Division of Pediatric Endocrinology

The Division of Pediatric Endocrinology offers comprehensive diagnostic and therapeutic endocrinology services for children, from infancy through young adulthood. Our treatment team includes pediatric endocrinologists, pediatric endocrinology nurses, dietitians and social workers, who work together with the primary care physicians to give your child the highest level of care.

Family-Centered Care
Depending on the nature of the illness, your child may need only one consultation with the pediatric endocrinologist or may become a long-term patient. Your family benefits from a very personal approach to care, similar to the experience of visiting a physician in a private practice. Your child is typically treated by the same physician, who knows the medical history and family background information. This continuity of care contributes to more positive health care outcomes. We value the critical role that parents play in keeping their children healthy. As a key member of our health care team, you have access to all members of your child’s medical care team and participate in making all decisions about your child’s care.

Conditions Treated
• Adrenal abnormalities
• Calcium abnormalities
• Chromosomal abnormalities
• Diabetes
• Growth disorders
• Pituitary disorders
• Puberty-related disorders, including precocious puberty and delayed puberty
• Rickets
• Thyroid abnormalities

Specialty Services
• Endocrine testing capabilities like specialized endocrine stimulation and tolerance tests of the adrenal and pituitary glands
• Outpatient testing for growth hormone evaluation
• Growth hormone therapy
• Outpatient infusion services in our infusion center to administer medication

Diabetes
Type 1 diabetes, formerly known as juvenile diabetes, is a condition in which a child’s pancreas no longer produces significant insulin. Insulin must be replaced for the child to survive. If your child has a diagnosis of type 1 diabetes, our team will guide you and your child to achieve the technical skills and knowledge base to manage your child’s diabetes effectively.

In the last 20 years, the obesity epidemic among children and adolescents has resulted in a growing number of children diagnosed with type 2 diabetes and pre-diabetes. In type 2 diabetes, the cells in a child’s body are resistant to the effects of insulin, and glucose builds up in the bloodstream. If your child is diagnosed with type 2 diabetes, our team teaches you and your child to monitor blood sugar on a regular basis. Our dietitian will help your child create a diet and exercise plan to support a healthier lifestyle.

If your child receives any type of diabetes diagnosis, our team is committed to educating your family about diabetes and planning for effective home management of the disease. The division offers an insulin pump education program to share information about how to select and use an insulin pump. A vendor display and demonstration allows your child to see different types of pumps firsthand and make side-by-side comparisons, which allows you and your child to determine the pump that best meets your child’s needs.
The Children’s Hospital

The Herman and Walter Samuelson Children’s Hospital at Sinai is one of the nation’s leading pediatric community hospitals with one of the strongest pediatric residency programs in the country. The Children’s Hospital treats more than 2,500 inpatients and 20,000 outpatients each year. Its team of medical experts provides advanced specialty care bringing extensive knowledge and experience to the diagnosis and treatment of a full range of pediatric illnesses and diseases. The Children’s Hospital provides a family-friendly environment that integrates families as partners in the care of their children.

For more information about the Herman & Walter Samuelson Children’s Hospital at Sinai, visit: http://www.lifebridgehealth.org/ChildrensHospital/.

To access the Children’s Hospital Pediatric Inpatient portal that includes health information, activities and games for parents, kids and teens, visit: http://www.lifebridgehealth.org/kidshealth.