The Pediatric Liver Center at UCSF Benioff Children’s Hospitals (San Francisco and Oakland) is dedicated to the care of infants, children and adolescents with disorders of the liver and bile ducts. Our team of experts span the complete spectrum of medical and surgical disciplines to provide the best possible comprehensive care for patients with complex liver diseases. With compassionate providers and access to cutting-edge, world-class research, the Pediatric Liver Center is committed to using state-of-the-art medical treatments and surgical approaches for our patients. We specialize in the following areas:

- Pediatric liver transplant
- Pediatric surgery
- Hepatology
- Hepatobiliary oncology
- Liver-specific radiology (including interventional)

Our team is recognized as national leaders in changing transplant policy to improve access for children and adolescents. Additionally, our pediatric liver tumor clinical trials and consortia have received international recognition. Together, our specialists provide the best possible comprehensive care for patients with complex liver diseases. Core to our program is offering personalized treatment plans from beginning to end for every child. We believe inclusion of the referring physician, every step of the way, is key to a successful outcome for each patient.

**CONDITIONS TREATED**

- All congenital anomalies of the liver and biliary tract, including biliary atresia and choledochal cysts
- Metabolic disorders, including urea cycle disorders and Alagille syndrome
- Acquired liver disorders, including viral hepatitis, autoimmune hepatitis, primary sclerosing cholangitis and nonalcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD)
- Liver failure (acute and chronic)
- Liver tumors (benign and malignant)

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**PROGRAM FEATURES**

- Personalized treatment plans, including genetic testing for liver tumors and all forms of liver disease
- Targeted therapies with access to the unique UCSF500 Cancer Gene Panel, a pan-cancer genomic profiling test that analyzes the coding regions of 479 cancer-related genes
- Surgery for biliary atresia and choledochal cysts, as well as laparoscopic liver resection for benign and malignant conditions
- High volumes of nonsurgical interventions – including interventional radiology (IR), endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) and endoscopic ultrasound (EUS) – with broad expertise in minimally invasive interventions
- Multidisciplinary clinics, including for obesity and fatty liver disease, liver disease in inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) and immunodeficiency, Fontan-associated liver disease, and choledochal cysts
- Host of a monthly national, multidisciplinary pediatric liver tumor board

**WHY REFER TO UCSF?**

- As members of the larger scientific community at UCSF Benioff Children’s Hospitals, we are pushing the field forward as we better understand pediatric liver disease and develop innovative therapies for patients.
- Our program includes personalized care with a mortality rate half the national average, a transplant rate higher than the national average, and extensive experience with living donor transplants.
- Our program leads the National Institutes of Health (NIH)-sponsored research network to reduce and optimize immunosuppression for children’s long-term care after a liver transplant.
- UCSF was a founding member of the Starzl Network for Excellence in Pediatric Transplantation, a collaborative of top pediatric liver transplant centers across North America dedicated to delivering the best possible care and developing new, scalable solutions to pediatric transplantation’s most challenging problems.
- We are experts in the diagnosis and management of pediatric bile duct disorders, with research focused on understanding how diseases like biliary atresia occur and how to create new therapies to treat this disorder.
- Our program includes dedicated, multidisciplinary expertise to diagnose and treat pediatric liver tumors with an international, multicenter hepatobiliary tumor board facilitated at UCSF.
- Our program includes early-phase clinical trials to treat children, adolescents and young adults with relapsed or refractory liver cancer.
- We conduct cutting-edge research to understand the biology of one of the most common types of pediatric liver cancer, hepatoblastoma.

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