The University of Tennessee College of Medicine Chattanooga Pediatrics Residency Program is based at Children’s Hospital at Erlanger, a 107-bed regional tertiary care facility, including a 14-bed PICU and 58-bed NICU. Children’s is a major component of the Erlanger Health System and is attached to the main Baroness Erlanger Campus. Children’s Hospital at Erlanger is the region’s only pediatric teaching hospital and is designated as one of only four Comprehensive Regional Pediatric Centers in the state. Our program has eight resident positions at each level and provides comprehensive training in general pediatrics and the pediatric subspecialties. We have the volume and variety of patients often found in larger children’s hospitals.

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- “Chattanooga is the perfect city for me.”
- “The program provides the best of both worlds—a community setting in an academic environment.”
- “We have a diverse range of pathology and first class facilities needed to care for these patients.”
- “The one-on-one interaction with the faculty was the most valuable aspect of the program for me.”

Faculty

A close working relationship between faculty and residents is the foundation of our program. Our full-time faculty members outnumber our residents. Each member of our faculty provides direct patient care on a daily basis and conducts the teaching on patient floors and in clinics. The pediatrics faculty consists of 46 hospital-based physicians who represent both general pediatrics and a comprehensive list of pediatric subspecialties combined with pediatric surgery and related subspecialties. In addition, we have 40 volunteer faculty members who practice general pediatrics and related subspecialties in the community.

The Department of Pediatrics offers specialized care in these subspecialties:
- Adolescent Medicine
- Allergy/Immunology
- Ambulatory Care
- Anesthesiology
- Cardiology
- Craniofacial Surgery
- Critical Care
- Dermatology
- Emergency Medicine
- Endocrinology
- Gastroenterology
- Genetics
- Hematology/Oncology
- Infectious Diseases
- Nephrology
- Neonatology
- Neurology
- Neurosurgery
- Ophthalmology
- Orthopaedics
- Otolaryngology
- Pediatric Surgery
- Psychology/Behavioral Science
- Pulmonology
- Radiology
- Urology

Our program stresses both academics and clinical pediatrics. Morning report is held 3 days/week and attended by both residents and faculty. Weekly Grand Rounds and a 4 hour didactic lecture block are also conducted. Our program uses a night float system with rare call. Our graduates have an excellent track record of passing the certification examinations of the American board of Pediatrics. After graduation, 50% go on to fellowships, 40% enter private practice, and 10% become hospitalists.

Our program offers strong academics, direct faculty teaching, broad-based clinical experience within a close-knit, relaxed environment. We encourage our residents to have outside interests. Many of the residents and faculty pursue outdoor activities including rock climbing, kayaking, hang gliding, golfing, tennis, sculling, running, biking, water-skiing, hiking, and camping. Others enjoy cultural and community activities with families and friends. Our residents are supported as they learn, read, pursue research interests, and enjoy their free time. Consider Chattanooga for your Pediatrics Residency training.

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