

**December 10, 2019**



**School of Medicine**  
Department of Pediatrics

## **LSU Pediatrics Tuesday Tidbits**

Welcome to the Department of Pediatrics' weekly email blast designed to deliver important department information straight to your inbox.

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### **LSU Pediatrics Announcements**

#### **New Members Elected to the the Society for Pediatric Research**



Congratulations to Drs. Isa Ashoor and Amanda Duamas upon their election to the Society for Pediatric Research (SPR).

The mission of the Society for Pediatric Research is to create a network of multidisciplinary researchers to improve child health. SPR looks forward to welcoming Drs. Ashoor and Dumas to the SPR Scientific Presidential Plenary on May 4<sup>th</sup> at the upcoming PAS 2020 Meeting (April 29-May 6), a key venue for SPR member networking and information sharing.

**NICHD Award to Develop Diagnostic  
Test for Necrotizing Enterocolitis in Premie Babies**

Congratulations to Dr. Brian Barkemeyer, Dr. Duna Penn and Dr. Anne Tufton who are part of a research team that was recently awarded an NIH Grant. The Eunice Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development of the National Institutes of Health has awarded a grant for a collaborative arrangement between Chosen Diagnostics and LSU Health. Rebecca Buckley, PhD will lead the research team on the project titled “Noninvasive biomarkers for gastrointestinal disease in preterm infants”. ([information](#))

## Dr. Ryan Pasternak and Dr. Michael Brumund Went Over the Edge for Special Olympics



Dr. Michael Brumund (left) and Dr. Ryan Pasternak (right) rappelling down Benson Tower.



Ryan, Hayden and Merisa Pasternak attending Geaux Over the Edge & Health Fest.

Dr. Ryan Pasternak and Dr. Michael Brumund took part in the Special Olympics' Geaux Over the Edge event last week by rappelling down Benson Tower. Participants were asked to step into the shoes of Special Olympics athletes by facing their fears and try something that doesn't come easy. It takes the same amount of courage to go “over the edge” as it does for individuals with intellectual disabilities to participate in sports.

## RESIDENCY NEWS

Program Director Dr. Chelsey Sandlin has several exciting announcements to share about the Residency Program. The 2019 LSU Pediatric Residency Graduates had a 100% pass rate on their Pediatrics Board exams!

Along with that great piece of news, the program found out that several senior

residents matched into fellowships last week. The rest of the fellowship applicants will find out where they match on December 18th.

1. Jamie Yeager – LSU Allergy/Immunology
2. Monica Hajirawala – Tulane Allergy/Immunology
3. Andrew McKernan – Tulane Allergy/Immunology
4. Ryley McPeters – Tulane Adult Cardiology

The Residency Program celebrated at their annual Holiday Party last weekend. Thanks to Dr. Jay Hescocock and family for hosting and to Santa (Mike Evers) and his Elf (Kelly Angelle). Click [here](#) for more party pics.

### First-year Residents



### Second-year Residents



**Third-year Residents**



**Chief Residents (and Baby Arya!)**



**Faculty, Staff and Chairman**



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## **AAP ADVOCACY TRAINING GRANTS**

Are you a resident or faculty interested in strengthening your advocacy skills? Apply for an Advocacy Training Grant!

The AAP Community Pediatrics Training Initiative will support 4 pediatric faculty-resident pairs to attend the 2020 AAP Legislative Conference on April 5-7, 2020.

Following the conference, grantees will be required to partner with their chapters

to implement an educational project to strengthen the advocacy skills of others in their program and enhance their residency program's advocacy training/curriculum.

The grant covers conference registration, airfare, and hotel, and provides the chapter with \$1000 maximum to support the project.

[View the guidelines and application.](#)

**Applications are due Thursday, December 19, 2019 (Midnight ET).**

Contact Jeanine Donnelly at [jdonnelly@aap.org](mailto:jdonnelly@aap.org) with any questions or for application assistance.

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**Mark your calendars for the annual Department Holiday Party!  
And be sure to take part in the Healthy Tigers' Book Drive!**

# Celebrate *the holiday season!*

## LSU DEPARTMENT OF PEDIATRICS HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

FRIDAY, December 20, 2019, 12:00 PM, CHILDREN'S  
HOSPITAL CONFERENCE CENTER

You are encouraged to bring a new or gently used  
children's book to support the LSU Health Tiger  
Reading Initiative.

*Lunch and Holiday treats will be served*





*Share the gift of  
reading this Christmas.*

**LSU HEALTHY TIGERS INITIATIVE PRESENTS**

# Holiday Book Drive 2019

DONATE BOOKS FOR AGES 6 MONTHS -  
ADOLESCENTS. BOARD BOOKS PREFERRED.  
MONETARY DONATIONS MAY ALSO BE MADE  
IN PERSON OR BY VENMO TO @NIKITAXLAL.

## **WHERE**

Drop off boxes located in the residents' lounge, doctors' lounge, or  
administrative offices on State Street

## **WHEN**

December 2nd, 2019-January 3rd, 2020

Books will go Kids First TigerCare Clinic  
For inquiries, email [nlalch@lsuhsc.edu](mailto:nlalch@lsuhsc.edu)



Advocacy Opportunity - Read to your patients ([information](#))

The Pediatrics Residency program is conducting interviews this week. Here are the [applicants](#) visiting this Friday.

Download the new Department Composites for the new academic year! ([Faculty](#), [Fellows](#), [Residents](#)).

CSRB and MEB Mitigation Project - [schedule](#) of work for December - January

Join the Medical Student Research Committee ([information](#))

Physician-Scientist Training Program ([information](#))

School of Medicine Research Cafe ([information](#))

New Pre-Review for Grant Proposals service offered by LSU ([information](#))

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## FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

*New video monthly*

December Video: *Feedback Tips*

Improve the way you give feedback with tips from this short video (less than 4 minutes).

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SYXgMobMU8U>

If you are interested in other forms of Faculty Development, visit these websites:

- [LSU Pediatrics Faculty Development Page](#)
- [LSUHSC GME Medical Education Development Site](#)

For questions or comments regarding Faculty Development,  
please contact [Amy Creel](#).

## CHNOLA Announcements

Important Updates from the Children's Hospital Construction Project. Take a look. ([report](#))

Monthly Construction Update Town Hall Meetings ([schedule](#))

EPIC Updates ([information](#)) ([tipsheet](#))

Latest edition of CHNOLA Employee E-News ([link](#))

## Upcoming Events

### Grand Rounds

*James W.L. Mann, MD Memorial Lecture*

**“Ankyloglossia and Other Frenula, What is the Evidence?”**

By:

**Anna Meyer, MD, FAAP, FACS**

**Associate Professor of Clinical Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery**

**School of Medicine**

**University of California, San Francisco**



# Wednesday, December 11, 2019

Children's Hospital State Street Conference Center

*Special Message from the CHNOLA CME Office:*

Pediatric Grand Rounds GoToMeeting Instructions

To better manage the GoToMeeting component of Pediatric Grand Rounds, each week there will be a unique link to the presentation. The link will be located at the bottom of the flyer email sent out on Monday morning.

You will no longer need to register with the CME Department at Children's to receive credit, but you will have to sign in using your full name as a roster will be obtained from the log in record. If any group is planning to watch and would like CME credit for attendees, please contact Catherine Mooney at Children's Hospital for instructions. She can be reached at 504-896-9264 or [catherine.mooney@lcmchealth.org](mailto:catherine.mooney@lcmchealth.org).

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**12/7-12/10** - AAMC Mid-Career Women Faculty Leadership Development Seminar

**12/12** - 2019 Physician Campaign's Reveillon Dinner @ Jack Rose @ 6:30pm - Dr. Bonnie Desselle and Dr. Alexis Morvant are co-chairing the event which hopes to fund 12 new resident call rooms. ([information](#))

**12/14** - Saturday CME Pediatric Series: Contemporary Topics in Pediatrics ([information](#)) ([registration](#))

**12/18** - LSUHSC Alcohol & Drug Abuse Center of Excellence 12th Scientific Retreat ([information](#))

**JANUARY 2020** - The Leadership Series - Session Two: Communication course has been moved from December 2019 to January 2020.

*Register for the NEW January 2020 Communication session dates [HERE!](#)*

**1/22/20** - Research Cafe 3:00 PM ([information](#))

## Department Wellness

**Bootcamp Class:** Children's is offering FREE bootcamp classes on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30-6:30 p.m. outside the Conference Center. Class is open to all Children's employees and members of the medical staff. This one-hour interval training bootcamp is for all skill levels. No experience is necessary. You will gain confidence in your abilities and increase your capacities for stamina, strength, flexibility, and balance. Please bring a water bottle with you to class.

**Yoga at CHNOLA** - yoga classes will take place on the following Wednesdays from 5:30pm - 6:30pm in the State Street Conference Room: 10/9, 10/16, 10/30 and 11/6, 11/13 and 11/20.

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## Department Anniversaries

The following employees celebrate another year with the department this month.  
Thank you for your continued service to LSU Pediatrics!

Kelly Gajewski, 10 years  
Raymond Watts, 4 years  
Jason Turner, 2 years

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Looking for old newsletters?  
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