

## THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO COMER CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

### Pediatric Infectious Diseases

The new University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital is a state-of-the-art medical center with a kid-friendly, family focus. Our teams of pediatric experts develop individualized treatment plans for each child. They also successfully treat complex conditions.

In addition to advanced technology, our hospital offers private rooms and in-room sleeping accommodations for parents, as well as group play areas for kids. Our pediatric care is ranked among the best in the country by *U.S. News & World Report*.

#### WHY CHOOSE US FOR YOUR CHILD'S CARE?

Doctors at Chicago Comer Children's Hospital have decades of experience treating infectious diseases, from the mild to the most severe, in young patients. Each day, our doctors work collaboratively with other pediatric experts to provide the best solutions for complicated illnesses and conditions — many of which were once considered difficult to diagnose and treat.

Because we are actively involved in national research groups, your child may have early access to promising medicines — before they reach the general public. For example, we are one of three sites in Chicago to offer access to pediatric HIV studies sponsored by the National Institutes



of Health. Chicago Comer Children's Hospital is a participating member of the Pediatric AIDS Clinical Trial Group (ACTG) system, sponsored by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. Our team is also a member of the National Antiviral Collaborative Group.

In addition, our doctors have extensive knowledge of drug resistance. In 1998, doctors at the University of Chicago published the first study showing that *Staphylococcus aureus* infections were already resistant to many types of antibiotics. Today, physicians around the world now recognize the problem of drug-resistant bacteria. Our infectious disease researchers are still focused on new treatment strategies for infections from drug-

resistant bacteria.

#### PEDIATRIC INFECTIOUS DISEASE CARE AT THE FOREFRONT OF MEDICINE

Our nationally recognized experts care for children with conditions caused by bacteria, viruses, fungi, and parasites. We treat problems such as:

- Bone and joint infections
- Brain abscess
- Cardiovascular infections
- Central nervous system infections
- Ear infections
- Gastrointestinal tract/intra-abdominal infections
- Lymphoreticular infections
- Hepatic/biliary infections
- HIV/AIDS
- Immunodeficiency disorders, such as chronic granulomatous disease or severe combined immunodeficiency
- Kawasaki disease
- Lower respiratory tract infections
- Meningitis
- Ocular infections
- Orbital cellulitis
- Osteomyelitis
- Reproductive tract infections



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- Sepsis
- Septic arthritis
- Sexually transmitted diseases
- Skin, soft tissue, muscle infections
- Tuberculosis
- Upper respiratory tract infections
- Urinary tract infections

#### **COMPREHENSIVE INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT SERVICES**

Our doctors offer consultations for children with a wide range of infectious diseases and expert inpatient care. Our knowledgeable, caring staff also provides a variety of outpatient services to meet your child's needs. An outpatient clinic, which meets three days a week, provides support for families of children on outpatient IV antibiotics, which require monitoring for safety and effectiveness. These children may suffer from infections, such as bone and joint infections, which require long-term monitoring.

#### **EXPERTISE WITH HIV**

Our outpatient HIV clinic provides state-of-the-art medical care using a coordinated team approach. This care includes timely, accurate diagnosis of HIV as well as the latest treatment options for young people with the

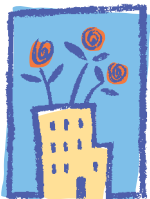
disease. Our expertise in the newest combination therapies for patients can help control the disease and help many young people lead normal lives. Comprehensive care is also available for pregnant women with HIV.

#### **CARE FOR CHILDREN TRAVELING ABROAD**

If your family is traveling abroad, our doctors can provide foreign travel health precautions as well as vaccinations for your child in our Travel Clinic. Our infectious disease specialists also offer consultations through the International Adoption Clinic at Chicago Comer Children's Hospital. This clinic — the only one of its kind for children in Chicago — is designed to meet the special needs of families adopting children internationally.

#### **CONTACT US**

To learn more about pediatric infectious disease services at Chicago Comer Children's Hospital, please call 1-888-UCH-0200 or (773) 702-1000, or visit our Web site at [www.uchicagokidshospital.org/infectious-diseases/](http://www.uchicagokidshospital.org/infectious-diseases/).



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