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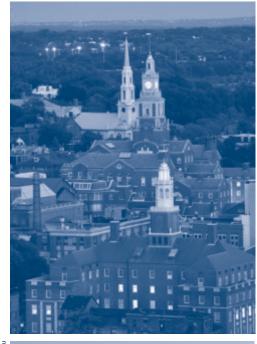


# NEWSLETTER

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# **39TH ANNUAL MEETING** October 13-16, 2010 in Providence, Rhode Island

#### REGISTRATION FOR THE 39TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHILD NEUROLOGY

Society in Providence, Rhode Island will begin on-line Thursday, July 8. The proposed scientific program is posted on the CNS Annual Meeting page, along with links to the Westin Providence reservation site; hotel reservations may be made in advance of meeting registration. Members planning on attending the Wednesday Neurobiology of Disease in Children Symposium will want to book a room on Tuesday evening, October 12. Registration for the NDC symposium closes September 13 OR when reservations for the 275 seats are filled. September 13 is also the deadline for receiving the \$50 early-registration discount.

Neurobiology of Disease in Children Symposium: Cerebrovascular Disease Supported by the National Institutes of Health (NIH grant 5R13NS040925-09), the Child Neurology Society, and the Children's Hemiplegia and Stroke Foundation

7:30 AM – 7:40 AM Opening Comments Bernard L. Maria, MD, MBA, Principal Investigator Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, Georgia Story Landis, PhD, Director of NINDS Bethesda, Maryland

7:40 AM – 10:15 AM SESSION I: CLINICAL ISSUES Co-Director and Moderator: Donna Ferriero, MD University of California San Francisco, San Francisco, California

7:40 AM – 8:10 AM Insights from an Emerging Field Co-Director Gabrielle deVeber, MD The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Ontario 8:10 AM – 8:50 AM Ischemic Stroke

8:10 AM – 8:30 AM Perinatal Arterial Ischemic Stroke Adam Kirton, MD, MSc Alberta Children's Hospital, Calgary, Alberta

8:30 AM – 8:50 AM Childhood Arterial Ischemic Stroke Heather Fullerton MD University of California San Francisco, San Francisco, California

8:50 AM – 9:30 AM Cerebral Sinovenous Thrombosis

8:50 AM – 9:10 AM Perinatal Cerebral Sinovenous Thrombosis Linda DeVries, MD Wilhelmina Children's Hospital, Utrecht, The Netherlands

9:10 AM – 9:30 AM Childhood Cerebral Sinovenous Thrombosis Fenella Kirkham, MBBS The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Ontario

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Donna Ferriero, MD President, CNS

IT HAS BEEN A BUSY WINTER AND OUR COMMITTEES have been hard at work. Some of other highlights include:

The Scientific Selection committee, under the able leadership of Steven Miller, has put together an exciting program for our meeting in Providence. Abstracts are being scored and there will be special attention paid to our junior members. We are enticing our junior members to the meeting with free registration, so please spread the word. Barry Kosofsky and his team on the Long Range Planning Committee have put recruiting trainees to Child Neurology and enhancing research opportunities and academic careers for residents and junior faculty high on the list. In addition the LRPC members have designed a survey to help us figure out how to better plan our meeting and get our constituency involved. Please take the time to respond to this important endeavor. The Membership committee has also been involved in expanding junior membership. A proposal was made that a junior member be so named when they start their pediatrics residency, not waiting until after they start the neurology phase of their training. This is being considered and will require a by-laws change.

The Awards committee, with a big thank you to Nigel Bamford, has helped us institute our first Gold Humanism Award for the 2010 meeting. Applications have been solicited and the awardee will be notified soon. There will be one Gold Foundation and one Lifetime Achievement Award presented this year. Congratulations to Sakku Naidu and Thomas Jessell for receipt of the Hower and Sachs Awards, respectively.

The **Training Committee** is working on developing and disseminating for general use approved modules for the Performance in Practice component of Maintenance of Certification. The strong recommendation is that existing practice parameters be used as the take-off point for QI/QA activities to be conducted locally in each practice and to be discussed and didactically guided via online webinars through the CNS website. Deborah Hirtz has agreed to co-chair the **Practice Committee** in the area of Practice Parameters and we have already been involved in reviewing and approving documents on brain death.

The **Ethics committee** met in liaison with AAN last month and covered a broad range of topics including ghost-writing, enhancement therapy, use of tPA in children, research in developing countries, conflicts of interest, PVS guidelines, and more. Contact Leon Epstein if you want to get involved in any of these projects.

Email conversations have also abounded, and there is one that I am requesting input on that is critical to **PCN** and training. We are going to ask the RRC to have a look at how we train child neurologists. Steve Roach has succinctly summarized email volumes as follows:

- Each child neurology resident must complete 12 months of training in clinical adult neurology. Programs are encouraged to schedule some of the adult neurology rotations during the second or third years of the program as a means to promote progressive responsibility for management of adult patients.
- 2. The adult neurology experience should provide an assortment of inpatient and outpatient rotations as well as training in relevant diagnostic testing procedures. Ordinarily no more than 6 of the 12 adult training months should be spent on inpatient rotations. After completing the adult neurology training, each child neurology trainee should be able to recognize and treat most basic neurological disorders of adults.
- 3. The child neurology program director should approve each year's rotation schedule for each trainee.

Please note that although the focus is on the first year, the other years are up for consideration and feedback as well. I am asking you all to ponder these issues and get back to Leon Dure, President of PCN, with any feedback.

Other committees have also been busy, and you will hear separately from some (see communication from

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9:30 AM – 9:50 AM Hemorrhagic Stroke Warren Lo, MD Nationwide Children's Hospital, Columbus, Ohio

9:50 AM – 10:15 AM Question and Answer Session

10:15 AM – 10:30 AM Coffee Break (out of room)

10:30 AM – 12:15 PM SESSION II: PATHOGENESIS Co-Director and Moderator: Zinaida Vexler, PhD, University of California San Francisco, San Francisco, California

10:30 AM-10:50 AM What genes are implicated in the pathogenesis of stroke? Frank Sharp, MD University of California-Davis, Irvine, California

10:50 AM – 11:10 AM Neurovascular Niche Eng Lo, MD, PhD Harvard University, Boston, Massachusetts

11:10-11:30 Inflammation and Stroke Zinaida Vexler, PhD University of California San Francisco, San Francisco, California

11:30-11:50 Dynamic and structural formation of thrombus: the inciting event in ischemic stroke Ulrike Nowa-Gottl, University of Muenster, Muenster, Germany

11:50 AM – 12:10 PM Neuroimaging neural plasticity, recovery and regeneration Michael Rivkin, Harvard University, Boston Massachusets

12:10 PM – 12:30 PM Question and Answer Session

12:30 PM – 1:30 PM Lunch and Presentation by the Children's Hemiplegia and Stroke Foundation

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM SESSION III: CURRENT MANAGEMENT AND THERAPIES Co-Director and Moderator: E. Steve Roach, MD, University of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio 1:30 PM – 1:50 PM American Heart Association Guidelines E. Steve Roach, MD University of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio

**1:50 PM – 2:10 PM Enhancing Cellular Survival: Acute Neuroprotection** Becky Ichord, MD, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**2:10 PM – 2:30 PM Constraint-Based Therapy and Rehabilitation** Edward Taub PhD, University of Alabama at Birmingham

2:30 PM – 4:15 PM (in room coffee) SESSION IV: CONTROVERSIES AND UNANSWERED QUESTIONS Co-Director and Moderator: Gabrielle deVeber, MD The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Ontario

2:30 PM – 2:50 PM How to treat newborn Cerebral Sinovenous Thrombosis? Mahendra Moharir, MD The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Canada

2:50 PM – 3:10 PM Should a child with AIS be anticoagulated? If so, how? Heather Fullerton, MD, MAS University of California San Francisco, San Francisco, California

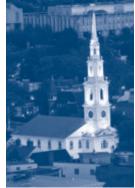
**3:10 PM – 3:30 PM Does hypothermia have a role in therapy?** Donna Ferriero MD

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE DAY

4:00 PM – 4:55 PM SESSION V: FUTURE DIRECTIONS PANEL DISCUSSION Moderator: Deborah Hirtz, MD NINDS Program Director

4:55 PM – 5:00 PM Closing Comments and Thanks Bernard L. Maria, MD, MBA, Principal Investigator Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, GA





Registration materials will be sent and on-line registration will begin July 8.

# CHILD NEUROLOGY Committee Updates

### Legislative Affairs Committee by judi buckalew & bennett lavenstein, md, lac chair

#### THIS PAST YEAR HAS BEEN REMARKABLE FOR

the passage of Health Care Reform legislation. It has also been remarkable for the creativity and initiative taken by the Child Neurology Society to utilize this remarkable opportunity to enact legislation that will be of great benefit to our members, patients and their families.

Our team has worked relentlessly for the past three years to put together a successful legislative effort to enact legislation to create a Pediatric Specialty Loan Repayment Program. Under the guidance provided by our Washington representative, Judi Buckalew, we established the pediatric workforce working group, a coalition consisting of representatives for most of the pediatric medical and surgical specialty organizations, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Council of Pediatric Specialties and the National Children's Hospital Association.

By combining forces with our pediatric colleagues, we were able to convince Senator Sherrod Brown (D- Ohio) to introduce the "Pediatric Workforce Investment Act" on June 8, 2009 to establish and carry out a pediatric specialty loan repayment program. Senator Brown then added his legislation to the Senate version of the health care reform bill, which became the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) signed into law by President Obama on March 23, 2010.

The PPACA contains two provisions of special interest to child neurologists, described below:

#### Pediatric Specialty Loan Repayment Program

PPACA establishes a new pediatric specialty loan repayment program. Under the new program, the Secretary of Health and Human Services is directed to establish and carry out a pediatric specialty loan repayment program under which the eligible individual agrees to be employed full-time for a specified period of no less than two years in providing pediatric medical subspecialty, pediatric surgical specialty or child and adolescent mental health and behavioral health care, including substance abuse prevention and treatment services.

The HHS Secretary agrees to make payments of not more than \$35,000 per year for no more than three years on the principle and interest of undergraduate, graduate or graduate medical education loans for qualified health professionals who agree to provide care in an area with a shortage of the specified pediatric subspecialty. Payments are for participation in an accredited pediatric medical subspecialty, pediatric surgical specialty, or child and adolescent mental health subspecialty residency or fellowship.

Qualified health professionals are defined as a licensed physician who is entering or receiving training in an accredited pediatric medical subspecialty or pediatric surgical specialty residency or fellowship. Qualified health professionals are also defined as individuals who have completed training or clinical experience in child or adolescent mental health in psychiatry, psychology, school psychology, behavioral pediatrics, psychiatric nursing, social work, school social work, substance abuse disorder prevention and treatment, marriage and family therapy, school counseling or professional counseling. Health professionals with a license or certification to practice allopathic medicine, osteopathic medicine are also eligible for loan support under this new program.

Additional eligibility requirements require the HHS Secretary to limit participation to individuals who are U.S. citizens or permanent legal residents of the United States. The individual must agree to work in, or for, a provider serving a health professional shortage area or medically underserved area, or to serve a medically underserved population. Priority will be given to individuals working in a school or pre-kindergarten, elementary or secondary school setting who have familiarity with evidence-based methods and cultural and linguistic competence and who demonstrate financial need.

The PPACA language authorizes \$ 30 million dollars for fiscal years 2010 through 2014 to carry out the pediatric medical subspecialist and pediatric surgical specialist loan program, and \$20 million dollars for fiscal years 2010 through 2013 for the child and adolescent mental health loan program.

Despite the mention of authorized funding in PPACA, these programs will not be viable unless funding is provided through the Congressional appropriations process. Representative Rosa DeLauro (D- Connecticut) has requested \$3 million dollars for the pediatric medical subspecialist and surgical specialist loan program and \$2 million dollars for the child and adolescent mental health loan program in the FY 2011 HHS spending bill. The Pediatric Work Force Work Group members are seeking similar support from elected officials serving on the House and Senate Appropriation Committees.

HHS must write implementing regulations before the new program can take effect. HHS will most likely assign the new pediatric specialty loan forgiveness program to the Health Resource Services Administration (HRSA) for implementation and administration. If funding is secured in the FY2011 HHS appropriations bill, this will stimulate rapid rule writing at HRSA for the new loan forgiveness program.

# Increased Medicaid payments for pediatric care:

Another significant provision of interest to pediatricians and pediatric specialists found in PPACA is a legislative change to Medicaid that now requires any physician with a primary specialty designation of family medicine, general internal medicine or pediatric medicine to receive a Medicaid payment rate of no less than 100% of Medicare payment for evaluation/ management codes in the years 2013-2014.

CNS has recently joined the AAP and other pediatric organizations in sending a letter to HHS Secretary Sebelius asking for an opportunity to work with HHS on the implementation of the new Medicaid payment rules. The letter further urges that the implementing regulations should clarify that all pediatric subspecialists be deemed eligible for inclusion in this new Medicaid payment increase.

CNS has more advocacy work ahead, as these important new programs are implemented at the Department of Health and Human Services over the coming year. We appreciate the assistance provided by our leadership, our legislative affairs committee and our members in successfully enacting these new programs to benefit child neurology.

# NOMINATING COMMITTEE Candidate Profiles

# Candidates for President-Elect – 2010

**LAURA R. MENT**, is Professor, Departments of Pediatrics and Neurology, and Associate Dean at Yale University School of Medicine. A graduate of Brown University and the Brown Medical Science Program, Dr. Ment was awarded her MD from Tufts University. She received her training in both Pediatrics and Neurology at the Massachusetts General Hospital and was a visiting fellow in neonatal neurology with Pamela Davies, MD, at the Hammersmith Hospital. Following completion of her training, Dr. Ment joined the faculty at Yale, and she has enjoyed working there since that time. In 2006, Dr. Ment was appointed Dean for Admissions at the School of Medicine, and in 2009 she also assumed responsibility for financial aid for the School.

The focus of Dr. Ment's group has been injury and recovery in the developing preterm brain. Following both preclinical investigations and pilot clinical trials, Dr. Ment's group demonstrated that low dose indomethacin both lowered the incidence and decreased the severity of intraventricular hemorrhage in very low birth weight preterm neonates (NS 27116, 9-01-89 - 3-31-10). The neurobehavioral and longitudinal magnetic resonance imaging studies of this cohort, the largest and oldest very low birth cohort in the United States today, have demonstrated alterations in both microstructural and functional connectivity in preterm subjects compared to term controls at school age, adolescence and young adulthood. This work has led to an NIHfunded program project grant investigating the adaptive mechanisms of developing brain (NS PO1 35476) and most recently to a 26-site genetic study exploring the gene targets for injury in preterm neonates.(NS 053865) For these investigations, Dr. Ment's group has been continuously funded by NIH for over 22 years.

Dr. Ment served on the NINDS Program Project and Clinical Trial Study Section from 1996 – 2001, was a member of the NINDS Clinical trials Subcommittee from 2000 – 2003, and served on the NANDS Council of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke from 2005 – 2009. Dr. Ment served as Chair of the Clinical Trials Subcommittee for the Council from 2006 – 2009, and was a member of the Education Committee, the NINDS steering Committee and the NINDS Clinical Trials Planning Module. In addition to other NIH service positions, she was also the Chair of the Data Safety Monitoring Committee for the THROP Trial (The Study of Thyroid Hormone in Prematures, 2004 – 2008) for NINDS. In addition, Dr. Ment has served on numerous scientific selection committees for the Society for Pediatric Research, the Pediatric Academic Society and the Child Neurology Society and as Councilor from the East for the CNS.

Dr. Ment often says she has the nicest job at Yale and is dedicated to both teaching and service. She attends on both the pediatric neurology and pediatrics services at Yale New Haven Hospital and has been honored with the Leah Lowenstein Award (twice), the Francis Gilman Blake Award and membership in the Society of Distinguished Teachers at Yale University. Finally, as Chair of the Dean's Task Force on Senior Women, she was responsible for the creation of 5 new fully-funded tenure slots for senior women at Yale University School of Medicine **STEVE ROACH** is Professor of Pediatrics and Neurology at Ohio State University, where he is Chief of the Division of Child Neurology and Vice-Chair of the Department of Pediatrics. Earlier he held the Helen and Robert Strauss Professorship in Neurology at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, where he was Chief of Child Neurology and Vice-Chair of the Department of Neurology. He received an MD degree from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis and trained in pediatrics and neurology at Wake Forest University Medical Center in North Carolina. Dr. Roach has served as Councilor of the Child Neurology Society and just finished a 6 year term as the CNS representative to the Certification Council of the United Council for Neurological Specialties (UCNS). He also chaired the CNS Membership Committee and served on its By-laws and Long-Range Planning Committees. He was co-organizer of the 2003 Neurobiology of Disease Symposium on tuberous sclerosis complex and the 2010 symposium devoted to childhood stroke. He was elected chair of the Section of Child Neurology of the American Academy of Neurology and to the Executive Council of the American Neurological Association. He is a member of the Stroke Council of the American Heart Association and in 2009 was appointed to the Heart Association's Stroke Advisory Committee.

His work has focused on childhood stroke and tuberous sclerosis complex. The 1988 first edition of his book Pediatric Cerebrovascular Disorders was a key early contribution that helped initiate the study of childhood stroke, and he recently led the American Heart Association group that developed evidence-based guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of childhood stroke. He was senior author of the recently released sixth edition of the classic stroke textbook Toole's Cerebrovascular Disorders. He has participated in several NIHsponsored trials on the effect of periodic transfusions on the stroke risk of individuals with sickle cell disease. He wrote the still-used 1998 consensus diagnostic criteria for tuberous sclerosis complex and led NIH-sponsored research on neuro-imagining in tuberous sclerosis. In 2009, he chaired the Department of Defense Research Program's study section on tuberous sclerosis. For the past 13 years Dr. Roach has served as Associate Editor of Archives of Neurology, where he edits the long-running "Controversies in Neurology" and "Commentaries in Neurology" columns. He is also on the editorial boards of Journal of Stroke and Cerebrovascular Disorders, Journal of Neurological Sciences, Pediatric Neurology, Clinical Neurology and Neurosurgery, and Journal of Child Neurology. Additional books include Neurocutaneous Disorder and Sturge-Weber Syndrome. As a dedicated teacher, he has received three resident teaching awards. Other awards include the 1999 Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of Tennessee College of Medicine and the 2002 Manual Gomez Award from the Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance.

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# Candidates for Secretary-Treasurer – 2010

**DANIEL J. BONTHIUS** is Professor of Pediatrics and Neurology at the University of Iowa, where he also directs the child neurology residency program. He completed medical school and graduate school at the University of Iowa. He then traveled as a Fulbright Scholar to New Zealand, where he conducted neuroanatomy research and lectured at the University of Otago in Dunedin. At the completion of the Fulbright, he moved to the University of Virginia, where he completed a pediatrics residency and a post-doctoral fellowship with Dr. Ossie Steward. He then returned to the University of Iowa, where he completed a pediatric neurology residency under the mentorship of Dr. Bill Bell and a second postdoctoral fellowship under Dr. Gary Van Hoesen. At the University of Iowa, he has risen through the ranks and was promoted to Professor last year.

Dr. Bonthius directs a basic neuroscience research laboratory in which he and his colleagues study the mechanisms underlying neurologic birth defects and are developing gene therapies for neurological diseases. They are currently developing a viral vector-based gene therapy for Alexander Disease. For his research, Dr. Bonthius was awarded the Young Investigator Award from the Child Neurology Society. He tries to understand all that happens in his lab, but is surrounded by smart people who often outpace him.

Dr. Bonthius is active in many academic and research organizations. He has served as treasurer, vice-president and president of the international Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Study Group. He is a member of the Child Neurology Society, where he serves on the Awards Committee and Archives Committee. He has been an examiner for the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology and has served on several NIH study sections. He is a member of the editorial board of the Journal of Neurodevelopmental Disorders and has served as a reviewer for numerous journals of neuroscience and clinical neurology. In his spare time, he works toward his goal of running a sub-five-minute mile, a goal that becomes more daunting with each passing day. Because he's getting old, he now participates in the Senior Olympics, where his history of constitutional delay as a child is now working toward his advantage. **HARVEY S. SINGER** is currently Haller Professor of Pediatric Neurology and Director of Child Neurology at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. He grew up in the Bronx and Long Island, went to college and medical school in Ohio (Oberlin College and Western Reserve Univ.), did his pediatric training in Chicago and Cleveland, and his pediatric neurology residency at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, after which he remained on the faculty. Clinical research interests include movement disorders, especially Tourette syndrome, proposed autoimmune disorders, and stereotypic movements. His translational research oriented laboratory focuses on autoimmune mechanisms in autism, PANDAS, the neurobiology of tics, and the mechanism of stereotypic movements in animal models. He has been the recipient of numerous federal and private grants.

Dr Singer has served in numerous roles as part of his commitment to the Child Neurology Society, Professors of Child Neurology (PCN), American Academy of Neurology (AAN), Movement Disorder Society, American Neurological Association, and Association of University Professors of Neurology. He served as President of the Professors of Child Neurology from 2002-2004 and Secretary-Treasurer of that organization from 1994-1997. He has held various positions within the Child Neurology Society including current Chairman of the SF Match Committee, Past Chair of the Training Committee, as well as member of the Nomination, Research, Archives, Practice, Education and Training Committees. He is currently the Secretary-Treasurer of the United Council for Neurological Subspecialties, Councilor for the Child Neurology Section of the AAN, and course-Director for the AAN. He has served on numerous editorial boards and medical advisory panels. Dr Singer has authored numerous articles, chapters, and two books; the latest, a must read text, published in 2010, entitled Movement Disorders in Childhood (Singer, Mink, Gilbert, and Jankovic). He enjoys biking, travel, visiting his five grandchildren, and work.

## Candidates for Councillor from the South – 2010

**GARY CLARK** is currently Professor of Pediatrics, Neurology and Neuroscience, Director, Section of Child Neurology and Developmental Neuroscience at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas. A native of Baton Rouge, LA, Dr. Clark received his B.S. in Computer Science from Louisiana State University in 1978 and his MD (AOA) in 1982 from Louisiana State University School of Medicine in New Orleans. He did an internship and residency in pediatrics at Boston Children's Hospital and Harvard Medical School, followed by a fellowship in pediatric neurology at Washington University School of Medicine and its affiliated Children's Hospital and Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis and a research fellowship at Washington University. At Washington University he received the Irwin Levy Prize for outstanding neurology teaching. His research interests have involved the roles of lipid mediators in synaptic function and formation and the roles of Lis1 in brain formation. He has received K and R grants from the NIH and has publications in Nature, Pediatrics, PNAS and Nature Genetics, amongst others. Dr. Clark's current research and clinical interests involve the genetics of human brain development.

Dr. Clark was appointed Assistant Professor of Neurology, Pediatrics and Neuroscience at LSU School of Medicine (1990), before joining Baylor College of Medicine in1994 as Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Neurology and Neuroscience. In 2003 he became Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Neurology and director of the Child Neurology Residency Training Program (2003 to 2005). In July 2004, Dr. Clark became the head of the Baylor Pediatrics Section of Neurology and Developmental Neuroscience and Chief of Texas Children's Hospital Neurology Service. In April 2004, the American Academy of Neurology (AAN) presented its highest honor to a child neurologist, the Sidney D. Carter Award in Child Neurology to Dr. Clark.

Over 40 trainees in child neurology and neurodevelopmental pediatrics have been taught and supervised since Dr. Clark has been Program Director and later Chief of Neurology at Baylor College of Medicine. During that time, the child neurology training program has been expanded from 2 fellows per year to 4 and there has been a successful approval for 2 neurodevelopmental fellows per year. The program under Dr. Tim Lotze's tutelage has just been approved for 5 years with commendations. Dr. Clark has recruited 29 of the current 48 faculty in the division, and has nurtured a \$113 million dollar (to date) capital campaign to build the Jan and Dan Duncan Texas Children's Hospital Neurologic Research Institute under the direction of Dr. Huda Zoqhbi.

Dr. Clark has been a member of the Child Neurology Society since 1984. He has served on the Scientific Selection (Chairman from 2005 to 2007), the Research Committee, and the Child Neurology Foundation Scientific Awards Committee. During this time he and the wonderful staff of the Child Neurology Society (Mary Currey and Roger Larson) developed the online submission of program proposals, abstract reviews, and he expanded the scientific and program selection committee. Dr. Clark was a Board examiner for the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, Inc. for several years.

**EDWIN TREVATHAN** is currently the Director of the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD) at Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta. He is currently the only pediatrician and only neurologist in senior leadership at CDC, where he has worked to raise the visibility of the needs of children, especially those with neurological disorders and disabilities. In addition to his leadership role at CDC, Trevathan serves on a variety of HHS committees related to neurological disorders in children such as autism, muscular dystrophy, and epilepsy.

Prior to his return to CDC in 2007, Dr. Trevathan was Professor of Neurology and Pediatrics, and Director of the Division of Pediatric and Developmental Neurology at Washington University in St. Louis, and Neurologist-in-Chief at St. Louis Children's Hospital. While at Washington University he more than doubled the size of the child neurology residency training program, and served as a Counselor for the Professors of Child Neurology. Dr. Trevathan's prior experience includes co-founding a private child neurology group practice (Child Neurology Associates) in Atlanta, and directing comprehensive epilepsy centers at both University of Kentucky and at St. Louis Children's Hospital. He is now an Adjunct Professor at both Washington University in St. Louis and at Emory University.

Dr. Trevathan has conducted epidemiologic studies of childhood epilepsy and developmental disabilities, has directed multi-center clinical trials, and has authored or co-authored over 100 clinical and scientific publications. He is a regular reviewer for numerous journals, and he serves on the editorial boards of Neurology, the Disability and Health Journal, and the Journal of Developmental Origins of Health and Disease. He lectures nationally and internationally.

Dr. Trevathan obtained his B.S. (Chemistry and Math) from the Lipscomb University in Nashville, TN. He received his MD and MPH at Emory University, where he was elected to Alpha Omega Alpha. He completed his residency training in pediatrics at Yale University School of Medicine, and in neurology and child neurology at Massachusetts General Hospital. He was a fellow in clinical neurophysiology at Boston Children's Hospital. He also trained as an Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) Officer at the CDC. He is board-certified in pediatrics, neurology with special qualification in child neurology, and in clinical neurophysiology.

### Candidates for Councillor to the West – 2010

**CHRISTOPHER GIZA** completed his undergraduate degree with high honors in Biochemistry at Dartmouth College. He received his MD from West Virginia University in 1990, and finished an internship in medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. After his adult neurology residency at UCLA, he 'saw the light' and completed his clinical training with a pediatric internship and child neurology fellowship, also at UCLA. Following this, Chris took the path less traveled, where he spent winters working in private practice and two seasons with the Yosemite Search and Rescue team, seeing neurotrauma in the field and solidifying his clinical and research interests in this area.

Upon returning to academics in 1998, Chris spent the next 3 years as a postdoctoral fellow at the UCLA Brain Injury Research Center, investigating mechanisms of lost plasticity after developmental/pediatric traumatic brain injury (TBI), an area where he continues to work to this day. He joined the faculty in Pediatric

Neurology and Neurosurgery at UCLA in 2001, where he is currently an Associate Professor. His major basic science interests include molecular mechanisms of altered plasticity, recovery of function, mild TBI, post-traumatic epileptogenesis and imaging neural activation. His laboratory investigations are supported by grants from NIH and the Department of Defense, and he was awarded the first Shields Fellowship by the Child Neurology Foundation. Clinically, he directs the UCLA Pediatric TBI clinic and his clinical interests include recovery and plasticity, post-traumatic headaches, epilepsy, and sports concussions. He is the PI for a clinical study investigating continuous EEG monitoring for acute seizures after moderate-severe pediatric TBI, supported by the Thrasher Research Foundation, and co-investigator on an NIH funded study of white matter injury and recovery following pediatric TBI.

In addition to his clinical and research interests, Chris is Co-Chair of the AAN committee currently writing an evidence-based practice

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parameter for sports concussions. He served as Secretariat for the 2009 combined meeting of the National and International Neurotrauma Societies, and currently is Vice-Chair of the California State Athletic Commission. He serves on the Blue Ribbon Panel for the Department of Defense, which helps craft policies for TBI evaluation and management in the military. Chris also enjoys teaching at all levels, and has mentored students from undergraduates to housestaff, including 14 child neurology fellows, 19 undergraduates, 12 graduate students and 7 postdocs.

**SIDNEY M. GOSPE, JR.** is the Head of Pediatric Neurology at Seattle Children's Hospital and is Professor of Neurology and Pediatrics and the holder of the Herman and Faye Sarkowsky Endowed Chair at the University of Washington.

He received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in biological sciences from Stanford University and his MD and PhD degrees from Duke University. He trained in both pediatrics and pediatric neurology at Baylor College of Medicine. After completing training in 1986, Dr. Gospe was on the faculties of the Albany Medical College and the University of California, Davis, before being recruited to the University of Washington in 2000. During that period of time, he has mentored 24 residents in child neurology.

For the Child Neurology Society, Dr. Gospe has served on the Junior Member Committee, the Finance Committee and the CNS/CNF Scientific Awards Committee. He previously served two terms on the Executive Committee of the Section on Neurology of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Dr. Gospe is an examiner in child neurology for the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology and a member of the Neurology Certification Examination Committee, and he is a member of the American Board of Pediatrics, serving on the Program for Maintenance of Certification in Pediatrics (PMCP) Examination Committee.

Dr. Gospe's clinical and research interests include pyridoxine-dependent epilepsy and neurotoxicology. His patient care duties include clinics and inpatient attending at Seattle Children's, as well as neurology outreach to various centers in Southeast and Southwest Alaska, and developing telemedicine neurology services to communities in Montana.

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Philip R. Dodge Young Investigator Award Endowment Fund

# Philip R. Dodge Young Investigator Award Fundraising Committee Launched

A COMMITTEE CHARGED WITH RAISING FUNDS IN SUPPORT OF THE PHILIP R. DODGE YOUNG INVESTIGATOR Award has been launched, under the chairmanship of Darryl De Vivo, MD. The twenty members invited to join the committee – all of whom have accepted and made substantial initial pledges – include:

Nigel Bamford, MD, PhD Roger Brumback, MD Gary Clark, MD Darryl De Vivo, MD Ed Dodson, MD Donna Ferriero, MD (ex officio) Marvin Fishman, MD Sydney Gospe, MD, PhD Robert Greenwood, MD Stanley Johnsen, MD Mary Johnson, MD Edward Kaye, MD Jonathan Mink, MD, PhD Vinodh Narayanan, MD Michael Noetzel, MD Scott Pomeroy, MD, PhD Arthur Prensky, MD Robert Rust, MD Bradley Schlaggar, MD, PhD Joseph Volpe, MD Huda Zoghbi, MD

CNS Members will be contacted by a committee member over the summer months to enlist their support.

### CHILD NEUROLOGY SOCIETY From the President continued from page two

#### Bennett Lavenstein from Legislative Affairs).

Larry Brown, President of CNF, has been busy raising awareness and much needed funding to foster the field of child neurology. Among the fundraising projects: a new initiative called the Circle of 25 to target professional athletes and other individuals; the first annual Minneapolis Mardi Gras in support of the CNF honored Ken Swaiman and netted \$40,000 in addition to \$80,000 industry support to resume the medical student summer scholarships starting in 2011; a pre-season football game with the Philadelphia Eagles brought 100 medical students. An infantile spasms awareness project included a web site, DVD and brochures for parents and primary care providers and \$30,000 was raised for a research award to study infantile spasms that soon will be posted. A transition manual is being planned aimed at preparing young adults and families of disabled children for transition to adult care, in keeping with the wonderful message of Peter Camfield at his Hower lecture last year. Lastly, the CNF is working on a project with the Association of School Nurses to educate their membership on important neurological problems of children; if successful, funding will be underwritten by a Congressional earmark with joint sponsorship in both the Senate and House of Representatives.

So please don't just read this newsletter. I am still anxious to hear your thoughts about our society and ways to increase our visibility and effectiveness. Please email me at donna.ferriero@ucsf.edu with any comments.

# ASSOCIATION OF CHILD NEUROLOGY NURSES Claire Chee Award for Excellence in Child Neurology Nursing



THE CLAIRE CHEE AWARD FOR Excellence in Child Neurology Nursing was established by the Association of Child Neurology Nurses in the year 2000. This award, given annually, recognizes and honors the nurse who,

as a member of the ACNN, has rendered distinguished service within the profession of child neurology nursing. The recipient is one who demonstrates, through strength of character and competence, a commitment to the care of children and their families with neurological disorders. She/he is acknowledged by her/his peers as one who renders qualities of compassion, resourcefulness, leadership, knowledge, communication, and inspiration. Nominees for the Award for Excellence may be submitted by any member of the Association of Child Neurology Nurses or the Child Neurology Society to the ACNN Award Committee. The ACNN Award Committee will evaluate the nominations and determine the most deserving candidate for the year. The Award will be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of Child Neurology Nurses.

Please submit nominations via **e-mail** only by **June 30, 2010**. Nomination forms are available at www.acnn.org or by contacting ACNN Awards Committee Chair, Amy Vierhile, RN, MS, C-PNP at amy\_vierhile@urmc.rochester.edu.

Completed applications with all supporting documents should be submitted by via **e-mail** only by **June 30, 2010**.

Phone Inquires: Amy Vierhile, RN, MS, C-PNP, 585/275-4762.

# CHILD NEUROLOGY SOCIETY Personnel Registry

#### CNS PERSONNEL REGISTRY FLORIDA

St. Petersburg/Tampa - We are offering an excellent opportunity for a qualified, BC/BE Pediatric Neurologist. We are a long-term successful hospital based (All Children's Hospital) private practice in St. Petersburg, FL. Our facilities include a state-of-the-art Epilepsy Monitoring Unit and a modern Neurophysiology laboratory.

We offer a very complete and competitive compensation package, including a 401K plan, plus a productivity bonus. PARTNERSHIP, TEACHING AND RESEARCH opportunities are also available.

Interested candidates, please send or e-mail your current CV to:

#### Contact

Joseph A. Casadonte, MD Medical Director Pediatric Neurology Associates 625 6th Avenue South, Ste 405 St. Petersburg, FL 33701 Tel: 727/498-8994; Fax: 727/498-8982

#### CNS PERSONNEL REGISTRY GEORGIA

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta is seeking a pediatric neurologist to join a growing neurosciences program. Candidates with an interest in general pediatric neurology and/or developmental and neurobehavioral disorders are welcome to apply. We serve the full range of children with neurological disorders and are expanding our state-of-the-art epilepsy center services. Currently, there are 15 neurologists in the area with a patient base of Atlanta and the State of Georgia serving one of the fastest growing pediatric populations in the nation.

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, a not-forprofit organization, is committed to enhancing the lives of children through excellence in patient care, research and education. Managing 489 staffed beds and more than half a million patient visits annually at three hospitals and 15 satellite locations, Children's is one of the largest clinical care providers for children in the country. Children's offers access to more than 30 pediatric specialties, and has been consistently ranked among the top children's hospitals by *Child* magazine and *U.S. News & World Report.* 

Atlanta offers something for everyone. Whether you'd enjoy the Atlanta Ballet or the Atlanta Braves, a day at the World of Coke or the Fern Bank Museum, Atlanta is never short on entertainment. Great school options for children and adults, a host of dining choices, short drives in all directions for great weekend getaways – too much to name. Find out more about Atlanta life at http://www.atlanta.net/

#### Contact

Claire Williams, Physician Recruiter Tel: 404/785-6888

Child Neurology Associates is seeking a well trained General Child Neurologist to join our group. We are a private practice located in Atlanta, Georgia consisting of 8 Pediatric Neurologists, 4 Nurse Practitioners and 2 Physician Assistants affiliated with one of the largest children's heathcare systems in the U.S. including a hospital supported Neuroscience Center of Excellence.

In our group, several subspecialties are represented, including epilepsy, neuromuscular/spasticity, neonatal, and behavioral. We also have an active clinical research program, an in-house EEG Lab, and both a comprehensive Epilepsy Program providing LTVEEG, epilepsy surgery, and VNS and MDA Program with which we actively participate through Children's Healthcare of Atlanta.

Call is shared equally. And, we offer a superior lifestyle which includes an excellent starting salary, as well as a benefit package that includes healthcare (medical, dental, vision), a bonus plan, and a 401k and Pension and Profit Sharing Plan.

Atlanta is a world class city of over 4 million. It is ranked 5th in the nation among cities with the most Fortune 500 companies and our practice is located in a very desirable part of the the Greater Atlanta Metropolitan Area close to many beautiful in town and suburban communities.

Forward your CV and cover letter to: Raymond Cheng, MD or Edward Goldstein, MD Child Neurology Associates, P.C. 5505 Peachtree Dunwoody Road Suite 500 Atlanta, GA. 30342 Tel: 404/256-3535 x103 (Dr. Cheng) Tel: 404/256-3535 x102 (Dr. Goldstein)

Debra Rosenberg, Director Child Neurology Associates, P.C. 5505 Peachtree Dunwoody Road Suite 500 Atlanta, GA. 30342 Tel: 404/256-3535 x116

# CNS PERSONNEL REGISTRY

Carle Physician Group, a 315-physician group in East Central Illinois with a service area of 1.5 million residents, is searching for an additional BE/BC Pediatric Neurologist to join an established department in Urbana, Illinois. CPG is part of an integrated network of healthcare services that is locally owned and physician led: its not-for-profit parent company is Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana, Illinois. This is a 100% Pediatric Neurology practice. Carle Foundation Hospital, a 305-bed facility that is a designated Level I Trauma Center with Level III perinatal services, has a Pediatric Hospitalist service and a Pediatric ICU service. Pediatric subspecialties include Gastroenterology, Developmental-Behavioral, Pulmonology, and Neonatology. Carle Clinic has a BC Pediatric Neurosurgeon on staff and there is a rotating Pediatric Cardiology service. Position features academic and/or research affiliation with the University of Illinois, if desired. Competitive compensation package and excellent benefits offered (including paid malpractice insurance with no tail). Urbana-Champaign has a metro population of 195,000, is home to the Big 10 University of Illinois, and is located 2 hours from Chicago and Indianapolis and 3 hours from St. Louis.

#### For more information, please contact:

Dawn Goeddel, Search Consultant Tel: 800/436-3095, x 4103 Fax: 217/337-4119 E-mail: dawn.goeddel@carle.com

#### **Two Pediatric Neurologists Sought**

The Department of Neurology of Southern Illinois University School of Medicine is seeking two Pediatric Neurologists at the rank of Assistant/Associate Professor of Clinical Neurology to join four other pediatric neurology faculty. Specialty interests in headache, epilepsy, neuromuscular disorders, acute care neurology, and developmental disorders are especially welcome. The successful applicants will participate in inpatient care at local hospitals, outpatient activities of child neurology, and teaching of residents and medical students. There are also many research opportunities. SIU School of Medicine is affiliated with Children's Hospital, which is a tertiary referral center for central and southern Illinois with a trauma-certified PICU and 40-bed Level III NICU. There are 12 full-time and 4 part-time clinical faculty in

the Department of Neurology, and several cross-appointed faculty in the basic sciences and pathology. The capital city of Springfield is not far from St. Louis and accessible to Chicago. Faculty enjoy a stimulating work environment and comfortable lifestyle with lower cost of living and commuting distance in a university town environment. Call and service schedules are reasonable. Applicants must be board certified/board eligible in Pediatric Neurology and have strong clinical and teaching skills. Illinois licensure prior to employment is required. Salary is competitive with excellent retirement and fringe benefits.

#### Please contact and send CV to:

Michael Pranzatelli, MD, Chair of Child and Adolescent Neurology, SIU School of Medicine, PO Box 19643, Springfield, IL 62794-9643. SIU School of Medicine is an EO/AA employer. This position has been designated as security-sensitive, and employment is contingent upon a background investigation.



#### We offer an employed position with an opportunity for inpatient NICU consultation (71-bed neonatal ICU) and a busy outpatient practice. Our neonatal neuro program includes whole body cooling and other advanced protocols.

We are in the development stages of adding a new pediatric inpatient unit and PICU over the next 2 years and our candidate would be an important part of the development team for this project. In addition, we have interest in opening an OP pediatric sleep disorders clinic and would welcome a candidate with interest in this area.

#### About the Hospital

Overland Park Regional Medical Center was the first hospital in Johnson County. Since its founding more than 25 years ago, the hospital has grown to reflect the changing needs of the community. Located at I-435 and Quivira Road in Overland Park, Kansas, this 244-bed, acute care hospital offers the only trauma Center and Level III Neonatal Intensive Care nursery in Johnson County. Check out our website: www.oprmc.com

#### About the community

The Kansas City Metro Area is comprised of 1.9 million people living on both sides of the state line (Missouri and Kansas). It is located near the geographic center of the nation and is known as the "Heart of America". Location is one of Kansas City's best attributes, possibly having the best access to anywhere in the world! Kansas City is known for it's hospitality, low cost of living (ranked 11th most affordable), nationally recognized school districts, high profile hometown business headquarters (Hallmark, Sprint, Cerner, H&R Block, American Century Investments), professional sports teams and course, barbeque! Three of our suburbs have been ranked in the Top 50 Best Cities to Live in CNN/Money Magazine and Forbes Magazine has ranked Johnson County, Kansas the 3rd best place to raise a family in the United States. Also, due to Kansas City's high earning potential and low cost of living, it ranked sixth as one of the 50 Smartest Places to Live by *Kiplinger's* Magazine.

#### Contact

Kathleen Kyer, Manager, Pediatric Subspecialty Recruitment Tel: 937/235-5890 www.opkansas.org/Things-to-See-And-Do

### MASSACHUSETTS

### Massachusetts General Hospital for Children/ LADDERS

The LADDERS program at invites applications for the unique opportunity of Child Neurologist Neurodevelopmental Pediatrician at the Massachusetts General Hospital for

#### Children.

Applicants must be BC in Child Neurology or Neurodevelopmental Disabilities. This position offers an opportunity for research and teaching. Applicants with autism experience are desirable.

The Luire Center/LADDERS program is a world renowned multidisciplinary program for children, adolescents and adults with autism, pervasive developmental disorders, Rett syndrome, learning disabilities, Attention Deficit Disorder, seizures and headaches. With the support and commitment of the Massachusetts General Hospital, we seek to expand the program so that the highest quality services reach both children and adults. Our site is located in the historic suburb of Lexington Massachusetts. The opportunities for collaboration with the Boston MGH site are numerous.

#### Contact

Ann Neumeyer, MD Medical Director Lurie Family Autism Center/LADDERS 1 Maguire Road Lexington, MA 02421 781/860-1700



#### Department of Health and Human Services National Institutes of Health National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke Medical Officer (Program Director) Position Office of Clinical Research

We seek an accomplished pediatric neurologist or neurodevelopmental specialist who has a strong commitment to the advancement of translational and clinical research, a demonstrated record of research program management, and outstanding leadership skills. As a Program Director, you will conceive, develop, and oversee cutting edge research programs. Experience in translational neuroscience (therapy or diagnostic development) and clinical research or clinical practice in academic or for-profit institutions, is highly desirable. Applicants must have the capacity to interact effectively with national and international organizations and individuals who represent wide-ranging views and competing priorities. Additional criteria for selection will include: experience and skill in communicating scientific, programmatic, and policy information to lay and scientific audiences; skill in administrative and program management; and a strong publication record.

#### Applicants must have a medical degree.

For more information, the announcement can be obtained from our website at http://www.usajobs.gov, job announcement number: NINDS-10-406729-DH. U.S. citizenship is required. If you have questions about this job, please contact our HR Specialist at (301) 435-1642 or bandake@mail.nih.gov



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Baystate Children's Hospital is seeking a 5th Child Neurologist to join a wellestablished academic practice. You will enjoy opportunities to practice general pediatric neurology in a setting that has a 55-bed NICU, 10-bed PICU, and extensive clinical neurophysiology services, including digital ambulatory and video EEG and polysomnography. Candidate must be BC/BE and fellowship-trained in pediatric neurology. Additional training in epilepsy and EEG/ECOG monitoring is desirable. Interest in clinical research is preferred and protected time is available. This position includes a faculty appointment with Tufts University School of Medicine. The new Neurodiagnostics and Sleep Center at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield offers the latest state-of-the-art technology for polysomnography sleep studies (16 channel) and provides a full range of EEG/ambulatory EEG/video EEG services. With approximately 9,000 square feet and 14 testing rooms, it is the largest sleep center in Western Massachusetts.

Nestled in the beautiful Pioneer Valley of western Massachusetts, Baystate Health is the region's leading multi-institutional healthcare system. With easy access to historic Boston and cosmopolitan New York City, as well as the snowy slopes of Vermont and the sandy dunes of the Cape and Islands, our ideal location draws many talented healthcare professionals to the area. We invite you to explore career opportunities at Baystate Health, where our physicians enjoy many outstanding benefits:

### AD PLACEMENT

Text ads may be placed in the CNS Newsletter for:

- \$125 (max 4 column inches; \$25 per additional inch).
- Graphic ads begin at \$450 for 1/4 page (email/call for rates).
- Ads placed in newsletter may also be placed on CNS Website for \$75 (\$125 for non-members).

Deadline for placement in the Summer 2010 issue is August 10.

Email ads to Roger Larson at nationaloffice@childneurologysociety.org.

- Diverse cultural and recreational options in our charming New England communities
- Generous relocation packageEmployment assistance for spouses
- Employment assistance for spouses
  Exceptional compensation and benefits
- Career growth opportunities

#### Fine YOUR niche at Baystate Health.

#### Contact

Herb Gilmore, MD c/o Melissa Hale, Physician Careers Liaison Tel: 413/794-2571; Fax: 413/794-5059 E-mail: Melissa.Hale@baystatehealth.org www.ChooseBaystateHealth.org

AT FLOATING HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, we have a strong mission: to treat every child as if they were our own. That mission has been at the heart of our organization since it began as a hospital ship sailing Boston Harbor in 1894. Today, Floating Hospital's faculty and community partnerships are growing at an exciting pace; we are looking for exceptional physicians interested in changing pediatric medicine and continuing a tradition of great compassion and innovation in a supportive and collegial environment.

The Division of Neurology in the Department of Pediatrics at the Floating Hospital for Children is seeking dynamic Pediatric Neurologists. There is strong potential for growth of the Division due to new community hospital network affiliations, and this is an exciting time to develop a comprehensive Neurology program within our growing practice. In addition, we offer robust opportunities for clinical research.

The successful candidate will be BC/BE in Pediatric Neurology, possess outstanding clinical skills, a strong interest in education and clinical research, and must qualify for a faculty appointment in the Tufts University School of Medicine.

The Floating Hospital for Children is a 100 bed full-service Children's Hospital, and is part of Tufts Medical Center, the principal teaching hospital for Tufts University School of Medicine. The Floating has a well-deserved reputation for outstanding patient and family centered clinical care. We offer outstanding opportunities for clinical practice, teaching and research, in addition to competitive compensation and an excellent benefits package.

#### Contact

John R. Schreiber, MD Chairman, Department of Pediatrics Tufts University School of Medicine Chief Administrative Officer

The Floating Hospital for Children Tufts Medical Center

#### CNS PERSONNEL REGISTRY MISSOURI

Children's Mercy Hospital & Clinics, a 317-bed free standing children's hospital in Kansas City, Missouri, is recruiting a Chief of Child Neurology at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor. We are searching for those that desire to advance the field of neurology through research and collaboration, those who possess strong clinical and interpersonal skills, and who are attracted to a highly desirable community.

Candidates must be BC in Child Neurology and have strong clinical, teaching and leadership skills. Expertise in epilepsy and neurophysiology, neurogenetics, neurodevelopmental disorders and/or neuro-oncology is preferred with a desire to contribute to developing centers of excellence in these areas. Participation in both clinical and basic science research programs is encouraged.

The Section of Neurology currently consists of 10 child neurologists (8.5 FTEs), 12 skilled pediatric clinical nurses, 4 child neurology fellows, and an active neurophysiology laboratory including one board certified and one board eligible neurophysiologist. Three neuroradiologists are active in the clinical and educational programs within the section. Our staff rotate between busy outpatient and inpatient services that include regular teaching responsibilities for the pediatric residency and child neurology fellowship training programs.

Active collaborations are ongoing with subspecialty section members in **Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics** (Neurodevelopmental and Pediatric Movement Disorders), Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (Neuromuscular Diseases and Brachial Plexus Injuries), Genetics (Neurogenetic Disorders), and Hematology/Oncology (Pediatric Stroke). We are the regional referral center for patients to the Neonatal and Pediatric ICU's. The Epilepsy Surgery Initiative, a comprehensive epilepsy program, contains a two-fold focus: the diagnoses and treatment of different types of epilepsy and the non-pharmacological workup for intractable epilepsy patients. Additional programs of interest include an active Clinical Pharmacology Program and potential collaborations with active research in the sections of Pediatric Pulmonology (Sleep Disorders) and Critical Care (Traumatic Brain Injury).

Children's Mercy Hospital has 25 subspecialty training programs and a residency program in Pediatrics. We house an established child neurology fellowship program in partnership with the adult neurology residency program at the University of Kansas Medical Center and provide the core pediatrics rotations for both the University of Missouri-School of Medicine and the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences. Academic appointments are through the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine.

#### Contact

Charlene L. Plotycia Physician Recruiter Email: physicianjobs@cmh.edu Website: www.childrensmercy.org

### NEW JERSEY

A Children's Regional Hospital in a Metropolitan Philadelphia area of New Jersey is seeking 2 Child Neurologists to join their Faculty. Pediatric Epilepsy is a plus, about 40% of work is in Pediatric epilepsy. Call is 1:4. The Hospital is 5 minutes from downtown Philadelphia and within a 30-minute commute of a wide variety of neighborhoods. The position offers a very competitive salary and benefits package. Candidates should be interested in clinical care, teaching, and advancing their academic careers. The Children's Regional Hospital is the major Pediatric Tertiary Care Center for the Southern New Jersey region. The nearly 40 full-time faculty members of the Department of Pediatrics provide the complete range of pediatric general and subspecialty care, and teach within the Department's pediatric residency and medical student programs. The faculty also participates in the education and training of the adult neurology residents. The Division currently has 2.5 full-time neurologists, 2 APNs, and a part-time social worker. The Children's Regional Hospital also has approximately 40 additional pediatric specialists. Facilities include a 6-bed PICU, 12-bed step down unit, 20-bed Pediatric floor and 35-bed state-of-the art NICU. There is a monitored bed for EEG along with in-patient and outpatient EEG services. The Division has an active clinical research program. This is not a visa qualifed job.

Email a cv for consideration to: Mary Packard mpackard@practicewisemd.com Tel: 610/688-1612

# NEW YORK

NYU Medical Center and the Department of Neurology are seeking applicants for positions in the Division of Pediatric Neurology. Applicants should be boardeligible or board-certified in Pediatric Neurology with an interest in an academic career. Interest in or fellowship training in neurophysiology or neuromuscular disorders are preferred, but not required. The Division of Pediatric Neurology currently has 10 faculty members with both basic science and clinical expertise. Division members' special interest areas include: Behavioral Neurology, Epilepsy, Neuromuscular, Dysautonomia, Neonatal, Neuroimaging, and Neurooncology. The division has close ties with Pediatrics, Child Psychiatry and Neurosurgery. The Medical Center has plans for a Children' Hospital. The hospital houses competitive Pediatric and Adult Neurology Residency Programs and multiple subspecialty fellowship programs. Successful candidates will receive an academic appointment at the NYU School of Medicine with a rank commensurate with experience and qualifications.

### Interested individuals are invited to send a

curriculum vitae and letter of interest to: Ruth Nass, MD, Program Director Division of Child Neurology NYU Medical Center 577 First Ave, NY, NY 10016 Tel: 212/263-7753, Fax: 212/263-8662 Email: ruth.nass@nyumc.org NYU Medical Center is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

### NORTH CAROLINA

#### Academic Pediatric Neurology – Assistant, Associate or Professor

An exciting opportunity awaits you in the Division of Pediatric Neurology at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center! We are seeking to expand and are looking for outstanding BC/BE Pediatric Neurologists for appointment at the Assistant, Associate or Professor rank. Responsibilities would include inpatient and outpatient care, along with teaching medical students and residents. Our Pediatric Neurology multi-disciplinary team includes Pediatric Neurologists, Epileptologists, a Nurse Practitioner and other dedicated healthcare professionals. The division also supports a competitive Pediatric Neurology Residency program.

#### **Community Facts**

Winston-Salem, North Carolina, is home to Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. The city is nestled in the northwestern region of North Carolina, within easy driving distance to the beautiful mountains and the pristine beaches of North Carolina. We are very close to opportunities for mountaineering, rafting, kayaking, fishing and skiing. And Winston-Salem's numerous parks, greenways, recreation centers and golf courses provide ample opportunity to enjoy the outdoors right within the city. A thriving Arts District and new restaurants, bars, galleries and residential developments in Downtown Winston-Salem create a focal point for the area's cultural and social activities. Our low cost of living and high guality of life earned us recognition in Forbes magazine, which ranked Winston-Salem as the 18th best place in the United States for business and careers in 2009, ahead of Charlotte, Atlanta, Dallas, Orlando, and Washington, DC.

#### **Medical Center Facts**

The Medical Center and its component institutions, North Carolina Baptist Hospital, Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Brenner Children's Hospital and Wake Forest University Physicians, have been ranked as one of "America's Best Hospitals" by U.S. News & World Report since 1993. Brenner Children's Hospital provides a full-continuum of care with a pediatric emergency room, pediatric and neonatal intensive care units, infant, children, and adolescent inpatient units and outpatient clinics. The School of Medicine ranks among the top third among American medical schools in total funding from the National Institutes of Health.

"Knowledge makes all the difference" at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. We know that children are not adults and should not be treated that way. That is why the medical center has a dedicated team of more than 70 pediatric specialists who have spent their entire careers training to work exclusively for children. Our knowledge gives us the ability to turn a patient's fear into hope; the willingness to collaborate with interdisciplinary teams to identify the best solution; and the compassion to care.

#### Apply

We invite you to explore this exciting opportunity and learn why "knowledge makes all the difference" at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. Interested candidates who are eligible for licensure in North Carolina should send curriculum vitae and three letters of reference to:

#### Allison Brashear, MD

Professor and Chair, Department of Neurology Wake Forest University Health Sciences Winston Salem, NC 27157 Tel: 336/716-3545; Fax: 336/716-9489 Email: abrashea@wfubmc.edu

Dept: www.wfubmc.edu/Neurology/ About-the-Department-of-Neurology.htm

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#### CNS PERSONNEL REGISTRY OHIO

#### The Division of Pediatric Neurology at Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital seeks additional faculty Highlights include:

- The Division is an active academic program, devoted to service, training and research of children with the fullspectrum of neurological problems.
- Rainbow has been a recognized leader in Pediatrics for over 100 years and was ranked 5th Best Children's Hospital and 9th best program in Pediatric Neurology/Neurosurgery by U.S. News and World Report for 2008.
- We offer an outstanding academic environment and the opportunity to teach top-notch residents and fellows.
- Opportunities for clinical research and for academic advancement through Case Western University
- Cleveland offers an excellent mix of big-city amenities- including professional sports and cultural amenities- but with very affordable housing and excellent public schools.
- Partners for Livable Communities recently named Cleveland one of the top four "most livable cities" in the country.

#### Contact

Bill Selvey Email: bselvey@williamlaine.com Toll free: 877/231-8379

Bill can send you more information to review via e-mail

### PENNSYLVANIA

Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN), a 988-bed clinically integrated system, provides the region's most comprehensive care for children. We seek a Pediatric Neurologist to join an established practice and growing clinical program. Opportunity to apply to serve as lead physician for the region's only Pediatric Specialty Center is also available. Successful candidate can participate in the network's Neuroscience Center and with institutionally supported clinical research activities and medical education programs. Extensive list of pediatric subspecialty services. Great working atmosphere, competitive salary and excellent benefits. A beautiful suburban area with a cosmopolitan flair, this eastern Pennsylvania location offers excellent public schools, 10 colleges and universities, safe and

affordable neighborhoods, and a plethora of recreational and cultural offerings. Conveniently located 90 miles west of NYC and 60 miles north of Philadelphia.

Please email CV to: John Van Brakle, MD, Chair of Pediatrics, c/o Stephanie.Figueroa@LVHN.org or call 610/969-0217.

### WASHINGTON

#### PEDIATRIC NEUROLOGIST

The Department of Neurology at the University of Washington and Seattle Children's Hospital is seeking an outstanding pediatric neurologist to join an expanding program. The successful candidate will have strong clinical skills in general pediatric neurology and will be expected to develop a subspecialty clinical program. Applicants with clinical expertise in movement disorders, stroke, neonatal neurology, sleep medicine, neuro-oncology or behavioral/cognitive pediatric neurology are particularly encouraged to apply. This appointment will be at the Assistant Professor rank in the clinician-educator academic pathway, but candidates with exceptional qualifications may be considered for appointment at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor. Requirements include an MD or equivalent degree, eligibility for medical licensure in the State of Washington, and certification by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology in Neurology with Special Qualification in Child Neurology.

This position is open until filled. The University of Washington is building a culturally diverse faculty and strongly encourages applications from female and minority candidates. The University of Washington is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. All University of Washington faculty engage in teaching, research and service.

Applicants should send a letter of interest and their curriculum vitae to:

#### Contact

Sidney M. Gospe, Jr., MD, Ph.D. Herman and Faye Sarkowsky Endowed Chair Head, Division of Pediatric Neurology Seattle Children's Hospital 4800 Sand Point Way NE Neurology, B-5552 Seattle, WA 98105

#### **PEDIATRIC EPILEPTOLOGIST**

The Department of Neurology at the University of Washington and Seattle Children's Hospital is seeking an outstanding pediatric neurologist with expertise in epilepsy and clinical neurophysiology. The Division of Pediatric Neurology currently consists of 12 university faculty, with the multi-specialty epilepsy program consisting of three epileptologists, one epilepsy surgeon, two clinical neuropsychologists and multiple support staff including mid-level providers, nurse specialists, social workers and registered dieticians. The pediatric epilepsy program is a key component of the clinical, research and teaching programs of the Division of Pediatric Neurology and collaborates with the University of Washington Comprehensive Epilepsy Program. This appointment will be at the Assistant Professor rank in the clinician-educator academic pathway, but candidates with exceptional qualifications may be considered for appointment at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor. Requirements include an MD or equivalent degree, eligibility for medical licensure in the State of Washington, and certification (or eligibility for certification) by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology in Neurology with Special Qualification in Child Neurology. The candidate should also hold certification (or eligibility for certification) in clinical neurophysiology.

This position is open until filled. The University of Washington is building

a culturally diverse faculty and strongly encourages applications from female and minority candidates. The University of Washington is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. All University of Washington faculty engage in teaching, research and service.

Applicants should send a letter of interest and their curriculum vitae to: Sidney M. Gospe, Jr., MD, PhD Herman and Faye Sarkowsky Endowed Chair Head, Division of Pediatric Neurology Seattle Children's Hospital 4800 Sand Point Way NE Neurology, B-5552 Seattle, WA 98105

### PEDIATRIC NEUROLOGY Bureau of Medicine and Surgery Naval Medical Center PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA

This civilian position is located at Portsmouth's Naval Medical Center not far from Virginia's pristine ocean front, Colonial Williamsburg, North Carolina's Outer Banks, and Washington, DC!

#### What you will do!

- Provide outpatient care in a multi- disciplinary child neurology practice with a robust inpatient service to include pediatric and neonatal intensive care.
- Participate in independent and multi- disciplinary evaluations and comprehensive treatment plans.
- Abundant teaching opportunities are available thru the Center's Pediatric Residency Program containing 30+ residents.
- Obtain academic appointments through affiliated medical schools.

# Competitive salary and comprehensive benefits!

- Potential pay incentives.
- Malpractice coverage.
- Lifetime health insurance (Navy pays portion of your premium, you pay w/pre-taxed dollars) you can carry into retirement and cover your spouse.
- Health/dependent care flexible spending accounts.
- Retirement package w/401K-type investment plan, employer matching, and flexibility to retire between 55-57 w/10 years of employment.
- Life insurance (Navy pays portion of your premium).
- Long term care insurance.
- 13-26 paid vacation days, 13 paid sick days, 10 paid Federal holidays, and ability to carry unused vacation/sick days over year to year.
- Employee friendly flexibilities.

#### Requirements

- Accredited MD/DO.
- Current unrestricted Physician license from any state.
- At least 5 years of pediatric neurology training and/or experience (e.g., pediatrics residency and experience/fellowship in pediatric neurology).
- U.S. citizenship is required.
- BE/BC is desired.

#### **Apply Now!**

 E-mail your resume to medjobs@navy.mil, include 0135CNS in your subject line, and cut/paste your resume into your e-mail message.

#### OR

- Mail your resume to:
  - U.S. Department of Navy, HRSC-NE
  - 111 S. Independence Mall East
  - Attn: BUMED/1035CNS
  - Philadelphia, PA, 19106

If you have any questions, please contact Ken McLean at **215-408-5129**.



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### WEST VIRGINIA

The Department of Pediatrics at the Robert C. Byrd Health Sciences Center of West Virginia University, Charleston Division, is recruiting a pediatric neurologist for a non-tenure clinical track position. Expertise in pediatric neuromuscular disease or another subspecialty is desirable but not required. The successful candidate must be BC in Pediatrics and BC/BE in Pediatric Neurology with ability to obtain an active and unrestricted West Virginia Medical license, DEA and staff privileges at Charleston

Area Medical Center.

This position will focus on a clinical practice with experience in the teaching of residents and medical students. Interest in clinical research will be actively supported. The WVU Department of Pediatrics faculty also includes pediatric specialists in adolescent medicine, cardiology, endocrinology, gastroenterology, hematology/oncology, infectious disease, nephrology, pulmonology and surgery. Academic rank and salary will be commensurate with experience. Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is identified.

Patients are admitted to Women and Children's Hospital, a regional tertiary center for children, with referrals from twenty surrounding counties. Women and Children's Hospital includes a 30-bed inpatient pediatric unit, a 6-bed PICU with 4 additional transitional care beds staffed by board certified pediatric intensivists, and a Level III 26-Bed NICU staffed 24/7 by in-house board certified neonatologists.

Benefits to you include a competitive salary and a signing bonus. You and your family will have a generous benefits package including health, dental, retirement, and paid malpractice coverage.

The community is vibrant and offers an excellent family environment, with unsurpassed recreational activities including: five star rated restaurants, private country clubs, cultural performances, golfing, tennis, white water rafting, skiing, kayaking, backpacking, hiking, minor league baseball, and numerous events and festivals throughout the year. Excellent public and private school options for children.

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Women and minorities are strongly encouraged to apply

# FELLOWSHIPS

### MASSACHUSETTS

The Cerebrovascular Disorders (CVD) and Stroke Program in the Department of Neurology, Children's Hospital Boston, invites applications from candidates interested in dedicated training in pediatric stroke and cerebrovascular disorders. Our program brings together expertise related to cerebrovascular disease and stroke in children from Child Neurology, Neurosurgery, Hematology, Neuroradiology, Invasive Neuroradiology, Emergency Medicine and Physical/Occupational Therapies. Our program comprises a year of clinical training in pediatric stroke and cerebrovascular disorders with an option for an additional year organized around a clinical research project with limited continuing clinical responsibility. The selected candidate will have appointments as a Clinical Fellow in Neurology at Children's Hospital Boston and Harvard Medical School.

The CVD and Stroke Fellow sees all consults and in-patient admissions related to stroke at Children's Hospital Boston, a 390 bed independent Children's Hospital. In addition, the CVD and Stroke service provides consultation for infants and children with stroke and stroke-related diagnoses in the medical-surgical, cardiac and neonatal intensive care units at Children's Hospital Boston and the neonatal intensive care units at the adjacent Brigham and Women's Hospital and Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. All are staffed by the attending physician for the CVD and Stroke Service. The Fellow will also participate in weekly Cerebrovascular Disorders and Stroke Outpatient clinics. Two of these clinics each month bring together Neurology and Hematology in multidisciplinary outpatient sessions devoted to care of pediatric stroke patients. As a result of our close and collaborative relationship with the Division of Hematology at Children's Hospital Boston there is ample opportunity to learn important aspects of both coagulation disorders and anticoagulation therapy related to stroke in children. In addition. the Fellow will participate in night call for urgent matters related to the evaluation and care of stroke patients. Call is taken from home but return to the hospital may be necessary. The Pediatric CVD and Stroke Fellow spends three months in the Neurointensive Care Unit and Stroke Consult services in the adult stroke program at Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital in order to gain broader experience in stroke and neurointensive care related to stroke. The successful candidate for the Cerebrovascular Disorders and Stroke Fellowship program

should be fully trained in Child Neurology by the time s/he begins the program. Competence in English is required.

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### CNS PERSONNEL REGISTRY TEXAS

The year focuses on clinical evaluation and management of children with neuromuscular disease, ages 0-18 years. Three to 4 pediatric neuromuscular clinics a week allow the trainee to see up to 160 outpatients each month. Electrodiagnostic sessions each week average 3 pediatric patients. The trainee will learn how to interpret histochemical and immunohistochemical analyses of muscle and nerve tissue. Clinics are multi disciplinary so the trainee gains experience in managing and treating the complications of weakness, such as restrictive lung disease, malnutrition, and mobility needs.

Weekly conferences shared with an active adult neuromuscular service include muscle and nerve biopsy conference, weekly journal club, neurophysiology lecture series, and EMG review. There is an opportunity to present cases and clinical research at an annual neuromuscular symposium held at Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, the Carrell-Krusen Neuromuscular Symposium. There is an opportunity to rotate on the adult neuromuscular service. The neuromuscular faculty consists of five adult and one pediatric neurologist.

One position is available each year. The salary is commensurate with PGY-6.

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