

FYI Fridays

September 5, 2014

UAB MEDICINE

PEDIATRICS



Children's
of Alabama



The new stained glass artwork in the Chair's office was created by Mary Aiken, an employee of Children's of Alabama

Welcome Dr. Cohen!

Thank y'all for the gracious and warm welcome this week as I began my tenure as chair in the Department of Pediatrics and physician in chief at Children's of Alabama. I could not have felt more at home - there seemed to be an abundance of bow ties this week! I am honored, humbled, and extremely excited to be working with all of you in this new role. As we move forward together, I want to thank Sergio Stagno, MD for his guidance and insights and also for his leadership during his 26+ years as chair. Fortunately, we will still have his warmth, wisdom and leadership to help us go forward. I also want to recognize the Department's increasingly strategic and strong partnership with Children's of Alabama, and to salute their dedication to our shared mission.

Clare Mallette and I have started this weekly e-letter, *FYI Fridays* as one way to keep you informed. We would like it to be helpful. Please tell us how we can make it better.



*Mitchell B. Cohen, MD
Professor and Chair*

I am happy to use it to recognize people and programs. Send us your news!

To start, I am pleased to share some thoughts about my vision for the Next Era. Our first and primary goal is to provide the highest quality of care for children in all of Alabama and the

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"Blended"

"Blended" is the title of the new stained glass artwork in the Chair's office. "Blended" represents the relationship between the Department of Pediatrics and Children's of Alabama. The work was created by Mary Aiken, an employee of Children's of Alabama, who also created the stained glass for the Russell Meditation Room.

New Faculty for September 2014

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| • Mitch Cohen, MD, Professor & Pediatric Chairman | September 2 |
| • Catherine Cotney, MD, PED After Hours Instructor | September 2 |
| • Liz Lewis, MD, PED After Hours Instructor | September 2 |
| • Candice Dye, MD, General Peds Assistant Professor | September 2 |
| • Krista Casazza, PhD, Adol Med Assistant Professor | September 2 |
| • Emily Casey, MD, Hospital Med Assistant Professor | September 15 |
| • Trent Tipple, MD, Neonatology Associate Professor | September 2 |

Upcoming Events

[2014 Pediatric Cancer and Blood Disorders Symposium](#)

October 23

2014 Pediatric Argus Award Nominees and Winners



Dr. Hussein Abdullatif

PEDIATRICS - Winner BEST CLINICAL DEPARTMENT (BIRMINGHAM)

Dr. Hussein Abdullatif - Winner *Caduceus Club Award for Best Clinical Instructor (Birmingham)*.

Dr. Hughes Evans - Winner *Best Educator in Patient, Doctor, Society*

Drs. Hussein Abdullatif & Shawn Galin, Directors - Winner *Best MS2 Organ Module (Endocrine)* and the *Dale J Benos Award for Best MS-2 Organ Module Director/Co-Director*.

Dr. Hussein Abdullatif and Dr. Kim Hoover - Nominated *Best Educators (Endocrine Module)*

Pediatrics - Nominated *Best Clinical Department (Huntsville)*

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Department’s Pediatric Website

Want to know more about our Department, a Division, faculty development, a training program or research? Check our Pediatric Website! If you have not explored the site, you should take a few minutes to look through. The URL is:

www.uab.edu/medicine/peds

Many have decided to make this helpful URL their homepage from which our Department calendar, announcements and a monthly list of Grand Rounds, can be found with just one click! And, there is a whole section of the website dedicated to Research.

To add or change information, please contact Clare Mallette, cmallette@peds.uab.edu.

Recent

Relocations:

- ◆ Dr. Sergio Stagno has moved to Lowder 416.
- ◆ Human Resources is now located in Lowder 604.

Faculty Development Opportunities

Registration for the 2014 Education Summit is now open!

The Education Summit is a full day of workshops and speakers on Friday, September 19th designed to enhance the teaching skills of UAB Faculty. Please go to <http://www.uab.edu/medicine/gim/education-summit> to register.

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region in conjunction with practicing pediatricians and pediatric surgical specialists in our state of the art, full-service facility. The second goal would be to further extend an already exciting learning environment for medical and nursing students, graduate students in biological sciences, house staff, and post-doctoral fellows that provides the educational foundation for their development as future leaders. This focus on training is also part of the long term renewal strategy to provide the next generation of physician scientists. The third goal is to achieve national prominence in laboratory, clinical translational and outcomes research comparable to the best national institutions. By so doing, we will advance discovery that will improve the future health of our patients. Finally, I believe we need to partner with others to extend advocacy for child health, both in Alabama and nationally, through legislative action and participation in academic societies and by acting outside the walls of Children's of Alabama and UAB, to improve community health.

The coming months will be a time of critical, strategic opportunity for the Department. In this Next Era, together with Children's of Alabama and the School of Medicine, we will want to identify strategic priorities that will help us achieve these goals. Please know I am already working hard to learn as much as I can about you and the culture that makes this Department and Children's so special. I know we stand united in our passion for children, our drive for discovery, and our spirit of enthusiastic collaboration amongst faculty, staff, and trainees.

I am grateful for this opportunity and confident in our future because of you, and I look forward to working alongside you and to serving you in this role. Together, through our shared mission, we will set new standards that change the outcome for the children of Alabama.

Sincerely,

Mitchell Cohen, MD

KPRI Application Process is open

Find KPRI Application information & instructions at: <http://www.uab.edu/medicine/peds/education/research/research/pediatric-research/18-fac-staff/fac-dev/48-kpri-grant-info> (on our pediatric website).

NOTE: UAB policy requires Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) to review all sponsored projects prior to submission. Therefore, all KPRI applications will need to be submitted to Carla Parrish (Lowder 606) no later than Friday, September 19th to ensure review by OSP prior to the COA 9/30/14 deadline.

Please include the completed UAB Extramural Support Checklist (<http://www.uab.edu/osp/forms>) and a copy of the application, including a detailed budget and budget justification. You will also need to complete the RPL form. Submitting the applications to UAB OSP prior to the award will expedite the process of obtaining a UAB grant account number for the projects that are funded.

SSPR Call for Abstracts

The SSPR has announced its call for abstracts for the 2015 American Federation for Medical Research and Participating Societies Regional Meetings.

[Click here for announcement and details](#)

We're on the Web!
www.uab.edu/medicine/peds