Division Spotlight: Child Abuse

One of the newest pediatric specialties, this division was established in 2013. Child Abuse Pediatricians assist with the diagnosis and care of children with suspected abuse and neglect. Dr. Suzanne Haney is available for consultations to Children's and Nebraska Medicine for inpatient and emergency patients and will assist with outpatient cases.

Faculty & Staff

Suzanne Haney, M.D., FAAP
Assistant Professor

Suzanne B. Haney, M.D., FAAP
Assistant Professor

Health Care Staff

- Donna Beane, RN; 402-955-6250
- Jenna Schaecher, LCSW; 402-955-4556

Child Abuse Programs

Children's Advocacy Team:
Established over 15 years ago, the CAT consists of members from all areas of the Children's. We meet on a weekly basis to discuss cases of abuse and neglect. We educate staff members and investigators and identify system issues. Over the past 6 years, we have provided training in the form of an annual conference. Starting last year, we joined Project

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Upcoming Events

Dec 12 | 6:00 PM
Pediatrics Holiday Party
Hot Shops, 1301 Nicholas Street, Omaha

Dec 15 | 12:00 PM
Review of Pediatric Scholarship Session
University Tower 5151

Journal Club
Dec 10 | 12:00 PM
T. Loden
University Tower 7412

Patient Mgmt Conf.
Dec 2 | 8:00 AM
N. Goodrich
University Tower 7412

Dec 9 | 8:00 AM
M. England
University Tower 7412

Dec 16 | 8:00 AM
L. Powers
University Tower 7412

Grand Rounds
A complete schedule for the month is located at www.unmc.edu/Pediatrics
Harmony and the US Attorney’s office to make it a three-day, regional, multidisciplinary training: Speaking of Children Luncheon & Conference.

Project Harmony:
Dr. Haney is the medical director at Project Harmony. Project Harmony is a non-profit Children's Advocacy Center located at 120th and Q. Children are brought to Project Harmony with suspected sexual and physical abuse for forensic interviews, family advocacy and medical examinations. In addition, Project Harmony provides foster care examinations for children as they enter the foster care system. Project Harmony has two full time mid-level providers who care for patients.

Please contact Project Harmony to refer cases of suspected sexual abuse: 402-595-1326.

Children's Advocacy Clinic

Starting last year, the Children's Advocacy Clinic is housed on the 4th floor of the SPC in the GI module. The clinic operates two half-days per week (Thursday morning and Friday afternoon) for failure to thrive, neglect and physical abuse. We have the advantage of using two of the Gastroenterology clinic dieticians as well as our clinic staff to assist us in providing the best care for these patients.

Please contact Donna Beane for scheduling at 402-955-6250.

Save the Date: Pediatrics Holiday Party

The UNMC Department of Pediatrics and Children's Hospital & Medical Center invite you to attend on

December 12, 2014
6:00-10:00 PM

Hot Shops
1301 Nicholas Street

Changes in COM Dean's Office

The landscape of medical education is undergoing a significant paradigm shift.

In an effort to meet these needs and enhance medical student education, the Office of Medical Education (OME) has been formed. The OME merged existing services, bringing the Educational Support Office (ESO) and the Curriculum and Educational Research Office (CERO) under one umbrella.

Gerald Moore, M.D., senior associate dean for academic affairs, said Gary Beck, Ph.D. (Assistant Professor of Pediatrics), will serve as director of OME and Kathryn Dybdall, M.A., M.S. (Adjunct Assistant Professor of Pediatrics) will serve as associate director.
"Their charge is to ensure the OME continues to meet medical education needs with the highest level of service," Dr. Moore said. "We look at this change as an evolutionary process. Our primary goal is to ensure the educational needs of the faculty and students are being met. This reorganization will help us to streamline services."

With the recent emphasis on e-learning, Dybdall will work with faculty to integrate technology into courses in an effort to complement student learning.

The OME will continue to provide comprehensive core support, assessment and evaluation, and educational research, Dr. Moore said. Ron Bechdolt and Donna Czamecki will continue to provide administrative support to the first- and second-year medical student cores.

Dr. Moore said recommendations from the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) site visit earlier this year made it clear that there was a need for an individual to track and report data essential for continued accreditation of the medical school.

To meet this need, Renee Alley (Swigart) has been hired in a newly created position of LCME coordinator.

In the Office of Student Affairs and Admissions, Sue Pope will be joined by her new assistant, Lisa Paquette. They will continue to provide scheduling and enrollment support for the third- and fourth-year students. Dr. Moore said they will be searching for a staff member to replace the computer-based testing coordinator (a position formerly held by Paquette).

During this search process, Sarah McBrien will oversee the computer-based testing and evaluation process and will work to train identified staff members to assist in this process. McBrien also will work with Dr. Beck on enhancing the evaluation and assessment component, as well as other important educational research projects.