

Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery Fellowship

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Fellowship Director's **WELCOME**



Dear future colleague,

Congratulations on choosing the best orthopedic subspecialty, one that will undoubtedly engage and inspire for your entire career! Many would aptly describe pediatric orthopedic surgery as a calling rather than a career. You will certainly find that spirit embodied in our faculty at the Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery Fellowship at Shriners Children's Northern California and UC Davis Children's Hospital, ranked #1 in Northern California and top 20 in the nation for Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery.



Our diverse group of faculty surgeons is committed to education, engaged in providing life-long mentorship and dedicated to improving musculoskeletal care for all children. The fellowship will provide you with both the breadth and depth of this amazing field and give you the tools to make critical surgical decisions for complex clinical situations. Each week, you'll have five hours of dedicated pediatric orthopedic education through conferences, journal clubs and lectures. A well-staffed clinical research division with a highly productive motion analysis center will give you resources to do meaningful research. Most importantly, you'll have the flexibility to seek out your educational path as the year progresses through a fluid rotation schedule and ample elective time. We hope to welcome you to our fellowship program!

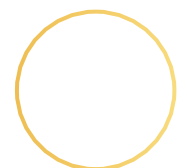
Sincerely,

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The Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery Fellowship at Shriners Children's™ Northern California and UC Davis Children's Hospital offers an in-depth, hands-on exposure to all aspects of pediatric orthopedics across both high-volume centers. A flexible schedule allows for dividing time between complex elective pediatric orthopedics and spine surgery at Shriners Children's Northern California, and elective and urgent pediatric orthopedics at UC Davis Children's Hospital and its level I Trauma Center.

Fellows gain expertise in:

- General pediatric orthopedics
- Pediatric and young adult sports
- Young adult hip preservation
- Trauma and fractures
- Early onset, congenital and adolescent spinal deformity
- Cerebral palsy and gait analysis
- Spina bifida and neuromuscular orthopedics
- Limb deficiency and prosthetics
- Upper extremity and brachial plexus birth palsy

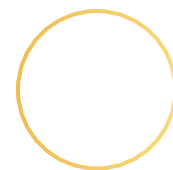
Fellows have graduated responsibility during the year, gaining independence in the clinic and the operating room. Fellows receive in-depth instruction in the Motion Analysis Lab at Shriners Children's Northern California and participate in weekly didactic conferences. The fellows participate in the education of the four orthopedic surgery residents, and also contribute to active clinical and basic science research projects.

FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery Fellowship is 12 months in duration, beginning August 1 and ending July 31 the following year. One fellow per year will be accepted through the Pediatric Orthopedic Fellowship Match. Compensation is commensurate with a PGY-6 salary with excellent benefits. Upon acceptance to the fellowship through the SF Match, our fellowship coordinator will guide future fellows through the process of obtaining an unrestricted California medical license and a California Fluoroscopy Supervisor and Operator Permit prior to the start of the fellowship year.



The fellowship program will impart life-long enthusiasm for learning, practicing, and teaching pediatric orthopedics.



Educational Conferences

The Shriners Children's Northern California and UC Davis Children's Hospital Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery Fellowship offers an in-depth, hands-on exposure to all aspects of pediatric orthopedics.

EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCES INCLUDE:

- **Pre-operative Pediatric Orthopedic Conference** (1 hour, Weekly): The fellow participates in preparation and presentation of pediatric orthopedic cases and actively discusses indications and surgical strategy with all faculty present. Residents and the fellow divide responsibility for discussing cases and discussion of cases is at a level appropriate for fellowship training.
- **Post-operative Pediatric Orthopedic Conference** (1 hour, Weekly): All pediatric orthopedic surgical cases of the week are presented by the fellow and residents.
- **Motion Lab Interpretations** (2 hours, Weekly): Fellows are encouraged to attend interpretations of gait analysis. The Motion Analysis Center performs six full 3D gait analysis studies per week and the cases are reviewed with pediatric orthopedic surgeons weekly.
- **Pediatric Core Curriculum Lectures** (1 hour, Twice Weekly): Faculty present in-depth lectures on pediatric orthopedic topics on a rotating schedule.
- **Spine Preoperative and Postoperative Conference** (1 hour, Twice Monthly): All pediatric spinal deformity cases are discussed at this conference by pediatric Orthopedic and spine surgery faculty, fellows and residents, with discussion at a level appropriate for fellowship training.
- **Morbidity and Mortality Conference** (1 hour, Monthly): All cases are presented by faculty of all surgical subspecialties, with fellows participating in the discussion.
- **Faculty Journal Club** (1 hour, Monthly): The faculty will assign current articles for presentation by the fellow and residents.
- **Fellow Journal Club** (1 hour, Monthly): The fellow chooses a topic for discussion with guidance from faculty, chooses and assigns articles for presentation and leads the discussion of each article.
- **Orthopedic Surgery Grand Rounds** (1 hour, Pediatric Topics Monthly): Local and invited faculty present on topics relevant to pediatric orthopedic fellows and faculty. Fellows present a topic of their choosing (1 hour) once during their fellowship.



R. Kirklin Ashley Lectureship

The annual R. Kirklin Ashley Lectureship honors the legacy of Dr. Ashley, former Shriners Children's Chief of Staff and eminent pediatric orthopaedic surgeon, through a day of lectures, research presentations, and case discussions in the spring of the fellowship year. The 2023 R. Kirklin Ashley Lecturer was Christopher Iobst, MD from Nationwide Children's Hospital.



PREVIOUS R. KIRKLIN ASHLEY LECTURERS

1993 – Howard Steel, M.D.

1994 – John Hall, M.D.

1995 – William Donaldson, M.D.

1996 – Newton C. McCollough, M.D.

1997 – John Roberts, M.D.

2001 – Peter R. Carter, M.D. &
Lori A. Karol, M.D.

2002 – Richard J. Haynes, M.D.

2010 – Jon R. Davids, M.D.

2012 – Matthew Dobbs, M.D.

2013 – Daniel J. Sucato, M.D.

2014 – Peter M. Stevens, M.D.

2015 – James R. Kasser, M.D.

2016 – James O. Sanders, M.D.

2017 – Tony Herring, M.D.

2018 – William G. Mackenzie, M.D.

2019 – Peter Waters, M.D.

2022 – Lyle J. Micheli, M.D.



PediOrtho WEST Resident Education Course

The annual Pediatric Orthopaedic Western Educational & Surgical Techniques (PediOrtho WEST) course is a hands-on and interactive educational experience for residents from 19 programs in the western United States. The program began in 2018 and has inspired many residents to consider a career in pediatric orthopaedics! Current and former fellows work alongside faculty from five regional pediatric orthopaedic surgery programs to provide interactive case-based learning and skills labs.



“I loved the flipped classroom design. Those lectures are pure gold. I loved how comprehensive the course felt. We touched on something from every corner of the peds world!”

— Olivia Grothaus
PGY-3 Orthopaedic Surgery Resident



| Fellowship Alumni

2009 - 2010

Teresa Ferguson

Kaiser Permanente Medical Center
Roseville, California

2010 - 2011

Lisa Maskill

Helen DeVos Children's
Grand Rapids, Michigan

2011 - 2012

Margaret Grisell

Kaiser Permanente Medical Center
Modesto, California

2012 - 2013

Thu-Ba Leba

Valley Children's Hospital
Madera County, California

2013 - 2014

Jessica McMichael

Children's Hospital Orange County
Orange, California

Emily Andrisevic

Phoenix Children's Hospital
Phoenix, Arizona

2014 - 2015

Jill Friebele

Valley Children's Hospital
Madera County, California

2015 - 2016

Glenn Reinhart

Advocate Health Care
Chicago, Illinois

Sean Tabaie

Children's National Medical Center
Washington, D.C.

2016 - 2017

Aaron Boyles

Children's Hospital Colorado
Colorado Springs, Colorado

2017 - 2018

Matthew Brown

Banner Health
Phoenix, Arizona

2019 - 2020

Vanna Rocchi

Naval Medical Center Portsmouth
Portsmouth, Virginia

2020 - 2021

Abby Howenstein

University Medical Center
Las Vegas, Nevada

2021-2022

Jennah Mann

Children's Hospital Los Angeles
Los Angeles, California

2022-2023

Michael Firtha

Eastern Carolina University Health
Greenville, North Carolina



"I have stayed in touch with everyone and continue to ask for their opinions on difficult cases. This fellowship was also a good balance of mentorship and independence."

— Jill Fribele, 2014-2015 Fellow

"The fellowship gave me the best pediatric experience while meshing well with my previous fellowship in sports. I wanted the fellowship to be spent experiencing the breadth and depth of pediatric orthopedics. The Peds Ortho Fellowship allowed me to step in and spool up a practice almost immediately."

— Matt Brown, 2017-2018 Fellow



"I was initially attracted to the program because of the combination of the complex patients that Shriners seems to attract along with the complexity of trauma that a level 1 trauma center provides. My fellowship prepared me extremely well for the diverse pathology that I encounter in my practice in Colorado. I have a true general pediatric orthopedic practice and feel comfortable treating the diverse pathology I encounter."

— Aaron Boyles, 2016-2017 Fellow

"The fellowship is helping prepare me for my future through lifelong mentorship. I'm really developing relationships and getting to work alongside mentors that I can reach out to in the future."

— Mike Firtha, 2022-2023 Fellow



| Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery Faculty



Nicole Friel, M.D., MS, is Medical Director of Sports Medicine at Shriners Children's Northern California. Dr. Friel specializes in pediatric and adolescent orthopedic sports medicine, taking care of non-operative and operative problems, including performing arthroscopic and open procedures on the

knee, shoulder, elbow and hip. On the academic front, she has authored multiple peer-reviewed manuscripts in major orthopedic and sports medicine journals and also numerous book chapters. She loves teaching medical students and residents who aspire to be successful physicians. Dr. Friel enjoys taking care of all her patients but most especially athletes. She has served as the team physician for multiple high school and collegiate teams as well as assisting in the care of professional teams including the Pittsburgh Penguins, Chicago White Sox and Chicago Bulls. Her primary goal is to find the best way to return her young patients to being active and healthy.

CREREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, Rush Medical College, Rush University Medical Center
- Masters of Science, Anatomy and Cell Biology, Rush University Medical Center
- Residency, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Orthopedic Surgery
- Fellowship, Rush University Medical Center, Orthopedic Sports Medicine



Brian Haus, M.D., is a pediatric orthopedic surgeon and Sports Medicine Specialist with Shriners Children's Northern California. Dr. Haus is a native of Sacramento and is dedicated to providing world-class care to children in Northern California. He specializes in pediatric and adolescent sports medicine,

pediatric trauma, arthroscopy and joint preservation. He has extensive experience in treating children with sports injuries of the hip/shoulder/knee/ankle using open and arthroscopic techniques, including cartilage restoration. He also performs hip preservation surgery in adolescents with hip disorders, including hip arthroscopy, periacetabular osteotomy and open surgical dislocation. In addition to his appointment at Shriners Children's Northern California, Dr. Haus is an Associate Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at UC Davis School of Medicine.

CREREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, Stanford University
- Residency, Harvard Combined Orthopedic Residency Program, Orthopedic Surgery
- Fellowship, Boston Children's Hospital/Harvard Medical School, Pediatric Sports Medicine
- Fellowship, Boston Children's Hospital/Harvard Medical School, Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery



Vedant Kulkarni, M.D., serves as Medical Director of Orthopedic Education and Program Director of the Shriners Children's - UC Davis Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery Fellowship.

His work is devoted to treating children with all types of orthopedic conditions and injuries, including hip, lower extremity, and foot deformities. He has a special interest in neuromuscular disorders such as cerebral palsy and is part of the multidisciplinary Cerebral Palsy Center of Excellence, using computerized motion analysis to improve outcomes with surgery.

He has presented his research nationally and published scientific articles in multiple peer-reviewed international medical journals. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, Pediatric Orthopedic Society of North America, and the American Academy of Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine. He has been awarded the MacKeith Press Promising Career Award and the Fred P. Sage Award by the American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine.

CREREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, Stanford University School of Medicine
- Residency, UC San Diego Medical Center, Orthopedic Surgery
- Fellowship, Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery and Scoliosis



Joel Lerman, M.D., is an orthopedic surgeon for Shriners Children's Northern California and Associate Professor in the Department of Orthopedic Surgery at UC Davis School of Medicine. An honors graduate of Stanford University School of Medicine, Dr. Lerman practiced at Shriners Children's Texas and

was Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at Baylor College of Medicine before relocating to Northern California. Board certified by the American Board of Orthopedic Surgery and the National Board of Medical Examiners, Dr. Lerman is also licensed by The Medical Board of California, the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners and the Arizona Board of Medical Examiners. Dr. Lerman's professional affiliations include the Association of Children's Prosthetics and Orthotics Clinics, the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, the Pediatric Orthopedic Society of North America and the Scoliosis Research Society.

CREREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, Stanford University School of Medicine
- Residency, Maricopa Medical Center, Orthopedics
- Fellowship, Children's Hospital in Boston, Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery



Holly Leshikar, M.D., MPH, is Co-Director of the Shriners Children's -UC Davis Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery Fellowship. She enjoys treating the musculoskeletal conditions of children of all ages. She has a special interest in pediatric trauma, pediatric hip conditions, post-traumatic

conditions, congenital anomalies and is part of a multidisciplinary team that is devoted to excellence in clinical care and research.

Dr. Leshikar is actively involved in teaching. She has authored multiple book chapters and has published several peer-reviewed scientific articles. She has been awarded multiple honors including the Reno Orthopedic Clinic Trauma Award, Global Mentor Scholar Award from AAP, Resident Mentorship Award, and the David R. Freedy Memorial Award.

CREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine
- Residency, UC Davis Medical Center, Orthopedic Surgery
- Fellowship, Monroe Carroll Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt, Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery



Rolando F. Roberto, M.D., is Chief of Orthopaedic Surgery at Shriners Children's Northern California and Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at UC Davis. He has presented and published extensively in the areas of spinal deformity, spinal trauma, cervical disorders and recently on the prevention of spinal infections

in elective spinal surgery. The recipient of many research grants, he has participated in numerous medical research studies. Dr. Roberto is the recipient of two outstanding faculty awards from the department of orthopedic surgery at UC Davis School of Medicine. His professional affiliations include the Scoliosis Research Society, North American Spine Society and J. Robert Gladden Orthopedic Society. He previously taught at The University of Arizona College of Medicine - Tucson, in the departments of orthopedic surgery, where he also received two outstanding faculty awards.

CREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, UC Irvine School of Medicine
- Residency, University of Illinois Chicago, Orthopaedic Surgery
- Fellowship, Minnesota Spine Center, Orthopaedic Spine Surgery



Debra Templeton, M.D., is an orthopedic surgeon at Shriners Children's Northern California.

Dr. Templeton focuses exclusively on pediatric orthopedics, which includes reconstruction, scoliosis, sports, and trauma. She has served as a consultant editor for the Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery and the Journal of the American Academy of

Orthopedic Surgeons. As a fellow, she received the Boone Pickens Outstanding Fellow Research Award.

She also was awarded the Wyeth Resident Research Award. While in medical school, Dr. Templeton was a Member of the United States Olympic Development Track and Field Team and received the United States Olympic Committee Scholar Athlete Award.

Dr. Templeton is a Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons and a member of the Pediatric Orthopedic Society of North America, for which she has served on several national committees.

CREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, University of California, San Diego School of Medicine
- Residency, Fort Worth Affiliated Hospitals, Orthopedic Surgery
- Fellowship, Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery and Scoliosis



Megan Terle, M.D., MPH, is a pediatric orthopaedic surgeon specializing in pediatric trauma and limb deformity.

After completing her MD from Tulane University and MPH from Washington University, she completed an orthopaedic surgery residency at University of Washington in Seattle. Dr.

Terle completed two post-graduate fellowships, in Orthopaedic Trauma and Pediatric Orthopaedic Surgery, giving her comprehensive expertise in pediatric and young adult trauma and fracture surgery. She is a member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, Orthopaedic Trauma Association, and Ruth Jackson Orthopaedic Society.

CREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, Tulane University School of Medicine
- Master of Public Health, Washington University
- Residency, University of Washington, Orthopaedic Surgery
- Fellowship, University of California, Davis, Sacramento, CA, Orthopaedic Trauma
- Fellowship, University of Washington/Seattle Children's, Pediatric Orthopaedic Surgery



Amanda Whitaker, M.D., is a pediatric orthopedic surgeon at Shriners Children's Northern California and UC Davis Health. She is a native of central Ohio. She received her undergraduate degree in biology through the Honors Program at the University of Kentucky and completed her medical degree at the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine at Case Western Reserve University with qualifications in biomedical research. Her residency training was conducted at the University of California San Francisco where she completed the six-year research track. She went to Harvard Combined/Boston Children's Hospital for her pediatric orthopedic fellowship. Before joining Shriners Children's and UC Davis, she practiced orthopedic surgery for five years at Nationwide Children's Hospital focusing on children and adults with cerebral palsy, clubfoot, trauma, vascular malformations, osteogenesis imperfecta and macrodactyly.

CREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine, Case Western Reserve University
- Residency, University of California, San Francisco, Orthopedic Surgery
- Fellowship, Boston Children's Hospital/Harvard Medical School, Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery

| Pediatric Hand Surgery Faculty

The Upper Extremity Service at Shriners Children's Northern California is internationally recognized for its expertise in congenital and neuromuscular upper extremity differences. Pediatric orthopedic surgery fellows can work with these attendings during elective rotations.



M. Claire Manske, M.D., is Medical Director of Pediatric Hand Surgery and Medical Director of Orthopedic Research.

She specializes in congenital, traumatic, and neuromuscular (cerebral palsy, spinal cord injury, and brachial plexus palsy) conditions of the hand and upper extremity, with a particular interest in brachial plexus birth palsy. Her research

focuses on optimizing diagnosis, treatment, and outcomes of brachial plexus palsy and congenital hand differences. She has presented her research nationally and internationally and published scientific articles in multiple peer-reviewed medical journals.

She completed medical school and orthopedic surgery residency at Washington University School of Medicine in St Louis, Missouri. Following a fellowship in hand surgery at the University of Washington in Seattle, Washington, she completed a fellowship in pediatric hand surgery with Dr. Michelle James at the Shriners Children's Northern California.

CREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, Washington University School of Medicine in St Louis, Missouri
- Residency, Washington University School of Medicine in St Louis, Missouri
- Fellowship, Hand Surgery, University of Washington in Seattle, Washington
- Fellowship, Pediatric Hand Surgery, Shriners Children's Northern California



Micah K. Sinclair, M.D., is a pediatric hand and upper extremity surgeon and Associate Clinical Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery.

Following subspecialized fellowship training in Hand Surgery, she practiced at University of Cincinnati and at Children's Mercy in Kansas City before joining our staff in 2023. Dr.

Sinclair has published numerous peer-reviewed manuscripts and has presented at national conferences of the American Society for Surgery of the Hand, American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, and the American Orthopaedic Association. She has served in hospital and departmental leadership roles in Patient Safety, Diversity and Equity, and Performance Improvement. Dr. Sinclair is an active fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons and a member of the American Orthopaedic Association, Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America, and American Society for Surgery of the Hand.

CREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, Georgetown University School of Medicine
- Residency, Loyola University Medical Center, Orthopaedic Surgery
- Fellowship, University of Utah, Hand Surgery

Emeritus Faculty



Jon R. Davids, M.D., is an internationally recognized pediatric orthopaedic surgeon noted for his work in treating children with cerebral palsy. Prior to becoming Emeritus faculty, he served as Assistant Chief of Orthopaedic Surgery

and Medical Director of the Motion Analysis Center at Shriners Children's Northern California.

Dr. Davids graduated Magna Cum Laude from Brown University before earning his Doctor of Medicine at Harvard University, where he was a member of the Aesculapian Club and President of the Harvard Chapter of the American Medical Students Association. He completed his Residency in Orthopedic Surgery at the University of Colorado Affiliated Hospitals and a Fellowship in Pediatric Orthopedics at Children's Hospital and Health Center at the University of California, San Diego. Dr. Davids is a member of the Pediatric Orthopedic Society of North America, International Pediatric Orthopedic Think Tank, the American Orthopedic Association, the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, the American Board of Orthopedic Surgeons, Gait & Clinical Movement Analysis Society and the American Academy of Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine.

CREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts
- Residency, University of Colorado Affiliated Hospitals, Orthopedic Surgery
- Fellowship, University of California, San Diego, Pediatric Orthopedics



Michelle A. James, M.D., is an international expert in pediatric hand and upper extremity conditions including malformations and neuromuscular problems. Dr. James has served on the Board of Directors of the American Board of Orthopaedic

Surgery, The Perry Initiative, and Orthopaedic Overseas.

Dr. James has worked for Shriners Children's Northern California since 1989. She is a Clinical Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at UC Davis School of Medicine and UC San Francisco. Her professional affiliations include the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, the American Society for Surgery of the Hand, the Pediatric Orthopedic Society of North America, the American Orthopedic Association and the Ruth Jackson Society, for which she served as President in 2012.

Dr. James organizes and attends a pediatric hand surgery service trip to a pediatric hospital in Managua, Nicaragua twice per year, and has served as a mentor for many pre-medical and medical students and orthopedic surgery residents.

CREDENTIALS

- Medical Degree, University of California, San Diego
- Residency, UCSF School of Medicine
- Fellowship in Hand Microsurgery, Indiana Hand Center

| Pediatric Spine Surgery Faculty

The UC Davis Medical Center Spine Surgery Service has an active clinical and teaching practice at Shriners Children's Northern California. Pediatric orthopedic surgery fellows can work with these attendings during their Shriners Children's Northern California Spine Surgery rotation.



Yashar Javidan, M.D., is the Director of the Orthopedic Spine Surgery Fellowship at UC Davis Medical Center. Dr. Javidan received his M.D. from Chicago Medical School and graduated from Orthopedic Surgery Residency from University of Southern California Keck School of Medicine. He trained in pediatric and adult spine surgery at UC Davis Medical Center. He is an Associate Professor of Orthopedic Surgery.



Hai V. Le, M.D., is an Assistant Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery and attending orthopaedic spine surgeon at Shriners Children's and UC Davis. Dr. Le completed his orthopaedic residency training at the Harvard Combined Orthopaedic Residency Program (HCORP) and pediatric and adult spine surgery fellowship at UC Davis. His clinical interests include managing pediatric and adult patients with simple to complex spinal pathologies. Dr. Le also serves as Research Director of the UCD Spine Research Group.



NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED Excellence

Shriners Children's Northern California and UC Davis Children's Hospital share a commitment to serving the needs of children and families in our region through excellence in treatment, teaching and research. Shriners Children's Northern California is the only hospital in the Shriners Children's network to house facilities for all treatment and research specialties including complex orthopedic conditions, spinal cord injuries, burns, cleft lip, urology, pediatric surgery and plastic surgery. UC Davis Children's Hospital is a level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center with a large regional referral base. The two premier institutions form a comprehensive pediatric medical center campus in the heart of Sacramento.

For the 12th year in a row, Shriners Children's Northern California ranked in the 2023-2024 Best Children's Hospitals rankings published by U.S. News & World Report, the global authority in hospital rankings and consumer advice. Shriners Children's Northern California ranked 20th nationally in pediatric orthopedics, which was awarded in collaboration with UC Davis Children's Hospital.

Shriners Children's Northern California is the second pediatric hospital in the nation to obtain verification as a Level I Specialty Children's Surgery-Musculoskeletal Surgery Center by the American College of Surgeons (ACS), and the only facility on the West Coast. The Level I verification is the highest of three levels of ACS surgical verification a pediatric hospital can receive.



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