

# CHOC Mission:

## WORLD-CLASS CHILDREN'S CARE

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*Celebrating 20 years! Bringing bright futures to South Orange County.*



**Dr. Gary Goodman**  
Medical Director, Pediatric Intensive Care Unit

**Dr. Goodman** specializes in pediatric critical care with expertise in the treatment of shock, RSV and traumatic brain injury. He served his fellowship at CHOC and completed both his residency and internship at UC Davis Medical Center.

Dr. Goodman's philosophy of care: "I take great interest in making sure my patients and their families understand what we're going to do [to make them better] and why."

**EDUCATION:**  
University of California, Irvine Medical School

**BOARD CERTIFICATIONS:**  
Pediatrics, Pediatric Critical Care Medicine

### A SPECIAL PLACE

"CHOC Children's at Mission Hospital is a unique little hospital," says Dr. Goodman. Small in size, but big on comprehensive services for newborns to teenagers, it's the only dedicated pediatric hospital in South Orange County. Housed on the fifth floor of Mission Hospital, CHOC's world-class team treats everything from asthma attacks to injuries resulting from serious accidents.

### FAMILY FIRST

CHOC Children's at Mission Hospital takes care of the whole family. Through its family-centered care approach to treatment and recovery, CHOC tends to the emotional and practical needs of caregivers so they can focus on their child feeling better. "We want to make them as comfortable as they can be for as long as they want to stay," explains Dr. Goodman. Several amenities are offered to the families including the Ronald McDonald House Family room which includes computers, areas for resting and kitchenette.



### UNITS OF CARE

In addition to its medical/surgical "unit," the hospital has Neonatal and Pediatric Intensive Care Units. CHOC's neonatal team treats Orange County's littlest residents. The Pediatric ICU offers high-level care for children who suffer from critical illness or injuries such as an auto accident or near drowning.

### HOW DOES CHOC CHILDREN'S AT MISSION HELP KIDS FEEL BETTER?

"Hospitals can be a scary place for children," says Dr. Goodman. From the colors on the walls to its commitment to respecting cultural backgrounds, CHOC Children's at Mission Hospital's child life specialists help children cope by providing:

- › Books and video games
- › Dolls to explain medical treatments
- › Activities to help distract kids from painful procedures

**1 Million**  
POPULATION SERVED BY HOSPITAL

**54** TOTAL BEDS AT CHOC CHILDREN'S AT MISSION HOSPITAL

**2,400**  
PATIENTS TREATED YEARLY



Experts in: **Family-Centered Care**



# Celebrating 20 years of brighter futures in South Orange County

For 20 years, our world-class physicians and nurses have been providing compassionate, innovative care to infants, children and teenagers in South Orange County. From performing appendectomies to caring for kids with serious traumatic brain injuries, our health care professionals are committed to helping children and their families focus on what matters most to them: enjoying life ... together.

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