The University of Arizona College of Medicine – Tucson

8th Annual Allen M. Kaplan Children's Neuroscience Grand Rounds Visiting Professor

Monday, November 23, 2026
7:00 – 8:00 AM
Mel Cohen Conference Center
1920 E. Cambridge Avenue l Phoenix, Arizona
Hot breakfast will be served

Medical Problems of the Musical Masters – at the Keyboard

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Professor of Neurology, Harvard Medical School
Music and Health Institute, Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA

Learning Objectives
At the conclusion of this activity, participants will be able to:

- Correlate the medical illnesses of the musical masters with their creative output.
- Coordinate the history of medicine and music through the lives of the musical masters.
- Apply neurohumanities to their study of medicine.



Phillip L. Pearl, M.D. is Director of Epilepsy and Clinical Neurophysiology at Boston Children's Hospital and William G. Lennox Chair and Professor of Neurology at Harvard Medical School. He attended Johns Hopkins University and the Peabody Conservatory of Music, and the University of Maryland School of Medicine. He took his residency at Texas Children's Hospital/Baylor College of Medicine and fellowship at Boston Children's Hospital/Harvard Medical School. He was Division Chief of Neurology at Children's National and Professor of Neurology, Pediatrics, and Music at the George Washington University School of Medicine until returning to Boston in January 2014. His major research interest is inherited metabolic epilepsies with specific focus on disorders of GABA metabolism. Dr. Pearl has published over 280 peer-reviewed manuscripts, over 160 chapters/reviews, and written or edited eight books, one of which is translated into Chinese and one into Japanese. Dr. Pearl is a member of the Music and Health Institute at the Berklee College of Music in Boston, Board Member of the International Child Neurology Association, and Past President of the Professors of Child Neurology and the Child Neurology Society.

Barrow at Phoenix Children's
Virtual Live Streaming Neuroscience Grand Rounds

Zoom Information: CNI Grand Rounds
Meeting ID: 993 7837 3233

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https://PhoenixChildrensHospital.zoom.us/j/99378373233?pwd=UXBudHZLemRYK056ZWZvMm8yUzNkUT09

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The Attendance code will be listed in the chat at the beginning of the presentation and every 20 minutes thereafter until the conclusion.

Please text the attendance code to the Grand Rounds Attendance number: (866) 327-3062 or log into the CAMS website: http://CME.arizona.edu and enter the attendance code.

- Please make sure to enter your cell phone number in your profile
- Please note that the attendance code is different each week

Attendance codes are only valid 15 minutes before the activity start time and for 24 hours after the activity end time.

Overall Activity Objectives:

1. Develop and refine strategies to diagnose, manage, and treat complex pediatric neurological conditions using the most current and evidence-based neurosurgical knowledge.
2. Identify and implement systems-based improvements in pediatric neurosurgery to reduce disparities in care, enhance safety, and promote equitable access to advanced diagnostic and treatment modalities.
3. Effectively counsel patients and families on both short-term and long-term prognoses, surgical and non-surgical treatment options, and potential outcomes for various pediatric neurosurgical conditions.
4. Apply the latest research findings and advanced clinical information to improve neurosurgical practices and optimize outcomes for pediatric patients.
5. Integrate cutting-edge neurosurgical techniques and interdisciplinary approaches to enhance the care and long-term outcomes of children with complex neurological disorders.

1 Incorporate new abilities and strategies to diagnose, manage and treat the complex neurological pediatric patient using the most relevant, up-to-date clinical information.
2 Analyze and apply the latest research, clinical data and American Board of Pediatrics (ABP) and American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology (ABPN) guidelines regarding various pediatric neuroscience disorders
3 Implement improvements in pediatric healthcare and safety issues for various pediatric neurological conditions so as to facilitate practice-based learning and systems-based practice.
4 Counsel patients and families on short-term and long-term prognoses and treatment options for a variety of neurological conditions in the pediatric population.
5 Translate knowledge into practice improvement with the goal of improving outcomes of patients with pediatric neurological and psychiatric disorders.
6 Improve patient care outcomes for children with complex neurological conditions by integrating up-to-date information and research to determine the best course of action.

Session Objectives:
1 Identify the clinical differences in pediatric neuroimmunological conditions.
2 Describe the breadth of diagnostic studies and treatment options in pediatric neuroimmunological conditions.

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Accreditation Statement:

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