The Craniofacial Center specializes in the treatment of cleft lip and palate, craniosynostosis, craniofacial microsomia and other complex craniofacial conditions. Our multidisciplinary team provides diagnosis and long-term management for children with craniofacial abnormalities. We have a comprehensive craniofacial team of over 40 healthcare providers from 19 specialty areas, dedicated to providing all aspects of care to children with craniofacial conditions.

Surgical techniques developed by our craniofacial surgeons are revolutionizing the way craniofacial surgery is done all over the world. These innovative procedures enable doctors to address even the most serious and complex craniofacial abnormalities and provide the benefits of improved health and a more normal appearance for an increasing number of children.

Our interdisciplinary team provided comprehensive cleft and craniofacial care for 2,841 individual patients in 2010.
Fellowship Programs
Seattle Children's Hospital offers craniofacial fellowships in collaboration with the University of Washington Medical Center.

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Research
The Center for Craniofacial Research is dedicated to advancing the treatment of children with craniofacial anomalies through carefully designed clinical and basic studies. Current research includes:

- Bioengineered cranial defect implants
- Communications and speech research
- Craniofacial surgery device design
- Craniosynostosis surgery outcome studies
- Developmental biology of midface hypoplasia
- Developmental genetics of cleft lip and palate
- Epidemiology of craniofacial conditions
- Eye movement abnormalities in craniosynostosis
- Molecular genetics of craniosynostosis
- Neurocognitive outcomes in craniofacial conditions
- Oral health in children with cleft lip and palate
- Risk factors for craniofacial microsomia

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