From the Editor

Fall is the Peak of the Medical Education Academic Year

This fall issue of Milestones in Medical Education highlights the significant productive work that the Department of Medical Education and its trainees have been accomplishing in the past few months. It also sets the stage for the mid-Academic Year activities including the busy holiday times.

This time of the year is a busy clinical time, with the beginning of the flu season. It also is a busy time for the Pediatric Residency Program recruitment cycle with several months of application reviews, applicant interviews, and ultimately ranking interviewees. Also this is the time of the year where residents and fellows scholarly activities start maturing and resulting in submission to national academic meetings.

This fall issue features several important milestones in Medical Education:

- Faculty and trainees continue to showcase their scholarly work nationally
- Trainees and staff continue to receive e-Recognitions for their humanism, and professionalism
- Several publications by NCH faculty and trainees added to the peer-reviewed medical literature

Finally, I have just returned from attending the AAP 2018 National Conference and Exhibition (NCE) in Orlando Florida. The NCE was so inspirational with 19,662 overall attendance, 10,208 professionals, and 2,342 internationals; NCH was there front and center well represented both in the sessions and the exhibit hall. It was inspirational to hear about bullying, advocacy, mental health, violence prevention, among other topics. It was energizing to see the opening plenary performance by a talented broadway-caliber residents from various training programs. And most of all it was inspirational to be amongst like-minded professionals who put the child and child health front and center regardless of age, race, ethnic background, country of origin, sexual orientation, and religion. Enjoy this issue of Milestones

Rani S. Gereige, MD, MPH, FAAP - DIO
Milestones in Residents Competition

NCH Pediatric Residency Program Participates in State Brain Bowl Competition

The NCH Pediatric Residency Program participated in September 2018 in the Florida Chapter of the AAP Annual meeting Brain Bowl Competition together with 9 other Pediatric Residencies in the State of Florida. Thank you to our brain bowl team: Drs. Kolli, Yasher, and Halickman for a job well done.

Milestones in National Award & Recognition

Dr. Gereige is the Recipient of AAP National Service Award

Dr. Rani Gereige, Director of Medical Education & DIO was the recipient of the AAP National Oral Health Service Award. He was presented the Award by the AAP Section on Oral Health at the 2018 AAP National Conference and Exhibition (NCE) in Orlando, Florida in November 2018. The Award was given for "Working to Advance Children’s Oral Health Through Education, Medical/Dental Collaboration, and Advocacy."
Milestones in Halloween Celebrations

We Bought a Zoo!!! - “Zoo Animals” is the Halloween Theme for NCH Residency Program

The Pediatric Residents celebrated the 2018 Halloween with a fun-filled event for patients and staff. The theme for this year was “Zoo Animals” and Program Director and Associate Program Directors were the Zoo Keepers.

Milestones in National Society Election

DIO Elected for National Society Membership

Dr. Rani Gereige (Director of Medical Education & DIO) was notified that he was elected for Active Membership in the American Pediatric Society (APS) starting January 1, 2019. According to the nomination; active membership in APS is “reserved for individuals residing in the United States or Canada who have distinguished themselves as child health leaders, teachers, scholars, policymakers, and/or clinicians and whose contributions are recognized nationally or internationally”. Congratulations.
**Milestones in Humanism and Professionalism**

**NCH Trainees Compliments and e-Recognitions**

Alejandro Frade Garcia, MD (PGY 3)

Dr. Alejandro Frade Garcia received an e-Recognition from 5T Clinical Specialist Ms. Jenna Klareich for displaying the NCHS Values of “Collaboration, Responsibility, Empowerment, Advocacy, Transformational, and Empathy”. Ms. Klareich commented: “I would like to recognize Alejandro on behalf of the entire 5 Tower team. Over the last month Alejandro has shown true leadership skills as our PL3. He supports not only the residents but the entire nursing staff and realizes it takes this entire team to take care of the patients and families. As the clinical specialist, I work closely with the residents and I consistently see Alejandro at the forefront of all questions for his residents. He guides them and also allows them to problem solve. Alejandro also takes the time to support nursing by listening to their input and encouraging the residents to update nursing staff. His bedside manner is one of a kind. One example is recently we had a patient come from an immigration home with almost no personal belongings. Alejandro took the initiative and provided this patient with clothes and shoes. The entire staff was just amazed at the empathy and kindness he showed to this patient. I cannot speak highly enough about Alejandro and the positive impact he has made on 5 Tower with the nursing staff. We all know he will be an amazing physician and cannot wait to see him excel on his next journey after residency. Thank you for EVERYTHING Alejandro. I know our patients, families, and staff truly appreciate everything you do”. Congratulations Alejandro on your display of the NCHSWay Values.

Lauren Chiriboga, MD (PGY1)

Stephanie Padron, MD (PGY1)

Giselle Fontela, MD (PGY1)

Jessica Wein, MD (PGY1)

Anthony Liberti, MD (PGY1)

Dr. Anthony Liberti received a recognition from the family of one of his patients. The family commented: “Thank you for your professionalism, love, compassion, and knowledge. You eased our worries every single time. Anthony took our son’s case under his wing and meticulously strategized every aerosol session, every oxygen level change, and even expressed his different views from that of his superior! He was never afraid to voice his opinion. For that, we appreciate you dearly”. Congratulations Anthony on your professionalism and compassion.

Sobia Naeem, DO (Peds Emergency Medicine Fellow)

Dr. Sobia Naeem received a recognition from a patient’s mother who posted a message on social media. The mother commented: “Dr. Naeem went above and beyond to make us feel comfortable. She showed compassion, love, and dedication. Thank you so much”. Congratulations Sobia on a job well-done. Keep up the good work!!!

The 5T Team Members for September (Drs. Chiriboga, Padron, Fontela, Wein, and Montarroyos) received an e-Recognition from Mary Vuong; Pharmacy Resident for their “Excellent Performance”. Ms. Vuong commented: “Thank you for being an awesome 5T resident. I appreciate how welcoming you all were to me and look forward to working with you again in the future. Keep doing what you’re doing. The tiny humans appreciate it greatly. :)”. Congratulations to all!!!

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Stephanie Padron, MD (PGY1)

Giselle Fontela, MD (PGY1)

Jessica Wein, MD (PGY1)

Stephanie Montarroyos, DO (PGY1)
Milestones in Scholarly Activities

Milestones in Medical Education Staff Recognition

Medical Education Staff e-Recognitions

Ms. Ana Otero; C-TAGME; Fellowship Coordinator received two e-Recognitions:

♦ The first e-Recognition was from Dr. Marytery Fajardo (Clinical Neurophysiology Fellow) who recognized Ana for her display of the NCHS Values of Collaboration, Responsibility, Advocacy, and Empathy. Dr. Fajardo commented: “I’d like to recognize Ana Otero for her continual support and advocacy of the trainees. She is always looking out for us and willing to help resolve any issues we may have, however big or small, and regardless if they fall into her “realm” or not. She always has a smile on her face and despite her many duties, she never ever lets you feel like you are taking up her precious time. She is always willing to take some time aside to chat with each of the residents and really listen to them. She makes you feel like you are her top priority, even though we know there are many of us she is balancing every day! I really appreciate Ana’s support, assistance, and positive attitude. She is one of the key people in the hospital that make it feel like an extension of our family. I realized today as I am about to ask her for assistance yet again, that we do not say this enough - thank you for all that you do Ana!!!”. Congratulations!!

♦ The second e-Recognition was from Ms Joyce Gestwicki; Sr. TM&E Onboarding/ Audit Coordinator. Joyce recognized Ana for her Excellent Performance and commented: “Ana is aware of just how critical the I-9 is to the Onboarding process and has been instrumental in updating the Fellows’ visas. thanks Ana for all you do!”. Congratulations Ana.

NCH Faculty & Trainees Contribute to the Published Literature

♦ Dr. Bala Totapally and his co-authors: Beltramo F; DiCarlo J; Gruber JB and Taylor T. published their manuscript titled: “Renal Replacement Therapy Modalities in Critically Ill Children” in the Pediatric Critical Care Medicine Journal. Congratulations!!!

♦ Dr. Bala Totapally was notified that his manuscript titled: “Parent Articles are authored by NCH faculty & trainees: Drs. Sierra D; Wood M; Kolli S; and Felipez LM published the review article titled: “Pediatric Gastritis, Gastropathy, and Peptic Ulcer Disease” and Drs. Bailey NA and Diaz-Barbosa M published the review article titled: “Effect of Maternal Substance Abuse on the Fetus, Neonate, and Child”. Congratulations!!

Milestones in NCHS Recognitions

NCHS is the Recipient of Several National Recognitions

Vizient Program Achievement Award

NCHS is the recipient of the Vizient Program Achievement Award. This award recognizes the top participating CHA members for their commitment, participation and support of the Vizient Impact Standardization Program, Novaplus, Preferred Pediatric Program and Vizient contracting programs.

Congratulations!!!

Most Wired Award Recipient

NCHS was named the 2018 Most Wired Hospital by the College of Healthcare Information Management Executives (CHIME). This award recognizes hospitals and health systems that are at the forefront of using healthcare IT to improve the delivery of care, have maximized the benefits of foundational technologies, and are embracing new technologies that support population management and value-based care. Congratulations!!!
Milestones in Research News

Nicklaus Children’s Research Institute Announces the Launch of Protocol Builder®

The Nicklaus Children’s Research Institute announced the launch of Protocol Builder®. This is a cloud-based protocol writing technology that makes it faster and easier to develop investigator-initiated clinical research protocols that meet IRB and regulatory standards. It is a robust, yet simple-to-use application and can be accessed conveniently on laptops, desktops, and iPads.

The application also includes a Resident & New Investigator Program, which includes:

- A Retrospective Chart Review Protocol Template. Designed specifically for chart review studies - with only the relevant sections and necessary guidance. No unneeded and confusing instructions.
- Deep Protocol Guidance and Sample Text. Gives writers a head start on the section with section guidance and sample text that helps create structure for the section, with one click.
- Observational Research Design Training. Learn about the scientific method and different observational design options with real case studies, delivered live by BRANY’s training expert.
- Tutorial Videos, Articles and Collaboration Features. New tutorial videos, relevant articles to resident research projects and collaboration features to help the mentoring process between faculty and students.

Other Key Benefits of Protocol Builder®:

- Save significant time and effort developing protocols
- Reduces missing sections and errors to speed acceptance of protocols
- Improve adherence to IRB and regulatory standards
- Enable collaboration among contributors
- Advance the ability to publish research
- Strengthen research programs and increase study pipelines

Training sessions will be held for Fellows & Residents and faculty in the near future. In the meantime, you can get familiar here is the link to the Nicklaus application - https://app.protocolbuilderpro.com/register/nicklaus-health
Milestones in National Presence

Strong Presence of NCH at National AAP NCE Meeting

The 2018 AAP National Conference and Exhibition was held November 3-6, 2018. NCH had a strong presence at NCE in multiple aspects of the conference:

- NCH was an exhibitor at the NCE with over 11,000 professionals attending the conference.
- Dr. Narendra Kini (NCHS CEO) was a Plenary Session speaker on Sunday November 4th, 2018 and was introduced by Dr. Gereige. The session was attended by over 4,000 attendees.
- Dr. Rani Gereige (DIO); who completed his 6th year on the NCE Planning Group; moderated the Plenary sessions on Sunday November 4th, 2018.
- Dr. Hernandez-Trujillo; Allergy-Immunology Division Chief and Fellowship Director and Dr. Camille Ortega; A/I Fellow held two sold-out workshops

Below are few pictures from the NCE 2018.
### Medical Education Birthdays

#### November
- Gregory Schaiberger | 1
- Milarys Hernandez Martinez | 1
- Jessica Wein | 3
- Stephania Laitret | 5
- Marytery Fajardo | 7
- Stephanie Padron | 7
- Cynthia Lopez | 13
- Ebaa Jastaniah | 15
- Antonia Sigl | 16
- Shelly Wang | 17
- Guido Alcon Mantilla | 21

#### December
- Estefania Rivera Flores | 1
- Saleem Almasarwah | 2
- Sana Bhatti | 18
- Gino Bardi | 26
- Stephen Girgis | 31