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*Phoenix Children's Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center  
Medical Director*



David M. Notrica, MD, is the Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center Medical Director for Phoenix Children's Hospital. Notrica developed Arizona's only American College of Surgeons (ACS) - verified Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center – one of only 35 across the nation. As current Trauma Medical Director, Notrica is responsible for the implementation and direction of the Trauma Program, and an extensive Pediatric Injury Prevention Program. He serves as the Chair of the Trauma Morbidity and Mortality Conference and Co-Chair of the Trauma Performance Improvement and Patient Safety Committee.

Notrica received his M.D. from Emory University School of Medicine and completed general surgery training at Emory University Affiliated Hospitals in Atlanta, GA. He completed his fellowship in pediatric surgery at Texas Children's Hospital, Houston.

Prior to 2008, Arizona didn't have a Pediatric Trauma Center. After serving as President of the Medical Staff and Chief of Surgery at Phoenix Children's, Notrica was instrumental in the creation and implementation of the Phoenix Children's Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center. In its first year (2008), the Center saw 941 trauma patients. That has increased to more than 2,500 trauma patients annually, establishing it as one of the busiest pediatric trauma centers in the United States. The Center has been instrumental in lowering pediatric mortality in Arizona.

Notrica is involved extensively in the community, serving as pediatric representative for the Arizona State Trauma Advisory Board, a former member of the Feeding Matters Advisory Board, President of the Arizona Trauma Association, President of the Children's Rehabilitative Services Independent Physicians Association, Chair of the Southwest Trauma and Acute Care Symposium, as well as Western Pediatric Trauma Conference, and Course Director for the upcoming Advanced Pectus Course.

Notrica is a member of multiple academic societies including the American Pediatric Surgical Association, the American Academy of Pediatrics, American College of Surgeons and the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma, He was listed in the top one percent of pediatric surgeons by U.S. News and World Reports.

**About Phoenix Children's Hospital**

Phoenix Children's Hospital is Arizona's only children's hospital recognized by U.S. News & World Report's Best Children's Hospitals with rankings in all ten specialties. Phoenix Children's provides world-class inpatient, outpatient, trauma, emergency and urgent care to children and families in Arizona and throughout the Southwest. As one of the largest children's hospitals in the country, Phoenix Children's provides care across more than 75 pediatric specialties. The Hospital is poised for continued growth in quality patient care, research and medical education. For more information about the hospital, visit <http://www.phoenixchildrens.org>.