

# Pediatric Specialist Guide

*A referral guide for health care providers*



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## CARDIOLOGY

The Department of Cardiology evaluates and treats patients with congenital or acquired forms of heart disease, symptoms related to structural heart disease, abnormal cardiac function and rhythm irregularities. Our specialists have pioneered procedures for interventional catheterization and repair of many types of congenital cardiac defects, perfected methods of non-invasive preoperative diagnosis and developed techniques for catheter ablation of arrhythmias.

The department has expertise in the following areas:

- adults with congenital heart disease
- anomalous coronary arteries
- aortic stenosis/regurgitation
- arrhythmias
- arteriovenous malformations
- atrial septal defect
- atrioventricular canal defect
- bacterial endocarditis
- cardiac transplantation
- cardiomyopathy
- cardiovascular genetics
- chest pain
- coarctation of the aorta
- cyanosis
- dyslipidemias
- edema
- fetal echocardiography
- fetal intervention
- heart failure
- heterotaxy
- hypoplastic left heart syndrome
- Kawasaki disease
- long QT syndrome
- murmurs
- patent ductus arteriosus
- pulmonary atresia
- pulmonary hypertension
- pulmonary stenosis
- single ventricle
- syncope
- tetralogy of fallot
- total anomalous pulmonary venous return
- transposition of the great arteries
- tricuspid atresia
- truncus arteriosus
- ventricular septal defects
- WPW syndrome

## CLINICAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES:

### Services:

- Cardiac anesthesia
- Cardiac catheterization labs
- Cardiac ECMO
- Cardiac Intensive Care Unit (CICU)
- Cardiac MRI
- Echocardiography
- Electrophysiology
- Exercise physiology
- Fetal echocardiography
- Inpatient cardiology
- Non-invasive cardiac imaging
- Outpatient cardiology
- Robotic surgery

### Boston Adult Congenital Heart (BACH)

Offers long-term care and advanced therapeutic options for adolescents and adults with congenital heart disease.

Scheduling: 617-355-6508 or [childrenshospital.org/bach](http://childrenshospital.org/bach)

### Cardiac Neurodevelopmental Program

Cares for children with heart problems who are at higher risk for developmental, learning, and behavioral problems.

Scheduling: 617-355-3401

### Cardiac Psychiatry

Helps patients and families deal with the emotions and stress brought on by coping with a heart issue.

Information: 617-355-8606 or [childrenshospital.org/cardiacpsych](http://childrenshospital.org/cardiacpsych)

### Cardiomyopathy

Provides advanced diagnostic and therapeutic options for infants, children and adolescents diagnosed with cardiomyopathy.

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### Cardiovascular Genetics

Provides clinical care, information, and resources for patients and families with a cardiac diagnosis in the setting of a recognized or suspected genetic condition or a family with inherited cardiovascular disease. We are able to assess not only children with genetic abnormalities, but adults as well.

Scheduling (patients 17 years of age or younger): 617-355-2079

Scheduling (patients 18 years or older): 617-355-8794

### Heart Failure/Heart Transplant

Evaluates children who are potential candidates for transplantation and manages the care of those who have received transplanted hearts. In 2008, the program performed 18 donor heart transplants and implanted 10 Berlin Hearts (8 single ventricle with ECMO and 2 bi-ventricle with ECMO).

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### **Interventional Catheterization**

Diagnoses and treats certain heart conditions using catheterization. With six full-time physicians performing 1,600 procedures each year, year, the catheterization program at Children's is one of the largest in the country.

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### **Kawasaki Disease**

Coordinates care for patients with Kawasaki Disease, both during the acute phase and in long-term follow-up. The program sees 50 new patients each year and has more than 1,400 patients in their long-term program.

Scheduling: 617-355-2079 or [childrenshospital.org/kawasaki](http://childrenshospital.org/kawasaki)

### **Preventive Cardiology**

Provides services to children aimed at identifying and medically managing cholesterol and blood pressure problems early in life, with the goal of preventing heart attack or stroke later in life.

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### **Pulmonary Hypertension**

Provides diagnosis and a range of treatment options for patients with pulmonary hypertension.

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### **Pulmonary Vein Stenosis**

Provides care to patients diagnosed with pulmonary vein stenosis utilizing a multidisciplinary team of doctors and nurses with expertise in the fields of cardiology, radiology, pathology and neuro-oncology.

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Fall River	St. Anne's Hospital 243 Forest Street	617-355-2079
Lexington	Children's Hospital Boston at Lexington 482 Bedford Street	617-355-2079
Nashua, NH	St. Joseph's Hospital 172 Kinsley Street	617-355-2079
New Bedford	Dartmouth Place 49 State Road, 2nd Floor	617-355-2079
Norwood	Children's Hospital Physicians at Caritas Norwood Hospital 800 Washington Street	617-355-2079
Peabody	Children's Hospital Boston at Peabody One Essex Center Drive	617-355-2079
Waltham	Children's Hospital Boston at Waltham 9 Hope Avenue	617-355-2079
Weymouth	Children's Hospital Physicians at South Shore Hospital 55 Fogg Road	617-355-2079

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### **Urgent Appointment Triage**

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