

New home for Tulane pediatrics

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Dr. Samir El-Dahr, chair of the Department of Pediatrics, introduces patient Cody Castille to the new pediatrics clinic at Tulane Lakeside Hospital. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

Tulane Health System has transformed its Metairie, Louisiana, hospital into a specialized center to serve the healthcare needs of women and children.

Effective Tuesday (Dec. 16), all Tulane pediatric services relocated from Tulane Medical Center in downtown New Orleans to the renamed Tulane Lakeside Hospital for Women and Children, 4700 S. I-10 Service Road West in Metairie.

The move brings together all of the women's and children's services at one location, making it the only specialized women's and children's healthcare facility in Jefferson Parish and the greater New Orleans area, said Dr. William Lunn, CEO of Tulane Health System, and Dr. Lee Hamm, dean of the Tulane University [School of Medicine](#).

In addition to offering a full continuum of 24 pediatric specialties, Tulane Lakeside is equipped with pediatric inpatient, intensive care, neonatal intensive care and oncology units, as well as a full-service pediatric emergency room.

Lunn said that Lakeside Hospital has a long history of offering women's healthcare services in Jefferson Parish.

"We are proud to offer a wider breadth of services for children at our convenient location in Metairie – so much closer to the homes and schools of our patients," Lunn said.

The emergency room is staffed with board-certified pediatric emergency physicians with ER wait times available [online](#).

The facility recently added a child-friendly, low-dose CT scanner, MRI, pediatric endoscopy, pulmonary lab and neurodiagnostics.

Pediatric outpatient clinics also moved to the Lakeside campus in Metairie on Dec. 16.

[Tulane Lakeside Hospital for Women and Children](#) is part of Tulane Health System, an acclaimed teaching, research and medical system serving the greater New Orleans area. It is a partnership jointly owned by HCA and Tulane University.

Tulane has more than 500 credentialed physicians who provide leading-edge care.

"Our pediatric move marks a new beginning for Tulane Lakeside Hospital for Women and Children." — Dr. William Lunn, CEO, Tulane Health System