Center for Cleft and Craniofacial Care at Phoenix Children’s

Interdisciplinary team-centered care for infants, children and adults

Our providers understand and treat the complexities associated with cleft and craniofacial conditions and are aware of the unique needs of each patient. From physical appearance to emotional wellbeing, our team ensures patients and families receive the comprehensive support they need.

By the Numbers

- Approximately 200 infants are born in Arizona every year with a cleft or craniofacial condition
- More than 1,000 patients are evaluated and cared for every year
- More than 10,000 clinic visits annually

One of the highest-volume craniofacial surgery centers in the U.S.

Medical, surgical, dental, and therapeutic specialists provide comprehensive care

We train surgery, orthodontic, and speech residents/students, present nationally and internationally, and are published in peer-reviewed journals.

A Team of Experts

Our highly trained team includes pediatric craniofacial plastic surgery, craniofacial orthodontics, clinical genetics, neurosurgery, speech-language pathology, social work, and behavioral health. It offers the widest available range of treatments for cleft and craniofacial conditions. To get the best outcome, every cleft and craniofacial condition requires diagnosis, treatment and follow-up care. We work closely with each patient to ensure excellence from birth into adulthood.

Research and Education

Research and education are central to our work of improving the lives of children with cleft and craniofacial conditions. Clinical outcomes research is integral to our ability to identify novel treatments and provide innovative care. We lead several National Institutes of Health-funded research studies and our clinicians are involved in nearly a dozen collaborations, sharing best practices and research with colleagues at institutions worldwide.

Contact Us

Clinical experts at Phoenix Children’s Center for Cleft and Craniofacial Care regularly speak on a variety of cleft and craniofacial disorders that impact infants, children, adults and families. To request an interview or speaker, please contact mediarelations@phoenixchildrens.com.

Conditions we treat

Cleft and craniofacial differences include conditions of the head and face. Common conditions that are referred include:

- Cleft lip and/or palate
- Craniosynostosis (single suture and syndromic)
  - Apert syndrome
  - Crouzon syndrome
  - Pfeiffer syndrome
  - Saethre-Chotzen syndrome
- Deformational plagiocephaly
- 22q11.2 Deletion syndrome
- Fibrous dysplasia
- Hemifacial microsomia
  - Goldenhar syndrome
- Parry-Romberg syndrome
- Treacher-Collins syndrome
- Stickler syndrome
- Congenital ear anomalies (Microtia)
- Craniofacial trauma