

Seattle Children's Cancer and Blood Disorders Center

Cancer Care Leadership

Our team consists of more than 20 doctors specializing in all forms of childhood cancer. These physicians co-lead a multidisciplinary team of pediatric oncologists, hematologists, surgeons, radiation oncologists, social workers, Child Life specialists, nutritionists, pain management specialists, and professionals from many other disciplines to provide the best care possible.

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Most Frequently Treated Cancers

Leukemia

Brain

Solid tumors

Bone tumors and sarcomas

Lymphomas

Neuroblastomas

Kidney tumors

World-Renowned Cancer Care

Seattle Children's Hospital treats more newly diagnosed young cancer patients than any other institution in the region. Combined with the latest breakthroughs in cancer research, this expertise brings about better results for our patients: For all forms of childhood cancer combined, our survival rate is higher than the national average.

Children's pediatric oncology and hematology experts are both scientists and physicians, who place as much emphasis on diagnosis and care planning as they do on developing new treatments. Our cutting-edge research makes the newest protocols available to patients from infancy through young adulthood. We treat patients up to 21 years of age for all conditions, and up to 25 years old for select diagnoses.

Adolescents and young adults with cancer do better on pediatric protocols designed for children than on those designed for older patients.

Learn More:

www.seattlechildrens.org/cancer

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Hope. Care. Cure.™

At the Forefront of Cancer Research

Our physician-scientists are international leaders in research that improves the outlook for young cancer patients. We participate in the Children's Oncology Group (COG), COG Phase I Consortium, TACL (Therapeutic Advances in Childhood Leukemia), the Pediatric Brain Tumor Consortium and the NANT (New Approaches to Neuroblastoma Therapy) consortium — respected cancer research organizations. These affiliations allow us to offer patients the latest treatments through clinical trials, including Phase I and Phase II trials — early studies not available at any other facility in the region. Our research informs regional and national care:

- Experts in the field: Children's doctors develop many of the treatment protocols followed at other facilities across the nation.
- Regional reach: We consult with doctors throughout the region on their patients' cancer care and work with local providers to ensure that patient therapies take place as close to home as possible.
- Partnering for a cure: Children's joined with the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and the University of Washington to form the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance, bringing together the best minds dedicated to clinical and research excellence.

Our Mission

We believe all children have unique needs and should grow up without illness or injury. With the support of the community and through our spirit of inquiry, we will prevent, treat and eliminate pediatric disease.

Our Vision

To be the best children's hospital.



Competent and Comprehensive Care

Children's provides a full range of outpatient and inpatient care for newborns to young adults with all forms of cancer, including the rarest and most complex forms of the disease. From the first appointment through long term follow-up, we focus on all aspects of a patient's needs by offering:

- Same-day appointments: Upon referral, newly diagnosed patients have same-day access to Children's so treatment planning can begin right away.
- New treatments: We provide chemotherapy, radiation therapy, surgery, hematopoietic cell transplants and other state-of-the-art interventions.
- A team approach: Representing more than 20 subspecialties — from bone marrow failure to pain management — our skilled professionals work together to provide multidisciplinary care.
- Family-centered care: We involve families in decision-making, offer coping strategies and support, and work with patients' hometown doctors to get families back home as soon as possible.
- Nationally recognized surgical oncology care: Our surgical team includes a bone tumor specialist as well as neurosurgeons skilled at removing brain tumors to treat children who need these delicate operations.
- Hematology expertise: We diagnose many types of blood disorders and offer testing and counseling for families concerned about inherited blood problems.
- Renowned transplant program: In partnership with Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center — a world leader in transplants — we offer transplantation services for cancer and non-malignant diseases.

Learn More

Visit us online at seattlechildrens.org/cancer, or call 206-987-2106 for information or to make an appointment.



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