

ON CALL

A regular feature introducing the specialists at the Floating Hospital for Children at Tufts Medical Center

PEDIATRIC GASTROENTEROLOGY

Three new, talented pediatric gastroenterologists have joined Alex Flores, MD, Chief of the Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition at Floating Hospital for Children at Tufts Medical Center. This newly enlarged division, with its seven satellite clinics around Boston and in Nashua, NH, is now one of the most robust in the city treating children's gastrointestinal disorders.

In addition to providing excellent care and state-of-the-art diagnostic and monitoring services, this practice is committed to being partners with the physicians who refer their patients here. A key goal is maintaining ongoing communication between the referring physician and the Floating gastroenterologist. This includes relaying information about the initial consultation, hospitalization, if required, and discharge and follow-up programs. All details are shared and the doctor treating the patient is always only a phone call away.

The Division of Gastroenterology services include the diagnosis and therapy for a wide range of pediatric intestinal, liver and neuro-digestive disorders, as well as management of patients with complex motility disorders.

In addition, the gastroenterology practice offers nutrition services, including evaluation and management of nutritional status and related growth failure, obesity, malnutrition and eating disorders.

State-of-the-art gastrointestinal diagnostic procedures include esophageal dilation, upper gastrointestinal endoscopy, colonoscopy, sigmoidoscopy, small bowel biopsy, wireless video capsule endoscopy and impedance motility studies, among many others.

This depth and breadth of expertise and specialized medical and nursing care along with the Division's commitment to working closely with you, the referring physician makes the Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition an excellent choice for the care of your young patients with gastrointestinal disorders. □

To refer your patients to the Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition at Floating Hospital for Children at Tufts Medical Center, call 617 636-3266.



ALEX FLORES, MD

Chief, Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition;
Director, Pediatrics NeuroDigestive Center at Floating Hospital for Children

Medical School

Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala
School of Medical Sciences

Fellowships and Post-graduate Training

Children's Hospital Boston

Board Certified

Pediatric Gastroenterology

Specialties

GI motility disorders

Languages

English and Spanish



PETER NGO, MD

Director, Endoscopic Unit

Medical School

University of California, Los Angeles

Fellowships and Post-graduate Training

University of California, Irvine Medical

Center, Children's Hospital Boston, Massachusetts
General Hospital

Board Certified

Pediatric Gastroenterology

Specialties

Inflammatory bowel disease, eosinophilic GI disease
and allergic gastrointestinal disease



BRIAN REGAN, DO

Pediatric Gastroenterologist

Medical School

New York College of
Osteopathic Medicine

Fellowships and Post-graduate Training

Winthrop University Hospital,
Schneider Children's Hospital on Long Island

Board Certified

Pediatric Gastroenterology

Specialties

Inflammatory bowel disease



BHANU SUNKU, MD

Director of Clinical Services
and Education

Medical School

Boston University School of Medicine

Fellowships and Post-graduate Training

Winthrop University Hospital,
Children's Memorial Hospital, Chicago

Board Certified

Pediatric Gastroenterology

Specialties

Functional gastrointestinal disorders, abdominal migraines,
irritable bowel syndrome, and cyclic vomiting syndrome

SEE OUR PEDIATRIC GI AND SURGICAL TEAM IN ACTION

View a Webcast of our Chief of Pediatric GI Alex Flores, MD and Chief of Pediatric Surgery Brian Gilchrist, MD performing an innovative new method of Percutaneous Endoscopic Gastrostomy, or "PEG." Traditional PEG surgery places a feeding tube in a patient who is not getting proper nutrition, usually due to metabolic or digestive disorders. The new more advanced version developed by Flores called "LAPEG" improves patient safety and outcomes through the use of laparoscopic surgical techniques to visually confirm correct placement of the feeding tube even in very young infants, avoiding many of the risks of complications posed by conventional PEG surgery.

See it anytime at <http://www.or-live.com/tuftsmc/2166/index.cfm>