

Title: 2026 Pediatric Otolaryngology Research Symposium

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Date: April 1, 2026

Time: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

**Place: Nationwide Children's Hospital
520 Butterfly Gardens Drive
Columbus, Ohio 43215**

Description: This conference is directed to presenting clinical updates and research discoveries for the otolaryngologic care of children. This one-day meeting will include expert panels, multidisciplinary discussions and strategies to improve quality for care of children.

Objectives

At the conclusion of this activity, learners will be able to:

1. State current clinical practice guidelines for the medical and surgical management of otolaryngologic conditions.
2. Describe clinical hearing outcomes for children who have conductive or mixed hearing loss and use Active Transcutaneous Bone Conduction Outcomes (atBCI).
3. Describe interventions utilized in an attempt to increase the rate of completion of a speech and language evaluation prior to 12 months of age for children with permanent hearing loss.
4. Discuss novel translational therapies for the management of complex pediatric otolaryngologic disease.
5. State key foundational and emerging topics in the evaluation of the child with dysphagia.
6. Explain the dysphagia evaluation and management services offered by the otolaryngology and speech pathology department at Nationwide Children's Hospital.
7. Explain the IDDSI framework for thickened liquids, including the pragmatic concerns for families and caregivers.
8. Explain the relative benefits and concerns with available thickening agents/regimens available to patients at Nationwide Children's Hospital.
9. Describe how Expiratory Muscle Strength Training can be used to target improved swallowing, speech and voice in pediatric populations
10. Critically appraise and apply the latest research findings to clinical practice, enhancing the quality of care provided by the healthcare team.
11. Improve collaboration and communication among the healthcare team by working together on care plans and recommendations.

12. Apply information from topics and discussions presented throughout the symposium to encourage retention of information while working with other disciplines and team building during an interactive game.
13. Understand current practice patterns in the diagnosis and management of ankyloglossia.
14. Describe importance of nuanced clinical evaluation of patients presenting with concern for tongue and other oral ties.
15. Describe clinical circumstances where procedural intervention for ankyloglossia may be indicated.
16. Describe the Cytomegalovirus (CMV) screening process as it relates to the newborn hearing screening process.
17. Describe CMV protocol and recommendations of the Nationwide Children's Hospital Audiology Department.
18. Describe healthcare leadership.
19. Explain evolving healthcare landscape and explain how to manage the unexpected.

Time Ordered Agenda:

These sessions will be conducted in person and live streamed one time for virtual participants.

Start Time	End Time	Duration	Topic
7:45 am	8:00 am		Conference breakfast and check in*
8:00 am	8:20 am		Introduction* <i>Charles Elmaraghy, MD</i>
8:20 am	8:40 am		State of the Art in Airway Regeneration* <i>Tendy Chiang, MD</i>
8:40 am	9:00 am		Tongue Tie Talk*** <i>Ashley Miller, MD</i>
9:00 am	9:20 am		Pulmonary & ENT Collaborations* <i>Benjamin Kopp, MD</i>
9:20 am	9:30 am		Break*
9:30 am	10:10 am		FEES vs VSS Panel*** <i>Maleah Blake, SLP, Amy Manning, MD, Ashley Miller, MD, Prasanth Pattisapu, MD</i>
10:10 am	10:30 am		Expiratory muscle strength training (EMST)*** <i>Audrey Shifttlett, SLP, Paige Martin, SLP</i>
10:30 am	10:50 am		Active Transcutaneous Bone Conduction Outcomes** (Bonebridge, Osia, Sentio) <i>Ursula Findlen, PhD</i>
10:50 am	11:05 am		Break*
11:05 am	11:45 am		Keynote – Healthcare Leadership ** <i>Rahul Shah, MD</i>
11:45 am	12:30 pm		Lunch/opportunity to network*
12:30 pm	1:15 pm		Tracheal Pursuit – an Interactive Review of presented material** <i>Mary Coles, MSN, Brianna Manley, BSN, RN, CPN, Haley Ellett, MSN, CPNP-PC, Andrea Gates, BSN, RN, CPN</i>
1:15 pm	2:15 pm		Quick Shot Presentations**

			<i>Zarah Belacic, Samra Buchanan, Olivia Chan, Divya Chanda, Yasmeen Fleifill, Kelly Giroux, Shiraz Hijazi, Nathaniel Hochuli, Zheng Hong Tan, Kangrui Li, Natalie Quinn, Josh Sobecks, Mason Williams.</i>
2:15 pm	2:25 pm		Break*
2:25 pm	2:45 pm		Newborn cCMV Testing** <i>Chloe Vaughan, AuD</i>
2:45 pm	3:05 pm		Hearing Program Language Quality Improvement (QI)** <i>Lauren Yoshihiro, MA, CCC-SLP, Lauren Wills, MA, CCC-SLP</i>
3:05 pm	3:25 pm		Thickened liquids workshop/talk*** <i>Maleah Blake, SLP, Melanie Stevens, SLP, Amy Manning, MD, Ashley Miller, MD, Prasanth Pattisapu, MD, Patty Williams, SLP, Hailey Blosser, SLP</i>
3:25 pm	3:30 pm		Closing Remarks* Tendy Chiang, MD

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