

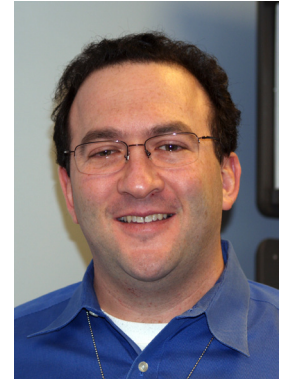
James Geller, MD – Leading the Charge to Improve Treatments for Pediatric Liver Cancer

At the forefront of liver cancer research is CBDI physician, Dr. James Geller, Medical Director of our Liver, Renal and Retinoblastoma programs.

Dr. Geller chairs clinical trials of treatments for liver cancer, as well as trials for kidney cancer and retinoblastoma, and is an active member of the national Children's Oncology Group Liver Tumor Committee.

Thanks to the generosity of our patients and their families, Dr. Geller, along with Dr. Greg Tiao, Division of Surgery, has been able to participate in the formation of a liver tumor bank. Samples in the tumor bank are being used to study the genetics of pediatric cancer. The tumor bank has allowed Dr. Geller and his CCHMC colleagues to expand their research on an important molecule, c-MET, which is found in high levels in most hepatoblastomas.

Dr. Geller is also leading oncologists, and Dr. Tiao, leading surgeons, on behalf of the Children's Oncology Group to develop the first global group study of pediatric liver cancer. This study will measure the effectiveness of cancer treatments on infants, children, and adolescents with hepatoblastoma and hepatocellular carcinoma.



To learn more about the cancer program, cancer research at Cincinnati Children's, or to make a contribution, please contact John Perentesis, MD, Director of the Division of Oncology, at (513) 636-8241 or cancer@cchmc.org

Mitch's Mission Has a Playdate with the Bearcats to Benefit CBDI – Come Join the Fun!



Mitch and Bearcats

The University of Cincinnati Rec Center will be bustling with activity on Sunday, Feb. 10 from 2 to 5 PM when Mitch's Mission hosts its third "Playdate with the Bearcats."

This family-fun event features a chance to interact with UC athletes. Playdate participants have access to the beautiful UC Rec Center, including swimming in the lazy river, rock-climbing and basketball. There will be carnival games, face-painting, and other activities for younger kids. The afternoon also includes music, food and a raffle of UC sports items.

The cost is \$15 per person or \$50 per family. All proceeds will be used to send children from the CBDI to summer camp. Tickets are available at the door or online in advance. Visit www.mitchsmision.com for tickets and parking information. Join us for the fun!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Dragonfly Gala Fundraiser February 16, 7-11 PM, Marriott Northeast, Mason

A fun night of live music, dinner, dancing and casino entertainment with special guests, TV personalities Marty Brennaman and Sheree Paoello. Proceeds support Dragonfly's free services to CBDI patients and families.

For more information, go to www.thedragonflyfoundation.org.

Events and activities on A5

Friday, January 25

Munch and Mingle

All CDBI parents and caregivers welcome

12:00 - 1:30 PM in Parent Lounge near Elevators on A5

Contact: Your Social Worker

Dessert and Coffee

Courtesy of Max's Meals

All CDBI parents and caregivers welcome

7:00 - 9:00 PM in Parent Lounge near Elevators on A5

Contact: Your Social Worker

Friday, February 1

Let's Chat

For BMT parents and caregivers

2:00 - 3:00 PM in the A5 North Parent Room

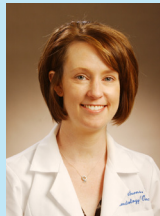
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Child Life Activities

As a precaution during flu season, the activity center will have limited hours. Parents can get movies or activities for their children from 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM and 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM daily. Specialists can also bring activities to patients at any time. Contact your child life specialist for more information.

Attending Physicians

Monday, January 21 to Sunday, February 3



Karen Burns, MD
Leuk/Lymph/Vascular
Attending Physician



Trent Hummel, MD
Solid Tumor/Neuro-Onc
Attending Physician

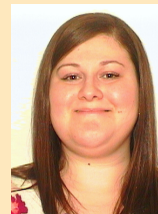


Michael Absalon, MD
Leuk/Lymph/Vascular
Attending Physician



Brian Turpin, DO
Solid Tumor/Neuro-Onc
Attending Physician

Clinical Hematology/Oncology Fellows



Nihal Bakeer, MD
Fellow



Andrew Bukowinski, MD
Fellow



Satheesh Chonat, MD
Fellow



Samantha Michaels, MD
Fellow



Ahmad Rayes, MD
Fellow

International Scholar



Karen Zhu, MD, PhD
Children's Hospital
Fudan University Shanghai, China

Complimentary Breakfast for all families available weekdays 8:00 - 9:00 AM in the Parent Lounge, A5S. Please help yourself. Provided by the Katie Linz Foundation.

DAILY ROUNDS

8:15 - 9:00 AM

9:00 - 11:00 AM

Chemotherapy Rounds for scheduled chemotherapy admissions
Acute Rounds for new and ill patients