Hearts for Life across the World
WORLD DATABASE FOR PEDIATRIC AND CONGENITAL HEART SURGERY
Every child born anywhere in the world with a congenital heart defect should have access to appropriate medical and surgical care!

JOIN THE WORLD DATABASE!

Mission
As part of the mission of the World Society for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery, the World Database for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery has been developed and will be maintained for the purposes of furthering knowledge concerning the global practice and outcomes of pediatric and congenital heart surgery; fostering an environment of quality improvement in participating hospitals, without geographic constraints regarding eligibility for participation; and promoting scientific investigation and publication based on analyses of this world database, with collaboration among a wide array of international colleagues.

How can I enroll my hospital?
➢ Interested in learning more? Visit the link below and provide your contact information. A WDPCHS representative will reach out to you with more information.
   www.uab.edu/medicine/wdpchs/learnmore
➢ At least one member of the institution should be a member in good standing of the WSPCHS.
➢ Sign and return the WSPCHS Data Use Agreement and Participation Agreement.

FREE Database Participation
52 hospitals participating from 20 countries

Tier 1 and Tier 2 Surgeries Entered
   6658 Tier 1 Surgeries Entered
   5225 Tier 2 Surgeries Entered
   11883 Total Surgeries Entered*
   *As of October 2018

Tier 1 Surgeries
Index surgeries with expanded data collection including 1 year follow-up

Tier 2 Surgeries
All other surgeries with minimal data collection

>Data Coordinating Center:
Kirklin Institute for Research in Surgical Outcomes

“On January 1, 2017, the World Database for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery began accepting patients from programs across the globe. Since this historic date, the database has continued to evolve as both membership and case numbers have increased. During these two years, the submission process has improved, submission from North American centers has significantly increased the ability to establish strong benchmarking data, and we have begun supporting several NGOs in their mission to provide care to underdeveloped regions of the globe. During this next year, the database will continue to experience exponential growth. A formal relationship between the Chinese National Database will be solidified, and the first revision of the data entry forms will be introduced to members. It is a great time to be a member of the World Society for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery and all the opportunities that the society provides.”

- James D. St. Louis, MD
Secretary WDPCHS