



# HEART - to - HEART

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## Heart Center Happenings

Wayne Franklin, MD, Joins Phoenix Children's



Phoenix Children's is proud to welcome Wayne Franklin, MD, as Co-Director of our Heart Center, Director of Adult Congenital Heart Disease and Chair of Adult Medicine. Dr. Franklin comes to us from Texas Children's Hospital, the top-ranked heart center for pediatric cardiology and pediatric heart surgery by *US News & World Report*. Get to know Dr. Franklin by clicking the video above or read his bio with the button below.

[Get to know Dr. Franklin](#)

Dr. Franklin was also featured in the Phoenix Business Journal and Phoenix Magazine! Needless to say, we're very excited he found a new home at Phoenix Children's! Check out the publications below.

**WELCOME, DR. WAYNE FRANKLIN**

Phoenix Children's Heart Center, recently ranked #9 in the country by *US News & World Report*, is continuing its rise to the top by welcoming nationally and internationally renowned cardiologist Wayne Franklin, MD. Dr. Franklin, who joins us from Texas Children's Hospital/Baylor College of Medicine, has been named Co-Director of the Phoenix Children's Heart Center, Director of the Adult Congenital Heart Disease Program and Chair of Adult Medicine.

His appointment elevates our Adult Congenital Heart Program to the next level in terms of quality and caliber. It also solidifies our commitment to building a world-class cardiac program and recruiting the most talented academic physicians and leaders in the country to deliver care for patients and families of Arizona, the Southwest, and beyond. We are honored to welcome Dr. Franklin to Phoenix Children's!

**BEST CHILDREN'S HOSPITALS**  
2016-19

For more information, visit [phoenixchildrens.org](http://phoenixchildrens.org)

**BEST CHILDREN'S HOSPITALS**  
*US NEWS & WORLD REPORT*  
CARDIOLOGY & HEART SURGERY  
2016-19

**Congenital heart disease doesn't just go away at 18 years old.**

**PHOENIX CHILDREN'S**  
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For more information or an appointment, call 602-933-3366

## We Ranked #9 in the Country by US News & World Report

Over the past few years, our Heart Center has started to rise in the *US News & World Report* rankings. This year, we rose all the way to #9!



[See how we stacked up](#)

## Here we Grow Again!

Curious to know how the additional construction of our CVICU and remodel of our Tucson office are coming?



[Tell me more](#)

## CRS Cardiology Care

Dear CRS cardiology families,

We have heard some questions regarding whether children enrolled in the CRS program will be able to continue to receive cardiology care at Phoenix Children's after October 1, 2018 if their child's AHCCCS Complete Care (ACC) Plan is not in network with Phoenix Children's. Phoenix

Children's is an in-network provider with five of the seven ACC plans, including Care 1st, Steward Health Choice Arizona, Banner University Family Care, Mercy Care, and UnitedHealthcare Community Plan. We continue to work with the other ACC plans to have our care and facilities in-network with those plans as well.

If Phoenix Children's is not in network with a child's ACC plan and the child clinically needs to come to Phoenix Children's to receive cardiology care after October 1, 2018, we can contact the ACC plan to request a pre-authorization for any needed services. As part of the pre-authorization process, Phoenix Children's providers will provide information to the ACC plan substantiating the clinical necessity of the child receiving care from a Phoenix Children's provider. If the pre-authorization request is approved by the plan, care at Phoenix Children's will be covered by the ACC plan.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at 602-933-KIDS (5437) with any questions.

Thank you,

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## Awards and Achievements

### Three Stars for Five Years Running

We're proud to have once again achieved a 3-star designation by the Society of Thoracic Surgeons, the highest possible ranking!

[What does this mean?](#)

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### Roy Jedeiken, MD, Honored as a Healthcare Hero

Congratulations to Roy, Jedeiken, MD, who was recently honored by the *Phoenix Business Journal* as a 2018 Healthcare Hero!

[Read the feature story](#)

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## Faces of Phoenix: Pediatric Heart Care

Our Heart Center was recently featured in Phoenix Magazine's Faces of Phoenix issue, where we were recognized as the Faces of Pediatric Cardiac Care!



"We call these amazing folks, 'the heart of Phoenix Children's.' A comprehensive, multidisciplinary team comprised of administrative and clinical leaders, subspecialty-trained clinicians dedicated to providing 24/7/365 evidenced-based, family-centered care in the treatment of the simple to the most complex heart conditions for the patients of greater Arizona and beyond."

## In Case you Missed it

### Jayken's Heart Transplant Story

We are extremely proud of our pediatric heart transplant program. Since its inception in 2011, we've completed 80 transplants. We were allowed to follow one of those transplants from start to finish to show you the reality of one family's journey.



The outpouring of support for this video was incredible. Nearly 65,000 views, nearly 1,000

reactions, nearly 1,000 shares, and more than 130 comments.

[See for yourself](#)

## Gabriel – Youngest Total Artificial Heart Recipient in the US

Gabriel, 10, is the youngest in the US to ever to receive a 500cc Total Artificial Heart and our local CBS station came to share Gabriel's story. One week after his story aired

on CBS 5 at the end of June, a NEW donor heart became available, and he's already living with it!



[Take a look](#)

## Patient Spotlight

### Meet Anjela: She's Winning Against Hypertension

Meet Anjela. At just 4-years-old, she was diagnosed with asthma and a number of different food allergies, resulting in the swelling of her lungs and causing her pain and difficulty breathing.



[Read Anjela's story](#)

# Meet the Newest Members of our Team

In addition to Dr. Wayne Franklin joining our team, we have several other new additions we're excited to bring on board!

Please join us in welcoming:

- Josh Koch, MD, Division Chief, CVICU
- Nicholas Huggins, MD, Cardiac Intensivist
- Kevin Engelhardt, MD, Cardiac Intensivist
- Javier Gentile, MD, CV Surgeon
- Mohamad Alaeddine, MD, CV Surgeon

[Read their bios](#)

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## Upcoming Events

### Phoenix Children's Annual State of the Heart Center Town Hall

Phoenix Children's State of the Heart Center Town Hall  
Wednesday, October 24, 2018  
6-8 p.m.  
Phoenix Children's Hospital Cafeteria Patio

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### Adult Congenital Heart Association's Heart Walk

Sunday, Nov. 4  
9 a.m. - Registration  
10 a.m. - Walk kick-off  
Tempe Diablo Stadium

[RSVP](#)

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## Family Advisory Spotlight

*This section spotlights our Heart Center Family Advisory Council, a group of selected family members*

*dedicated to improving Phoenix Children's.*

This month, we have a special message from our Heart Center Chairs, Carie Semenko and Kisori Coulson.

[Read more](#)



## Join us in Tucson

Want to join Congenital Heart Defect Families of Tucson? We bridge the gap in quality of care for CHD Families by empowering parents with the tools to advocate on behalf of their child. Contact co-founders, Stacy Lipinczyk (director of operations) at [Stacy@chdtucson.org](mailto:Stacy@chdtucson.org) or Melissa Nail (creative director) at [MelissaNail@chdtucson.org](mailto:MelissaNail@chdtucson.org), or visit us at [www.chdtucson.org](http://www.chdtucson.org).

## About Heart-to-Heart

*Our official, quarterly e-newsletter is a partnership between the Phoenix Children's Heart Center and the Heart Center Family Advisory Council (HCFAC).*

*This newsletter offers the most up-to-date news from both groups.*

***Do you have a topic suggestion or question? [Contact us!](#)***

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*For care related questions, please contact your provider.*



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