



## Fetal-Maternal Center

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## When Pregnancies Need Extra-Special Care

The Fetal-Maternal Center at Children's Hospital Los Angeles helps hundreds of mothers each year whose unborn babies are at risk for life-threatening health conditions.

The Center pairs doctors from Keck Medicine of USC with specialists at Children's L.A. to provide the best possible care for mothers and babies. Our team works with your obstetrician and your delivery hospital to provide effective, efficient treatment by coordinating care with:

- Experts from USC who partner with your doctor
- Award-winning pediatric specialists at Children's Hospital Los Angeles
- Your own care manager



## Leadership

**David Miller, MD**, is the Medical Director for the Fetal-Maternal Center. An expert in perinatology, obstetrics and gynecology, Dr. Miller is nationally recognized in maternal-fetal medicine and for

his expertise in prenatal diagnosis. He is Board-certified in obstetrics, gynecology and maternal-fetal medicine, and has worked for many years to better understand how to diagnose children's health problems before birth. Dr. Miller is Professor of Clinical Obstetrics and Gynecology in the Department of Pediatrics at the Keck School of Medicine of USC. He helped to establish national guidelines for fetal monitoring and has written textbooks to help train medical experts.

## Care Management

Our Center gives each mother a dedicated registered nurse care manager, who coordinates care every step of the way. No matter where a mother decides to deliver her baby, the care manager focuses on her health and the health of her baby. If the baby needs specialized care after birth, the care manager works with the mother's health care team to plan care, including transferring the baby to Children's L.A. when necessary.

## The First Hour of Life

For the most high-risk pregnancies, the baby's first hour of life after birth is critical. Having the right specialists ready and available can make a big difference in the baby's future health. Our Center carefully plans and coordinates care of the first hour after the baby's birth to avoid unnecessary problems.



## Neonatal Care

Many families arrange to have their newborn cared for in one of Children's L.A.'s specialized units at its Sunset campus in Hollywood. Infants may be treated in the Steven & Alexandra Cohen Foundation Newborn and Infant Critical Care Unit (NICCU). As a Level IV neonatal intensive care unit, the NICCU provides the highest level of care possible and access to world-class specialists who treat the area's most fragile patients. For babies born with heart defects, the hospital's Heart Institute offers a leading-edge Cardiothoracic Intensive Care Unit and Cardiovascular Acute Unit, which care for patients with some of the most complex conditions. Care managers will work with mothers and their doctors to support the needs of babies, from pregnancy to newborn care.

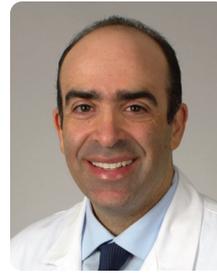
Neonatologists from the Children's Hospital Los Angeles Medical Group also care for infants in neonatal intensive care units at community hospitals throughout the Greater Los Angeles area, including:

- Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center (Hollywood)
- Providence Tarzana Medical Center (Tarzana)
- Providence Saint John's Health Center (Santa Monica)

## A Unique Center

Only a few centers in the nation have the wealth of experts you will find in our Center. Our team includes:

- Heart and heart surgery experts
  - Cardiologists
  - Cardiothoracic surgeons
- Pregnancy and newborn experts
  - Neonatologists
  - Obstetricians
  - Perinatologists
  - Fetoscopic surgeons
- Brain experts
  - Neurologists
  - Neurosurgeons
- Psychology counselors
- Craniofacial surgeons
- Endocrinologists
- Epidemiologists
- Geneticists
- Infectious disease specialists
- Nurses and nurse care managers
- Orthopaedic surgeons
- Otolaryngologists (ear, nose and throat)
- General surgeons
- Radiologists
- Teratologists
- Urologists



## Prenatal Interventions

Minimally invasive procedures can reduce the effects of some health conditions detected in the womb.

**Ramen Chmait, MD**, specializes in minimally invasive fetal surgery and treats many conditions, such

as twin issues and problems with the fetal chest or urinary tract. He has written many publications about fetal surgery, including more than 100 published peer-reviewed journal articles. Dr. Chmait's current focus of work is the fetoscopic repair of spina bifida.

## Evidence-Based Care

Children's L.A. is home to The Saban Research Institute, one of the nation's largest and most productive pediatric research facilities devoted to children. As a result, our Center provides care shaped by the latest research from some of the nation's best medical education centers.

### Types of conditions treated in our Center include:

- Neurological (brain and nervous system)
- Craniofacial (cleft lip and palate)
- Otolaryngological (ear, nose and throat)
- Vision
- Genetics
- Heart
- Neurosurgical
- Orthopaedic
- Surgical
- Urological



**We have many locations in the  
Los Angeles area to serve you.**

**Main Office:**

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**We also care for patients at USC-affiliated  
Maternal-Fetal Medicine office locations:**

**Grand Office**

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