



THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO COMER CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Pediatric Nephrology

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 KIDNEY CARE?

Our pediatric nephrologists have been named among the best doctors in the Chicago area. Our staff's high level of expertise and skill enables them to care for very sick children who may be considered too difficult to treat at other pediatric hospitals. For example, they can provide dialysis and kidney transplants to children with HIV, multiple organ failure, and complex congenital anomalies.

Because our doctors are also researchers, they have extensive knowledge of the most recent advances in kidney care — and use these advances to benefit our patients as quickly as possible. Children who require immunosuppressant medicines benefit from our long history of research on these

agents. University of Chicago researchers helped develop and refine many important medications, including OK-T3, a mainstay immunosuppression drug for more than a decade.

PEDIATRIC NEPHROLOGY CARE AT THE FOREFRONT OF MEDICINE

Our doctors are nationally recognized experts in kidney and urogenital problems in children. These include:

- Bedwetting (enuresis)
- Blocked urine flow and reflux
- Cystinuria
- Blood vessel disorders of the kidneys
- Genitourinary problems
- Hemolytic uremic syndrome
- Hypophosphatemic rickets
- Kidney failure (end-stage renal disease)
- Kidney stones
- Lupus-related kidney disease
- Metabolic acidosis and alkalosis
- Nephritis
- Nephrogenic diabetes insipidus
- Nephrotic syndrome (glomerulosclerosis)
- Polycystic kidney disease
- Renal disease, infection, and disorders

- Urinary tract infections (UTI)
- Vesicoureteral reflux

ADVANCED DIAGNOSTICS AND INNOVATIVE THERAPIES

Chicago Comer Children's Hospital offers all of the latest approaches for diagnosing and evaluating kidney-related problems, such as:

- Kidney biopsies
- Sophisticated imaging studies, including CT and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)
- Prenatal testing and counseling for expectant parents of infants who may have congenital kidney abnormalities



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At the Forefront of **KIDS** Medicine®



Because we have our own renal pathologist on staff, we are able to provide parents and referring physicians with very quick results on kidney tests. Other hospitals often have to send tests to outside labs, which can delay results.

Our pediatric experts also provide the most sophisticated treatments, including:

- **All types of hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis for kidney failure.** Inpatient dialysis is also available for children with acute kidney failure and other emergency situations.
- **Kidney transplants** — including living donor transplants from related and non-related donors.
- **The latest medical approaches to glomerular diseases and other kidney problems** — including recent advances in immunosuppressant medicines.
- **Minimally invasive approaches.** When surgery is necessary, our surgeons often employ laparoscopic approaches to minimize a child's pain and speed recovery. For instance, our surgeons can remove some or all of a child's kidney through a tiny incision that leaves only a small scar.

- **Innovative approaches** — including sound waves — to treating kidney stones. Our kidney stone experts can also help prevent future kidney stones in children.

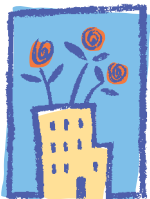
EXPERTISE WITH KIDNEY TRANSPLANTS

Our kidney transplant survival rates are among the highest in the United States, as are our graft acceptance rates.

Our transplant surgeons are internationally recognized for their expertise. Because of their high level of experience, they are able to perform transplants on even the tiniest of infants. Transplant patients are followed by our pediatric nephrologists from the pre-transplant phase until they are old enough to see adult nephrologists. The close attention that these children receive helps them successfully manage their health.

CONTACT US

To learn more about pediatric nephrology 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/nephrology/.



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