

Nemours Children's Health Hires Pediatric Orthopedic Surgeon Dr. Joseph G. Khoury

Orlando, Fla. (April 4, 2022) – Nemours Children's Health has announced a new addition to its renowned pediatric orthopedic surgeon roster, Joseph G. Khoury, MD. Dr. Khoury was previously with Shriners Children's Florida, which is closing after 35 years in the Tampa Bay area. At Shriners Children's, Dr. Khoury served as medical director for the Motion Analysis Center.

Beginning in April, Dr. Khoury will be treating patients with cerebral palsy, hip, foot/ankle, spine and general orthopedic problems at Lakeland Regional Hospital, a partner with Nemours for pediatrics, as well as at Nemours Children's Hospital, Florida. In Lakeland, Nemours is adding new doctors and physicians assistants to treat orthopedic pediatric patients.

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In Alabama for 10 years before moving to Florida, Dr. Khoury originally followed advice from his father, a radiologist, about studying medicine. He earned his medical degree from the University of Iowa, his native state, and completed postdoctoral training at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics for a residency, and a fellowship at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Dr. Khoury had been with Shriner's for five years. He is board certified with the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery.

"Children are fun to take care of because their motivations are pure," said Dr. Khoury. "Kids want to get back to play and have fun." Dr. Khoury is relocating to Lakeland with his wife and doodles Clark and Sarge. They have two children of college age. An avid outdoorsman, Khoury originally considered studying forestry. He looks forward to spending time exploring the natural beauty of the Lakeland area.

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Nemours Children's Health is one of the nation's largest multistate pediatric health systems, including two free-standing children's hospitals and a network of nearly 75 primary and specialty care practices. Nemours Children's seeks to transform the health of children by adopting a holistic health model that utilizes innovative, safe, and high-quality care, while also caring for the health of the whole child beyond medicine. Nemours Children's also powers the world's most-visited website for information on the health of children and teens, KidsHealth.org.

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