



# Pediatric Limb Deformity Program

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#### **Conditions Treated**

• Limb length discrepancy

• Hip dysplasia

• Hip and limb deformity

• Congenital femoral deficiency

• Blount disease

Genu varum

Genu valgum

• Fibular hemimelia

Rickets

Skeletal dysplasia

• Multiple hereditary exostosis

Growth arrest

### **Therapies**

- Limb lengthening with both external fixators and internal lengthening nails
- Pelvic osteotomy for complex hip deformity
- Corrective osteotomies of the femur, tibia, foot and upper extremity
- Soft tissues and distraction options for joint contracture
- Nerve decompression to allow for safer limb deformity correction
- · Guided growth correction of angular and torsional deformities of the hip, knee, ankle and foot

## **Distinguishing Features**

- Lead center for the CHILD (Children's Hospitals Investigating Limb Deformity) multicenter study group, the only study group for pediatric limb deformity, currently composed of eight centers in three countries
- Leader in the use of the Ilizarov technique and Taylor Spatial Frames
- Multidisciplinary team with specialized limb deformity nursing, physical therapy and orthotic care, as well as a dedicated pain management service for perioperative care
- Full range of options offered, from orthotic options and physical therapy to the full range of options for complex surgical care
- Leading-edge research: 29 national and international research podium presentations in 2015 alone, with five national and international research awards in the past five years

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