Division of Pediatric Surgery Expands Research Focus

A major focus of the newly expanded Division of Pediatric Surgery is the development of clinical and basic science research programs. Our focus is on clinical outcomes research, trauma care, basic science as it relates to obesity, the study of transitional care from pediatric to adult surgery, and surgical services Quality Improvement at Women & Children’s Hospital of Buffalo (WCHOB). The past month has seen the publication and acceptance of multiple manuscripts in peer-reviewed journals, and posters and presentations at national meetings.

We are pleased to introduce Rebekah G. Thomas, Ed.M as our Clinical Research Coordinator, and R. Michael Dorman, MD, as our Clinical Research Fellow. In addition, we have several UB medical students and general surgery residents engaged in research projects and look forward to hosting a few medical students for summer research internships. We look forward to collaboration with colleagues at WCHOB and across the UB and Kaleida campuses.

Some of the academic productivity highlights include:

**Publications**

- Rothstein DH. Pediatric surgical critical care fellowship experience and career paths: Results of a survey of program graduates. J Pediatr Surg 2015, accepted for publication.
- Rothstein DH, Li V. Transitional care in the pediatric neurosurgical patient. Sem Pediatr Surgery 2015, accepted for publication.

**Presentations**

- Trudeau MO, ..., Rothstein DH. Pediatric surgical care in the humanitarian setting: The Medecins Sans Frontieres experience in 2012-2013APSA, Fort Lauderdale, May 1, 2015.

**Posters**

- Rothstein DH. Hospital Utilization Patterns in U.S. Pediatric Patients with Skull Fractures. Pediatric Academic Society, Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, April 28, 2015