

# UF HEALTH SHANDS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL HOSPITALIST SERVICES

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CHILDREN'S  
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## About UF Health Shands Children's Hospital

Our team of pediatric hospitalists is devoted to the quality and safety of each patient we treat. As the stewards of care for hospitalized children, our faculty and staff believe there is nothing more important than the health and well-being of our patients. We are dedicated to making the inpatient environment safe and strive to consistently meet and exceed national standards for clinical care, patient safety, outstanding service and patient satisfaction.

Our highly skilled and caring staff bring our patients the latest technology and leading-edge treatments while fostering a culture of safety and excellence. As a result, we are consistently one of the top-rated children's hospitals in the state.

## Statistics for FY23

**56,136**

Total inpatient  
days

**66**

# of Florida  
counties  
our patients  
represent

**50**

# of states  
our patients  
represent

**28**

different medical  
specialties involved in  
coordinating care

**7**

# of countries  
our patients  
represent

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# FUNDING INITIATIVES AND PRIORITIES



## Asthma

With more than 4.6 million children suffering from pediatric asthma, this prevalent chronic illness is the leading cause of emergency room visits, missed school days and health care expenditures, making it a significant public health concern. At UF Health, we take a multidisciplinary approach in caring for patients with asthma. The Pediatric Asthma Center for Excellence, or PACE, group includes representatives from the pediatric emergency room, the pediatric hospitalist team, pulmonary specialties, nursing and respiratory specialties. Learn how our work in fostering teamwork between families and providers and the implementation of our bedside asthma action plan have decreased our patients' length of stay.

## Eat, Sleep and Console

In 2019, we piloted a new assessment and care tool called Eat, Sleep and Console, or ESC, to improve management and outcomes for infants by optimizing nonpharmacological interventions for Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome. Our results have demonstrated several positive outcomes, including a decrease in infant length of stay and hospital costs, an increase in referrals to community-based services and an increase in referrals to services for unmet needs of birth parents with opioid use disorder.

## MotoMeds

The MotoMeds pediatric call center and mobile pharmacy service prevents pre-emergent illnesses such as fever and diarrhea from transitioning into emergencies during the nighttime hours — a critical health care service where medical resources are often prohibitively expensive and inaccessible in places like Haiti.

## Quality and Safety

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