

Celebrate!



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Dr. Ann Anzderson-Berry had a paper accepted in The Journal of Nutrition

"Safety and Efficacy of a Composite Lipid Emulsion with Fish Oil in Hospitalized Neonates and Infants Requiring Prolonged Parenteral Nutrition - A Randomized, Double-Blind, Multicenter, Controlled Trial"

JN THE JOURNAL OF NUTRITION
A journal of the American Society for Nutrition

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Dr. Eleanor Gradidge is presenting a Virtual Education Event on Bronchiolitis for our region on November 18th. 170 hospital contacts were emailed. This is in concert with CNEB Outreach team. This will be repeated again in December for Nebraska EMS.



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Dr. Courtney McLean was invited to speak on Entrustable Professional Activities (EPAs) and Milestone Reporting at the Organization for Neonatal Training Program Directors (ONTPD) annual meeting. She also serves on the Planning Committee for the ONTPD Bootcamp as well as the Co-Leader for the ONTPD Evaluations Committee.



Alyssa Averoff, mentored by **Dr. Courtney McLean**, presented "Effects of Transport Team Composition on Neonatal Intubation Success" for the AAP Transportation Section.

She won the section's award for the best trainee abstract.

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Dr. Ruben Quiros was part of a review paper from the NASPGHAN society.

Gura K, Duro D, Pai N, Sandell A, Sankararaman S, Quiros-Tejeira R, Herdes R, Deas J, Wang L. From the kitchen to the medicine cabinet: Examples of functional herbs and spices. J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr. 2024 Sep;79(3):473-484. PMID: 38979686.

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Dr. Jeffrey Salomon has been asked to take over as CO-PI on a UNMC Collaborative NRI grant totaling \$100,000.

Dr. Jeffrey Salomon also had a manuscript accepted for publication in American Journal of Physiology-Gastrointestinal and Liver Physiology. "Feeding Intolerance After Pediatric Cardiac Surgery Is Related To Dysbiosis, Barrier Dysfunction And Reduced Short-Chain Fatty Acids."

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Dr. Sidharth Mahapatra was invited to present the following poster at the Children's Brain Tumor Network Meeting in Arlington VA: **Inhibiting iron-sulfur cluster export activates ferroptosis and potentiates cisplatin response in pediatric group 3 medulloblastomas.**



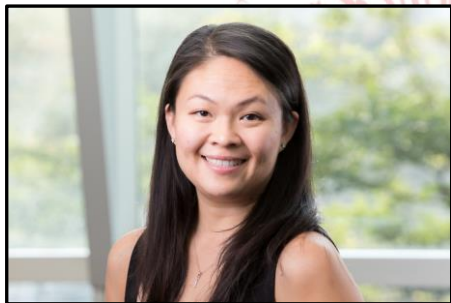
*****His poster won an abstract award*****

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Drs. Karoly Mirnics and Zeljka Korade's lab achieved
the highest certification level (Green) by completing
over 80% of available credits!
Green Labs Pilot Program

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Drs. Grace Lai (Neurosurgery), **Heidi Castillo**, and **Jonathan Castillo** in collaboration with the Department of Neurological Surgery at the University of California San Francisco published, “Assessment of Ventricular Size and Neurocognitive Outcomes in Children with Postnatal Closure of Myelomeningocele.”

J Pediatr. 2024 Nov 1;274:114167. PMID: 38944186.

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The American Academy of Pediatrics in the October observance of national Spina Bifida Awareness month featured Health Care Transition (HCT) focused ECHO Lectures, Videos, and Infographics developed by **Dr. Heidi Castillo, Dr. Jonathan Castillo**, and colleagues for the American Academy of Pediatrics. The academic work was funded through the CDC Cooperative agreement #5NU38OT000282.

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Dr. Eric Peeples was elected as the co-chair of the Newborn Brain Society Guidelines and Publications Committee.

Eric Peeples, MD – Newborn Brain Society



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Let's celebrate the **many clinical leaders** who responded efficiently and prudently to the **IV fluid shortage** — for example, collaboratively designing mitigation plans; updating the EMR with optimal-practice advisories; facilitating easier ordering of enteral hydration for those who can tolerate it instead of IVF; and communicating effectively throughout this time. We recognize that leadership in this crisis is occurring at many levels in all departments. In our division, some of those leaders include **Dr. Christopher Edwards** (Medical Director of Med-Surg units), **Dr. Lauren Maskin** (Medical Director of Clinical Effectiveness), and **Dr. Stephen Dolter** (CMIO).

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Dr. Jonathan Cramer was asked to meet with, and lobby, Sen. Deborah Fischer (R-NE) on behalf of the Adult Congenital Heart Association (ACHA) for the (now successful) passage of the Congenital Heart Futures Reauthorization Act (CHFRA) through the U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Congress which authorizes Congress to allocate up to \$10million/year to the NIH for research and infrastructure in congenital heart disease.

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The Society of Pediatric Sedation would like to thank and recognize **Dr. Lauren Edwards** for her voluntary participation in their pediatric procedural sedation simulation course that was held in conjunction with their national conference. She was essential to the success of the course!

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Congratulations to **Dr. Melissa Thoene**
on her SPR membership!



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Congratulations to **Dr. Christopher Cummings** on being selected to participate in the APS SPR Journeys & Frontiers in Pediatric Research program for 2024-2025!

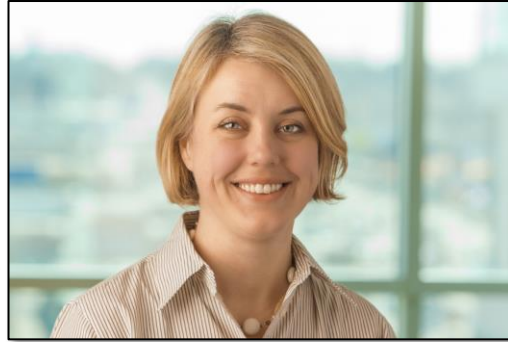


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Dr. Amy Lacroix was awarded "Outstanding Child Advocate of the Year" by the Nebraska Chapter of the AAP. This was awarded in recognition of her work with youth in detention at the DCYC over the past 12+ years and the education she provides to residents about the importance of caring for system-involved youth.

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The hospitalist division has been expanding the presence of Children's Nebraska in Lincoln, ensuring high-quality, evidence-based care for the region's families! Since July, four new Children's Nebraska hospitalists have joined staff at two hospitals in Lincoln: Bryan Medical Center and CHI St. Elizabeth. We give thanks to division chief, **Dr. Sharon Stoolman**, and interim medical director, **Dr. Sheilah Snyder**, for their leadership, as well as to **Drs. Dickinson, Malaterre, Reilly and Thiessen** for joining our team.

New Lincoln Pediatric Hospitalists

Children's
SPECIALTY
PHYSICIANS



Dr. Alexis Malaterre



Dr. Kendra Reilly





Dr. Magi Dickinson



Dr. Danielle Thiessen

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The Joint Commission team
recommended the Nebraska
Medicine NICU team for
Advanced Perinatal Certification!
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Hospitalist **Dr. John Strand** entered a new leadership position at the national level, co-steering the subcommittee on provider wellness within the AAP's section on hospital medicine.



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Dr. Salah Elrokhsi in Pediatric Endocrinology received praise for his professionalism and care: “We both care for a young girl with hydranencephaly, who has very volatile sodium levels. He has also stepped up to help me with a complicated young man with MODY5 diabetes. He always responds quickly and courteously. Dr. Salah, to me, reflects the true spirit of what it means to be a doctor, going above and beyond to make sure the patient gets the quality and compassionate care that they need.”



Hospitalist **Dr. Aleisha Nabower's** clinical skill and bedside manner were celebrated by a patient's mother: "I just want to thank Dr. Nabower for not giving up until we got answers and providing so much comfort during such a scary time. She took the time to explain everything to me in a way I could understand and answered all my questions and showed compassion. She is amazing. I will forever be grateful for her."

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Children's Physicians in Plattsmouth



Dr. Hannah Donaldson received positive comments through Children's Nebraska:
"Dr. Donaldson is the best provider I have ever experienced. There is absolutely no one that compares. The time she spends with you is beyond what you expect, and she makes sure your child really knows her."



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Children's Physicians in Kearney Recognition

"They were extremely busy, but they were still happy and upbeat and super helpful. I was so relieved to get the medical care my baby needed and also be treated with kindness and compassion."

"The entire staff, from the moment I checked in to the moment I left after seeing the doctor was great! I appreciate the front desk staff, the nursing staffs and the providers at Children's Physicians in Kearney and would not trust anyone but them with the care of my child. I am grateful to have them as a part of our community. They are a great resource!"



Yudi Cordero . Autumn Bramer . Juanita Aguirre . Jennifer Rowe . Shayna Gartrell . Abby Flint . Stefanie Goodall . Lindsay Potthoff . Heather Verbeek . Mary Simmons . Erica May . Fatima Garcia-Vargas . Katherine Garrels . Michelle Rooks . Jessica Jacobsen . Travis Kirchner . Tami Novotne . Risa Wyse . Angela Kratochvil-Stava . Andrew Casper . Megan Cole . Evin Lackore . Katherine Keifer . Melissa Caha . Erin May . Steven Haskett . Michelle Fletcher . Jamie Cummings .

Dr. Patricia Seivert received positive feedback from a patient's family:

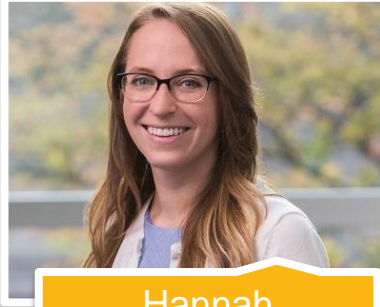


“She knows my kid and he's only 3. She remembers things from previous visits and calms my nerves. I truly appreciate her and the rest of the staff”

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5-Star Google Reviews



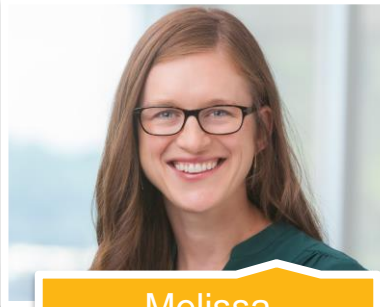
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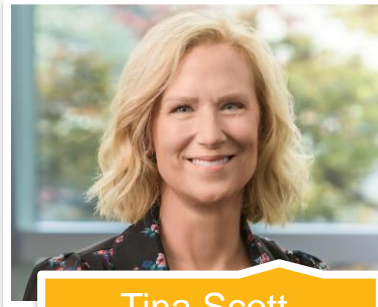
Mark Kusek, MD



Evin Lackore, MD



Melissa
Acquazzino, MD



Tina Scott-
Mordhorst, MD



Ryan Sewell, MD

Celebrate Our Successes!!

Send copies of awards, certificates, publications, grants, recognitions, honors, etc. (along with photographs) to Steph Montgomery.