University School of Medicine
Board certification: Diagnostic Radiology

Alok Jaju, MD

Medical school: Nagpur Government Medical College, 2001
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric radiology and neuroradiology, Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology; residency in diagnostic radiology, Lokmanyatilak Municipal Medical College
Board certifications: Diagnostic Radiology, Neuroradiology, Pediatric Radiology
Mariam Kappil, MD
Medical school: Rush University Medical College, 2005
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric radiology, Children’s Memorial Hospital; residency in diagnostic radiology, University of Michigan Hospital
Board certification: Diagnostic Radiology

Jillian Krauss, MD
Medical school: University of Toledo College of Medicine, 2013
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric radiology, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University; residency in diagnostic radiology, Beaumont Hospital
Board certification: Diagnostic Radiology

Jackson Norman III, MD
Medical school: Louisiana State University School of Medicine, 1991
Postgraduate training: Residency in diagnostic radiology, Louisiana State University Medical Center; Internship, Louisiana State University Medical Center
Board certifications: Pediatric Radiology, Diagnostic Radiology

Andrada Popescu, MD
Medical school: Iuliu Hatieganu University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Romania, 2002
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in cardiovascular imaging, Northwestern Memorial Hospital; fellowship in interventional radiology and cardiovascular imaging, Children’s Memorial Hospital; residency in emergency medicine, Cluj County Emergency Hospital, Romania
Board certification: Diagnostic Radiology

Francis Prendergast, MD
Medical school: Georgetown University, 1991
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric radiology, The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia; residency in diagnostic radiology, Pennsylvania Hospital
Board certifications: Pediatric Radiology, Diagnostic Radiology

Carla Quijano, MD
Medical school: Pontifcia University, Brazil, 1998
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric radiology, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University (Children’s Memorial Hospital); residency in diagnostic radiology, Saint Francis Hospital
Board certifications: Nuclear Medicine, Diagnostic Radiology, Pediatric Radiology
Pediatric medical imaging (continued)

Esther Ro, MD

Medical school: University of Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine, 2009

Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric radiology, Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago; residency in diagnostic radiology, Rush University Medical Center

Board certification: Diagnostic Radiology

Martha Saker, MD

Medical school: Tufts University, 1990

Postgraduate training: Fellowship in diagnostic imaging, Children's Memorial Hospital; residency in radiology, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center

Board certifications: Pediatric Radiology, Diagnostic Radiology

Mary Wyers, MD

Medical school: Washington University School of Medicine, 1995

Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric radiology, Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology; residency in radiology, Barnes-Jewish Hospital

Board certifications: Pediatric Radiology, Diagnostic Radiology
Comprehensive Outpatient Pediatric Specialty Services

With access to Lurie Children’s board-certified pediatric specialists representing a comprehensive range of pediatric medical conditions, Lurie Children’s at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital and Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital offers a broad array of pediatric outpatient specialty care that’s unmatched in the western suburbs.
Do you know an adolescent or teenager (13-18) struggling with severe obesity, and everything you’ve tried hasn’t helped? The Adolescent Bariatric Surgery Program at Lurie Children’s at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital may have the answer. We offer surgical options for select patients who meet strict criteria.

Candidates for bariatric surgery may have struggled with obesity despite medical efforts, as well as obesity-related complications. Patients who qualify for a surgical intervention are followed closely by the multidisciplinary bariatric team to help ensure the best outcomes and safest weight loss. To schedule an appointment, call 630.933.2314.

SURGICAL WEIGHT LOSS OPTIONS FOR ADOLESCENTS
Adolescent bariatric surgery 630.933.2314

For severely obese adolescents who meet strict criteria, bariatric surgery may be the appropriate solution for weight loss. The team—including a pediatrician, pediatric surgeon, bariatric coordinator, physical therapist, psychologist, social worker and registered dietitian—creates a customized treatment plan, and provides medical and surgical care to address the different causes and effects of obesity.

Thomas Inge, MD, PhD
Medical school: Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine, 1993
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric surgery, University of Alabama Medical Center; residency in general surgery, Stanford University Medical Center
Board certifications: Pediatric Surgery, General Surgery

Allergy/immunology 312.227.6010

Allergy/immunology/asthma specialists treat children with asthma, allergic rhinitis (hay fever), sinusitis, wheezing, cough, headache, anaphylaxis, recurrent infection, peanut/nut and other food allergies, stinging insect allergy, drug allergy, latex allergy, eczema, hives and other rashes. Services include in-depth evaluations, skin tests, laboratory studies and pulmonary function testing.

Timothy J. Brown, MD
Medical school: Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, 1997
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatrics and adult allergy, Children’s Memorial Hospital/Northwestern Memorial Hospital; residency in pediatrics, Children’s Memorial Hospital
Board certifications: Allergy and Immunology, Pediatrics
Lurie Children’s at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital offers extensive experience and advanced diagnostics for evaluating and treating pediatric heart conditions such as congenital heart defects, cardiac arrhythmias and acquired heart disease. Our goal is to provide children with the care they need to get back to their everyday.

Parents who have to navigate difficult choices should know that our Pediatric Cardiology Program offers a comprehensive array of noninvasive diagnostic tests on-site. These range from echocardiograms and Holter monitoring to medical imaging and stress testing, in a location that’s close to home.

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Cardiology

These cardiology specialists treat children with heart conditions including congenital heart disease, cardiac arrhythmias and acquired heart disease. Services include electrophysiology, echocardiography (including fetal) and telehealth.

Inpatient/outpatient at Central DuPage Hospital

R. Gregory Webster, MD
Director, Electrocardiogram Laboratory
Medical school: Stanford University School of Medicine, 2002
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric electrophysiology, Children's Hospital Boston; fellowship in pediatric cardiology, Children's Hospital Boston; residency in pediatrics, University of California, San Francisco Medical Center
Board certifications: Pediatric Cardiology, Pediatrics

Ahmad Chaouki, MD, PhD
Medical school: Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, 2008
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric electrophysiology, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center; residency in pediatric cardiology, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University
Board certifications: Pediatric Cardiology, Pediatrics

Paul Kim, MD
Medical school: University of Illinois College of Medicine, 1999
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric cardiology, Children’s Memorial Hospital; residency in pediatrics, Children’s National Medical Center
Board certifications: Pediatric Cardiology, Pediatrics

Shivani Patel, MD
Medical school: Byramjee Jeejeebhoy Medical College, India, 2000
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in cardiac imaging, Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago; fellowship in pediatric cardiology, University of Nebraska College of Medicine; residency in pediatrics, John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County
Board certifications: Pediatric Cardiology, Pediatrics

Michael Satzer, MD
Medical school: University of Minnesota Medical School, 2011
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric cardiology, New York Presbyterian Hospital; residency in pediatrics, Miami Children’s Health System/Nicklaus Children’s Hospital
Board certifications: Pediatric Cardiology, Pediatrics

800.543.7362

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Farshad Sedaghat-Yazdi, MD

*Medical school:* University of Illinois College of Medicine, 2006
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric cardiology, Children's Memorial Hospital; residency in pediatrics, St. Louis Children's Hospital
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Cardiology, Pediatrics

Angira Patel, MD, MPH

*Medical school:* University of Illinois College of Medicine, 2003
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in noninvasive imaging pediatric cardiology, Children's Memorial Hospital; fellowship in clinical medical ethics, MacLean Center for Clinical Ethics, University of Chicago; fellowship in pediatric cardiology, Children's Memorial Hospital; residency in pediatrics, University of Chicago Hospital
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Cardiology, Pediatrics

R. Andrew de Freitas, MD

*Medical school:* University of California, 1990
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in adult cardiology, Boston Medical Center; fellowships in pediatric cardiology and adult congenital heart disease, Boston Children's Hospital; residency in internal medicine and pediatrics, Massachusetts General Hospital
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Cardiology, Cardiovascular Disease

Sheetal Patel, MD

*Medical school:* Pramukhswami Medical School, 2001
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric cardiology, Wayne State University; residency in pediatrics, State University of New York Downstate Medical Center
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Cardiology, Pediatrics

Jaclyn Reider, APRN-NP

*Specialty:* Cardiology and Cardiac Surgery
*Education:* Doctorate of Nursing Practice, Rush University, 2015; Master of Science in Nursing, DePaul University, 2010
*Certification:* Pediatric Nurse Practitioner
Cardiovascular-thoracic surgeons work closely with cardiologists and neonatologists to determine the necessity and timing of surgery to repair congenital and acquired heart lesions such as patent ductus arteriosus in the neonatal period.

Inpatient consultations

**Michael Mongé, MD**  
**Surgical Director, Heart Failure/Heart Transplant Program**

*Medical school:* Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, 2004  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in congenital cardiac surgery, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University; fellowship in thoracic surgery, Stanford University; residency in surgery, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University  
*Board certifications:* Thoracic Surgery, Surgery

**Osama Eltayeb, MD**

*Medical school:* Khartoum University, 1991  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in cardiothoracic surgery, Loma Linda University Health Education Consortium; fellowship in cardiothoracic surgery, Indiana University Medical Center; fellowship in cardiology, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University; residency in general surgery, Mayo Clinic and Hospitals; residency in general surgery, University of Florida Hospitals; residency in general surgery, Morehouse School of Medicine  
*Board certifications:* Cardiothoracic Surgery, General Surgery

**Sunjay Kaushal, MD, PhD**

*Medical school:* Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, 1997  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric cardiovascular surgery, University of Michigan Health System and fellowship in thoracic surgery, John Hopkins Hospital; residency in general surgery, Johns Hopkins Hospital  
*Board certifications:* Congenital Cardiac Surgery, Thoracic and Cardiac Surgery
Child maltreatment and protection 800.543.7362
Child Maltreatment and Protection specialists identify and treat children that are victims of abuse and neglect. Their goal is to ensure that all children served by the hospital are in a safe and healthy environment.

Melissa Manrique, MD
Medical Director
Medical school: Rush Medical College, 2004
Postgraduate training: Residency in pediatrics, Children’s Memorial Hospital
Board certification: Pediatrics

Dermatology 800.543.7362
Dermatology specialists offer the latest in diagnosis and treatment for all pediatric skin conditions. They provide care for common and rare skin disorders, as well as the surgical removal of skin lesions and laser treatment for vascular lesions.

Brandi Kenner-Bell, MD
Medical school: Baylor College of Medicine, 2003
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric dermatology, Children’s Memorial Hospital; residency in dermatology, Northwestern Memorial Hospital; residency in pediatrics, Baylor College of Medicine
Board certifications: Pediatric Dermatology, Dermatology

Lacey C. Kruse, MD
Medical school: Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, 2009
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric dermatology, Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago; residency in dermatology, Southern Illinois University Hospitals
Board certification: Dermatology
Development and behavior specialists evaluate and treat children with behavior or development concerns. The goal is to help each child achieve their maximum potential. Specialists evaluate developmental delays, speech problems, behavior problems such as tantrums, autism spectrum disorders, attention problems and other conditions.

**Kaitlyn Cowan, APRN-NP, DNP, PNP**  
*Specialty:* Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics  
*Education:* Rush University College of Nursing, Doctor of Nursing Practice  
*Certifications:* Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

**Laura O’Halloran, PA-C, MPAS**  
*Specialty:* Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics  
*Education:* Marquette University, Master of Physician Assistant Studies  
*Certifications:* Physician Assistant

Endocrinology specialists treat children with diabetes; endocrine disorders; growth disorders; pubertal development, adrenal and thyroid disorders; and metabolic/nutritional needs.

**Mary McCauley, MD, FAAP**  
*Medical school:* University of Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine, 2014  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric endocrinology, University of Chicago Medical Center; residency in pediatrics, Advocate Children’s Hospital  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Endocrinology, Pediatrics

**W. Patrick Zeller, MD**  
*Medical school:* Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine, 1977  
*Postgraduate training:* Residency in pediatrics, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Endocrinology, Pediatrics

**Celia Morelos, BSN, RN, CDCES**  
*Specialty:* Diabetes Education  
*Education:* North Park University  
*Certifications:* Diabetes Education and Care Specialist

* Patient visits are scheduled at the pediatric specialist’s medical practice office, which is not located within the Central DuPage Hospital Pediatric Outpatient Center.
Gastroenterology

Gastroenterologists treat children with gastrointestinal tract, liver, gallbladder and pancreatic conditions such as recurrent abdominal pain, motility problems, chronic diarrhea, malabsorption and intestinal bleeding. Focused expertise is available for feeding disorders, food allergies, inflammatory bowel disease, allergic bowel disorders, gastroesophageal reflux, stooling disorders, pediatric obesity and fitness nutrition.

Mark Fishbein, MD  
800.543.7362  
Medical school: University of Illinois Chicago School of Medicine, 1985  
Postgraduate training: Fellowship and residency in pediatric gastroenterology, University of Chicago Medical Center; residency in pediatrics, University of Chicago Medical Center  
Board certifications: Pediatric Gastroenterology, Pediatrics

John E. Fortunato, Jr., MD  
630.933.6631  
Medical school: Tufts University School of Medicine, 1995  
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric gastroenterology, Johns Hopkins University; residency in general pediatrics, Johns Hopkins Hospital; residency in general surgery, Maine Medical Center; residency in general surgery, University of Chicago  
Board certifications: Pediatric Gastroenterology

C. Allan Pratt, MD, MPH  
630.933.6631  
Medical school: Tufts University School of Medicine, 1993  
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric gastroenterology, Stanford University School of Medicine; residency in pediatrics, Naval Medical Center Portsmouth  
Board certifications: Pediatric Gastroenterology, Pediatrics

Barry K. Wershil, MD  
630.933.6631  
Medical school: Washington University School of Medicine, 1979  
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric gastroenterology, Children’s Hospital/Boston Medical Center; residency in pediatrics, St. Louis University School of Medicine  
Board certifications: Pediatric Gastroenterology, Pediatrics

Susan Buck, APN, CNP  
630.933.6631  
Specialty: Pediatric Gastroenterology  
Education: University of Illinois at Chicago School of Nursing  
Certifications: Physician Assistant, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner
Lurie Children’s at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital provides convenient access to skilled pediatric surgeons trained in the latest minimally invasive techniques to help children gain or return to a healthy, active life.

Some minor surgeries can be performed as part of the Same-Day Surgery Program at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital. This option is offered to patients who meet specific surgical requirements. Central DuPage Hospital also has a special Pediatric Pre-op Adventure to help children feel less nervous about their surgery experience.

To learn more visit nm.org/luriechildrens.
The General Surgery Department provides general surgery for problems related to the head, neck, chest, abdomen and extremities, congenital malformations and solid tumors. Surgeons can use minimally invasive techniques for many abdominal and thoracic procedures, including single-incision laparoscopic techniques. Special interests include treatment of chest wall deformities such as pectus excavatum (“sunken chest”) and pectus carinatum (“pigeon chest”) using a minimally invasive technique.

Some minor surgeries can also be performed as part of the Same-Day Surgery Program at Central DuPage Hospital. This option is offered to patients who meet specific surgical requirements. Patients start with an appointment in the morning to confirm that the patient is eligible for this surgical procedure. If so, the surgery is scheduled for the same day.

**Thomas Inge, MD, PhD**
*Medical school:* Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine, 1993  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric surgery, University of Alabama Medical Center; residency in general surgery, Stanford University Medical Center  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Surgery, General Surgery

**Fizan Abdullah, MD, PhD**
*Medical school:* Thomas Jefferson University Sidney Kimmel Medical College, 1998  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric surgery, Children's Hospital Los Angeles; residency in general surgery, Yale-New Haven Medical Center  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Surgery, General Surgery

**Anthony Chin, MD**
*Medical school:* Indiana University School of Medicine, 1997  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric surgery, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University; fellowship in advanced pediatric minimally invasive surgery, Rocky Mountain Hospital for Children; fellowship in surgical critical care, Children's Memorial Hospital; residency in general surgery, University of Illinois College of Medicine at Chicago  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Surgery, General Surgery, Surgical Critical Care

**Alexander Dzakovic, MD**
*Medical school:* University of Heidelberg School of Medicine, 1997  
*Postgraduate training:* Residency in general surgery, Brigham & Women's Hospital; residency in pediatric surgery, Children's Hospital Boston; residency in general surgery, Boston University Medical Center  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Surgery, General Surgery, Surgical Critical Care

**Seth Goldstein, MD**
*Medical school:* Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, 2009  
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric surgery, Johns Hopkins University/University of Maryland Medical Center; residency in general surgery, John Hopkins Hospital  
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Surgery, General Surgery
Julia Grabowski, MD
Medical school: Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, 2003
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric surgery, UPMC Medical Education; residency in general surgery, University of California (San Diego) Medical Center
Board certifications: Pediatric Surgery, General Surgery

Yue-Yung Hu, MD, MPH
Medical school: Stony Brook University School of Medicine, 2007
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric surgery, Connecticut Children’s Medical Center/University of Connecticut; residency in general surgery, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center/Harvard Medical School
Board certifications: General Surgery

Rashmi Kabre, MD
Medical school: University of Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine, 2003
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric surgery, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University; residency in general surgery, Rush University Medical Center
Board certifications: Pediatric Surgery, General Surgery

Monica Langer, MD, MPH
Medical school: University of Saskatchewan College of Medicine, 2003
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric surgery, The University of British Columbia Faculty of Medicine; residency in general surgery, The University of British Columbia Faculty of Medicine
Board certifications: Pediatric Surgery, General Surgery

Timothy Lautz, MD
Medical school: Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, 2006
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric surgery, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University; residency in general surgery, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University
Board certifications: Pediatric Surgery, General Surgery, Laparoscopic Surgery

Mehul Raval, MD, MS, FAAP, FACS
Medical school: Wake Forest University School of Medicine, 2005
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric surgery, Nationwide Children’s Hospital/Ohio State University; residency in general surgery, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University
Board certifications: Pediatric Surgery, General Surgery
General surgery  (continued)

**Erin Rowell, MD**
*Medical school:* Medical University of South Carolina College of Medicine, 2000
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric surgery, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University; residency in general surgery, Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital/Dartmouth-Hitchcock
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Surgery, Surgery

**Sandra Weszelits, APN, CPNP, MSN, TN**
*Specialty:* Surgery
*Education:* Saint Xavier University School of Nursing
*Certification:* Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

Genetics

The Department of Genetic Medicine is comprised of a physician and certified genetic counselors current in the latest technology and care options.

**Carolyn Jones, MD, PhD**
*Medical school:* Rush Medical College, 1991
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in genetics, Lutheran General Hospital; residency in pediatrics, University of Chicago
*Board certifications:* Clinical Cytogenetics, Clinical Genetics, Pediatrics

630.933.6631

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At the heart of our pediatric blood disease and cancer care is the belief that children need to be treated differently than adults. The pediatric hematologists/oncologists at Lurie Children’s at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital offer nationally recognized expertise to treat pediatric disease, and help patients and families cope with the related emotional, social and developmental challenges.

The multidisciplinary team includes specialists board-certified in pediatrics and hematology/oncology, oncology-certified nurses, advanced practice nurses and child life specialists dedicated to a common goal: returning pediatric patients to a life focused on the future.

To learn more visit nm.org/luriechildrens.
Hematology/oncology 630.933.4291

Specialists in the Hematology/Oncology Department provide comprehensive care for children with blood diseases and cancer, including leukemia, brain tumors, lymphomas, solid sarcoma tumors, sickle cell disease, thalassemia, hemophilia, anemia, white cell disorders, and platelet and coagulation abnormalities. Services include chemotherapy, radiation therapy, transfusions and coagulation factor replacement therapy.

The pediatric oncology programs at Central DuPage Hospital and Northwestern Medicine Proton Center* are members of the Children’s Oncology Group (COG), an internationally recognized group conducting pediatric oncology clinical trials. This allows patients within our programs access to the latest clinical trials and therapies.

Ammar Hayani, MD
Medical school: Aleppo University, Syria, 1982
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric hematology/oncology, Baylor College of Medicine; residency in pediatrics, Louisiana State University
Board certifications: Pediatric Hematology/Oncology, Pediatrics

Aroop Kar, MD
Medical school: University of Michigan Medical School, 2012
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric hematology/oncology, Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago; residency in pediatrics, Albert Einstein College of Medicine - Montefiore (Moses and Weiler)
Board certification: Pediatrics

Laura Petrando, APN
Specialty: Pediatric Hematology/Oncology
Education: University of Illinois at Chicago School of Nursing
Certifications: Hematology/Oncology, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

Kathy Trimble, APN
Specialty: Pediatric Hematology/Oncology
Education: University of Illinois at Chicago School of Nursing
Certifications: Hematology/Oncology, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

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Infectious disease

The Infectious Disease Department provides services for children suffering from fever of unknown origin, and skin and soft tissue infections. They also perform infectious evaluation for international adoptees.

Bessey Geevarghese, DO

Medical school: New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, 2005

Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric infectious diseases, University of Colorado School of Medicine; residency in pediatrics, Steven and Alexandra Cohen Children’s Medical Center of New York

Board certifications: Pediatric Infectious Diseases, Pediatrics

Nephrology

Nephrology specialists provide comprehensive care for infants and children with conditions including hematuria, proteinuria, glomerulonephritis, hypertension, abnormal urinary tract, nephrotic syndrome, chronic kidney diseases, reflux nephropathy, kidney stones, recurrent urinary tract infections, dysfunctional voiding, enuresis, polycystic kidney disease, congenital multicystic dysplastic kidneys and acute kidney injury.

Ronald Kallen, MD

Medical school: University of Buffalo School of Medicine, 1960

Postgraduate training: Pediatric research fellowship, Johns Hopkins Hospital; residency in pediatrics, Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center; fellowship in pediatric nephrology, Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center

Board certifications: Pediatric Nephrology, Pediatrics
For children with pediatric neurological conditions, Lurie Children’s at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital and Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital offers advanced care close to home. Through leading therapies and advanced technology, our pediatric neurologists can diagnose and treat complex problems of the brain and nervous system. From autism to concussion to seizures, the Pediatric Neurology team is committed to providing dedicated and compassionate care in an environment tailored to meet the needs of children and their families.

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Neurology specialists treat children with neurological problems including epilepsy (seizure disorders), spina bifida, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADD/ADHD), migraines, autism, post-traumatic head injury, cerebral palsy and hydrocephalus, as well as neuromuscular diseases and degenerative diseases such as muscular dystrophy.

**Steven Coker, MD**
*Medical school:* University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, 1971
*Postgraduate training:* Residency in neurology, Walter Reed Army Medical Center; residency in pediatrics, Madigan Army Medical Center
*Board certifications:* Neurology (with special qualifications in child neurology), Pediatrics

**Yolanda Holler-Managan, MD**
*Medical school:* University of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford, 1997
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in child neurology, University of Chicago Medicine Comer Children’s Hospital; residency in pediatrics, Medical College of Wisconsin Affiliated Hospitals
*Board certifications:* Child Neurology, Pediatrics

**Murad M. Omery, MD**
*Medical school:* Indiana University School of Medicine, 2015
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric neurology, University of Chicago Comer Children’s Hospital; residency in pediatrics, University of Chicago Comer Children’s Hospital
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Neurology, Pediatrics

**Talia Shear, MD**
*Medical school:* University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine, 2016
*Postgraduate training:* Residency in child neurology, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University/Lurie Children’s; residency in pediatrics, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University/Lurie Children’s

**Diana Sieciechowicz, MD**
*Medical school:* Jagiellonian University Medical School, 2009
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in clinical neurophysiology, Cleveland Clinic; fellowship in child neurology, University of Chicago; residency in pediatrics, John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County
*Board certifications:* Child Neurology, Clinical Neurophysiology
Neuro-oncology coordinates comprehensive care for pediatric patients with brain tumors who are receiving proton therapy at Northwestern Medicine Proton Center*. Together, Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago and Northwestern Medicine Proton Center collaborate to offer pediatric patients with brain tumors access to proton therapy, an advanced form of cancer therapy that precisely targets radiation to tumors. In addition, the Lurie Children’s multidisciplinary Brain Tumor Board plays an integral role in the clinical review of all pediatric patients with brain and central nervous system tumors who are undergoing treatment at the center.

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**Rudy Allen, MD**
*Medical school:* Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine, 1988
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric hematology/oncology, University of Chicago Children’s Hospital; residency in pediatrics, Geisinger Medical Center
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Hematology/Oncology, Pediatrics

**Angela Waanders, MD, MPH**
*Medical school:* Tulane University School of Medicine, 2003
*Postgraduate training:* Fellowship in pediatric hematology/oncology, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia; residency in pediatrics, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia
*Board certifications:* Pediatric Hematology/Oncology, Pediatrics

**Laura Petrando, APN**
*Specialty:* Pediatric Hematology/Oncology
*Education:* University of Illinois at Chicago School of Nursing
*Certifications:* Hematology/Oncology, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

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Oral and maxillofacial surgery

Specialists in the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Department offer services including bone grafting, wisdom teeth extraction, facial trauma treatment, jaw surgery, oral pathology, dental implants and sleep apnea treatment.

**Mark Erickson, DDS***

- *Medical school:* University of Washington School of Medicine, 1984
- *Postgraduate training:* Residency in oral and maxillofacial surgery, Northwestern Memorial Hospital; residency in dentistry, Mount Zion Medical Center
- *Board certifications:* Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Dentistry

**Herbert Stith, DDS***

- *Medical school:* Northwestern University School of Dentistry, 1980
- *Postgraduate training:* Residency in oral and maxillofacial surgery, Louisiana State University
- *Board certifications:* Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Dentistry

*Patient visits are scheduled at the pediatric specialist’s medical practice office, which is not located within the Central DuPage Hospital Pediatric Outpatient Center.*
Lurie Children’s at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital and Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital offers comprehensive orthopaedic care including nonsurgical and surgical treatments for children and adolescents with trauma, congenital deformities and developmental conditions of the musculoskeletal system.

Our specialists use an integrated approach combining expertise with advanced techniques to provide care in a child-friendly environment, close to home.

To learn more visit nm.org/luriechildrens.
Orthopaedic surgery

Orthopaedic surgery specialists treat congenital and developmental deformities of the spine (scoliosis, kyphosis), shoulder, arm, forearm, hand, pelvis and hip (dysplasia, Legg-Perthes disease), as well as clubfoot, limb-length inequalities, skeletal dysplasia and musculoskeletal trauma.

Aimee Brasher, MD
Medical school: Rush Medical College, 2005
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric orthopaedics, Children's Hospital Los Angeles; residency in orthopaedic surgery, Rush University Medical Center
Board certification: Orthopaedic Surgery, Pediatrics

John Grayhack, MD
Medical school: University of Chicago, 1984
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric orthopaedics, University of Toronto/Hospital for Sick Children; residency in orthopaedic surgery, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University
Board certification: Orthopaedic Surgery

Joseph Janicki, MD
Medical school: Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, 2000
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in adolescent hip preservation, Boston Children's Hospital; fellowship in pediatric orthopaedics, The Hospital for Sick Children; residency in orthopaedic surgery, University Hospitals of Cleveland
Board certification: Orthopaedic Surgery

Laura Lemke, MD
Medical school: Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, 1996
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric orthopaedic surgery, Children's Memorial Hospital; residency in orthopaedic surgery, Shriners Hospital for Children & Southern Illinois School of Medicine and Affiliated Hospitals
Board certification: Orthopaedic Surgery

Michelle Sagan, MD
Medical school: University of Michigan Medical School, 2002
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric orthopaedics, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; residency in orthopaedic surgery, University of Kansas Medical Center
Board certification: Orthopaedic Surgery

Diane Sheehan, ND, APN, FNP-BC
Specialty: Orthopaedics
Education: Rush University School of Nursing, Northern Illinois University School of Nursing
Certifications: Certified Rehabilitation Registered Nurse, Family Nurse Practitioner
Orthopaedic surgery (continued)

Paula P. Wengerski, PA-C
Specialty: Orthopaedics
Education: Rosalind Franklin University
Certification: Certified Physician Assistant

Pain management

The Pain Management Team optimizes the pediatric patient’s level of comfort and strives to increase their ability to function in everyday life. Treatment includes medication management, counseling and instruction in relaxation techniques. A full range of treatment options, including invasive procedures, is considered in severe situations to provide aggressive pain management and achieve treatment goals.

Santhanam Suresh, MD
Chairman, Pediatric Anesthesiology; Director, Pain Management
Medical school: Stanley Medical College, Madras, India, 1983
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric anesthesiology, Children’s Memorial Hospital; residency in anesthesiology, Loyola University Hospital; residency in pediatrics, John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County
Board certifications: Anesthesiology, Pain Management, Pediatrics

David Krodel, MD
Medical school: Stanford University School of Medicine, 2008
Postgraduate training: Fellowships in pediatric anesthesia, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University; residency in anesthesiology, Massachusetts General Hospital
Board certifications: Pediatric Anesthesiology, Anesthesiology

Ravi Shah, MD
Medical school: University of Illinois College of Medicine, 2004
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric anesthesiology, Children’s Memorial Hospital; residency in anesthesiology, Rush University Medical Center; residency in general surgery, Rush University Medical Center
Board certifications: Pediatric Anesthesiology, Anesthesiology

Angelica Vargas, MD
Medical school: Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke’s Medical Center, 2013
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric anesthesiology, Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago; residency in anesthesiology, Rush University Medical Center
Board certification: Anesthesiology
Psychiatry

Specialists in the Psychiatry Department provide psychiatric evaluation and treatment, education and advocacy for pediatric patients and their families. Conditions treated include adjustment disorders, emotional problems related to pediatric disorders, psychoses, mood disorders, anxiety, behavior disorders, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), autism spectrum disorders and eating disorders.

Agnes Costello, MD
Medical school: University of Santo Tomas Faculty of Medicine and Surgery, Philippines, 2001
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in child and adolescent psychiatry, Children’s Memorial Hospital; residency in psychiatry, Loyola University Medical Center
Board certifications: Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Psychiatry and Neurology

Jamie Pacis, MD
Medical school: American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine, St. Maarten, 2006
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in child and adolescent psychiatry, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University; residency in psychiatry, East Carolina University School of Medicine
Board certifications: Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Psychiatry and Neurology

Katie Richards, MD
Medical school: University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine, 2014
Postgraduate training: Residency in pediatrics and child psychiatry, Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center
Board certifications: Pediatrics, Psychiatry and Neurology

Nouzha Tazi, MD
Medical school: Hassan II University Faculty of Medicine at Casablanca, 1998
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in child and adolescent psychiatry, McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University/Children’s Memorial Hospital; residency in psychiatry, University of Alabama Medical Center
Board certifications: Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Psychiatry
Psychology 630.933.6631

The Psychology Department provides psychological assessment, treatment and consultation for infants, toddlers and preschool-age children presenting a variety of developmental and behavioral concerns. Problems addressed include developmental delay, autism spectrum disorders, preschool disruptive behavior concerns, feeding disorders, parent-child interaction difficulties, difficult temperament and infant colic.

Kate Benton, PhD
Graduate education: Loyola University Chicago
Postgraduate training: Pediatric Developmental Center at Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center
Certification: State of Illinois Early Intervention Specialist

Caroline Fulton, PsyD
Graduate education: University of Massachusetts Boston, James Madison University, 2019
Postgraduate training: Fellowship in pediatric psychology, Connecticut Children’s Medical Center
Certification: Clinical Psychologist

Pulmonology 630.933.6631

Pulmonology treats patients with acute or chronic pulmonary disease such as cough, asthma, chest pain and chronic lung disease as well as complications from prematurity. On-site laboratories provide state-of-the-art lung function tests for children. Flexible fiber optic bronchoscopy procedures are available for diagnostic assessment.

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