



## Children's Health Council



The **Children's Health Council (CHC)** is a group of passionate families and individuals who dedicate philanthropic support to pediatric research, care and medical training. To join the CHC, members are asked to contribute to initiatives benefiting children's health across the institution. Since its inception in 2014, the Council has raised over \$23 million for pediatrics.

### Membership Opportunities

- Take part in guided laboratory tours, diving into **behind-the-scenes** conversations about new scientific discoveries and innovative therapeutics tailored for children.
- Witness the impact of seed funding empowering early-career investigators as they share their **groundbreaking discoveries firsthand** at CHC All-Member Meetings.
- **Attend Discovery Speaker Panels** where Weill Cornell Medicine pediatric physicians and researchers discuss timely children's health issues.
- Engage with a designated development officer for **guidance navigating the medical center**.
- Join a vibrant and expanding **community of philanthropists** dedicated to advancing medical research children's health.



**CHC members have given to a variety of areas in need of philanthropic support, including:** Allergy & Immunology • Cardiology • Child & Adolescent Psychiatry • Critical Care Medicine • Endocrinology • Gastroenterology • Hematology/Oncology • Infectious Diseases • Medical Genetic • Nephrology • Neurology • Newborn Medicine • Nutrition • Pulmunology.



# Children's Health Investigators Fund

The Children's Health Investigators Fund (CHIF) was established by the CHC to support emerging physician-scientists. These individuals are identified by Faculty Advisors who oversee the Department of Pediatrics, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and the Gale and Ira Drukier Institute for Children's Health. Examples of research conducted by CHIF recipients supported by the CHC:

- The development of early-intervention strategies to prevent asthma in high-risk children, based on a study illustrating how the presence of mice in city schools increases the prevalence of asthma symptoms.
- An app-based treatment for youth with depression and anxiety completed its first randomized study, aiming to provide high-quality and easily accessible cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) to children in need.



## Examples of the impact your gift could make:

### \$10,000 – Lab Essentials

This level of support could help purchase essential research supplies for faculty to conduct critical experiments and advance our understanding of pediatric health.

### \$25,000 – Vital Pediatric Biobanking

This funding range could enable investigators to collect and store samples for real-time and longitudinal studies, aiding the examination of various pediatric diseases, disorders, and treatments.

### \$50,000 – Early Research Seed Funding

This investment tier could offer researchers protected time for early-stage studies, generating proof-of-concept data to enhance competitiveness for larger-scale government funding.

### \$100,000 – Build the Pediatric Workforce

Committing to this kind of contribution could grant two years of training for a pediatric resident to become a physician-scientist and cultivate the next generation of leaders in the field of pediatrics.

## Join Us

A Children's Health Council membership nomination requires a minimum gift of \$10,000 toward children's health care, training and research. A gift of \$25,000 and above toward the same initiatives is required for a nomination to the Council's Executive Committee and involvement in CHC leadership opportunities.

For more information, please visit [give.weill.cornell.edu/chc](http://give.weill.cornell.edu/chc) or email [chc@med.cornell.edu](mailto:chc@med.cornell.edu)

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