



ONLINE CONNECTION

April 2018

Pediatric Rehabilitation Center Opens at Mercy Gilbert

We're excited to announce the grand opening of our new state-of-the-art Outpatient Pediatric Rehabilitation Center on the campus of Mercy Gilbert Medical Center. We'll be providing physical therapy, occupational therapy, feeding therapy and speech and language therapy to families in the Southeast Valley.



[Take a Tour](#)



CAR-T Cellular Therapy Receives FDA Approval

Phoenix Children's is the only FDA-approved and certified institution in the state of Arizona, and the surrounding states of New Mexico and Nevada, to offer CAR-T Cellular Therapy for treatment of relapsed or refractory leukemia.

[Learn More](#)

A New Heart Gives Jameson and His Parents a New Lease On Life

Born in June 2016 with a hypoplastic left heart syndrome (HLHS), Jameson spent 14 of his first 22 months at Phoenix Children's Hospital. After receiving a heart transplant in early 2017, he is finally back home with his sibling and parents, happy and healthy.



[Read Jameson's Story](#)



Phoenix Children's Now Offers ABMS MOC Part 4 Credit

As of February 1, 2018, PCH has been approved as an ABMS Multi-Specialty Portfolio Approval Program. As a Portfolio Sponsor, PCH is now granted authority to approve internal QI projects for MOC Part 4 credit for any subspecialty physicians who are board certified by an ABMS specialty (not just ABP).

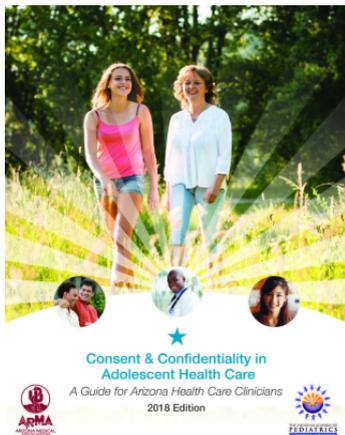
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Congratulations to the 2018 Phoenix Magazine Top Doctors

Every year, Phoenix Magazine honors the Valley's Top Doctors based on a survey of healthcare professionals throughout the Valley. Congratulations to all of the physicians on Phoenix Children's Medical Staff who made the 2018 Top Doctors list!



[See Top Docs](#)



AMA Releases Updated Consent & Confidentiality in Adolescent Healthcare Guide

Providing quality and developmentally appropriate care to adolescents requires clinicians to have a working understanding of consent and confidentiality protections for this patient population. This is especially important when caring for youth that require sensitive clinical services such as contraception and diagnosis and treatment of sexually transmitted infections which may be difficult for them to discuss with their parents and guardians. The Arizona American Medical Association (ArMA) and American Academy of Pediatrics (Az-AAP) recently released its updated Consent & Confidentiality in Adolescent Healthcare: A Guide for Arizona Health Care Clinicians to provide guidance on this topic.

[Get the Guide](#)

Thomas Sitzman, MD Taking Appointments at Mercy Gilbert Specialty Care

Plastic Surgeon, [Thomas J. Sitzman, MD](#), is now taking appointments the first Tuesday of each month at [Mercy Gilbert Specialty Care](#). Schedule an appointment by calling 602-933-KIDS (5437).





Happy Retirement to Drs. Pachtman and Robertson

Michael Pachtman, MD and Karen Robertson, MD, both with the Division of Ophthalmology, will be retiring in April and May respectively. This news should not affect any current appointments scheduled with Dr. Pachtman in the month of April or Dr.

Robertson in the month of April or May.

[Get Scheduling Details](#)

Visitor Restrictions Have Been Lifted

As a result of a decrease in respiratory viruses circulating in the community, visitor restrictions have been lifted. As of April 6, children under the age of 12 years of age are again allowed to visit, but we still ask families to take precautions.



[See Visitor Precautions](#)

Upcoming Events



Specialized Care of the Young Athlete

Thursday, May 10

Hear from Phoenix Children's sports medicine providers about current concepts in sports medicine in relation to young athletes. CME hours offered.

[Register Online](#)



22q Deletion Syndrome: Transition to Success

Saturday, May 19

This year's program will focus on health issues and medical care for teens and adults with 22q11.2 deletion syndrome, as well as disability services and medicolegal support for families.

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About Online Connection

Online Connection is Phoenix Children's monthly e-newsletter for community providers throughout Arizona and the Southwest. Each issue provides the most up-to-date information related to Phoenix Children's enterprise-wide programs, referral information, and useful tools and tips for providers to share with their patients and families. Feedback and suggestions for future issues are always welcome. Please feel free to contact the editorial team with ideas.

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