

## Children's Hospital of Wisconsin Blood and Marrow Transplant



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**David Margolis, MD**, is the program director of Bone Marrow Transplant at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin and professor of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology/Blood and Marrow Transplant at the Medical College of Wisconsin. He was named to the 2014 Best Doctors® in America list, and his clinical expertise focuses on treatment of aplastic anemia, alternative donor transplant, bone marrow failure and immune suppressive treatments. Under Dr. Margolis' leadership, Children's Blood and Marrow Transplant Program is recognized worldwide for expertise in autologous transplants (using the patient's own stem cells) and allogeneic transplants (using stem cells from a donor).

### Why choose us?

- The Blood and Marrow Transplant Program at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin is one of the most respected and experienced pediatric programs in the United States. We partner with elite centers across the country to help patients overcome some of the most difficult types of cancer and blood disorders. Our proven translational research, clinical expertise and tradition of excellence allow us to deliver the most advanced medical treatments available so we can provide a blood or marrow transplant to any child who needs one.
- Our bone marrow transplant program was established nearly 40 years ago and has developed into one of the premier pediatric programs in the nation.



- We were pioneers in pediatric bone marrow transplantation and are one of only a select few centers that have been performing allogeneic transplants — which use blood stem cells from a donor — since the 1980s.
- We have one of the largest hematology, oncology and bone marrow transplant programs in the country that includes a multidisciplinary research staff of more than 30 faculty members.
- A charter member of the National Marrow Donor Program, we conduct 35 to 45 transplants a year and have completed more than 1,150 transplants to date.
- We are internationally recognized for expertise for both autologous and allogeneic transplantation. We have extensive experience with bone marrow, peripheral blood and cord blood transplants using matched, unrelated individuals and mismatched family members as donors.
- We accept high-risk patients referred to us from other physicians and hospitals from around the country.
- We use specialized methods to treat patients who relapse or do not respond well to the standard treatment plan, including reduced intensity transplant.
- Our MACC Fund Center Relapsed Leukemia Program, which combines oncology and BMT, offers data-based hope to patients with relapsed or refractory leukemia through participation in clinical trials for inducing leukemia remission. This partnership enables seamless transition to our BMT Program for transplant.
- We are committed to improving outcomes for patients worldwide by leading translational research in immunotherapy, including cellular and gene therapy, the biology of sickle cell disease, pain management, and patient-reported outcomes that include survivorship, late effects and quality of life.
- We partner with the BloodCenter of Wisconsin, a leader in tissue typing and histocompatibility testing, to assist in the donor selection process.
- Our program has met the rigorous accreditation standards of the Foundation for the Accreditation of Cellular Therapy since 2001.
- We are one of the largest and most successful programs in the United States that uses unrelated individuals or mismatched family members as donors.

Our Transplant Center is a joint effort of Children's Hospital of Wisconsin and Froedtert & The Medical College of Wisconsin with vital support by the BloodCenter of Wisconsin for tissue typing and research initiatives. Representing the most comprehensive pediatric and adult transplant care in Wisconsin, the program is recognized for nationally ranked outcomes, internationally known transplant specialists and end-stage disease management: a critical resource for Wisconsin and beyond.



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Diseases we treat include, but are not limited to:

- Acute lymphocytic leukemia
- Acute myeloid leukemia
- Severe aplastic anemia
- Primary immunodeficiencies
- Chronic myeloid leukemia
- Hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis
- Sickle cell anemia
- Thalassemia
- Lymphoma

## Clinical outcomes

Our commitment to quality, advancements in medical care and improvements in follow-up care allow us to achieve some of the best outcomes in the nation. For patients with acute lymphoblastic leukemia, survival rates for Children's patients are higher than the national average at 100 days, one year and three years after transplant.

## Family-centered care and survivor support

Our patients benefit from a private practice model housed within a renowned academic medical center. Our dedicated, multidisciplinary team includes physicians, specialists, skilled clinical nurses, pharmacists, dietitians, a child life specialist, a social worker and a child psychologist.

A transplant coordinator helps families navigate the entire process from the initial phone call to post-transplant and outpatient transition. Physician team members are personally involved in all aspects of care and treatment.

Our Next Steps Program is run by an experienced and compassionate team of specialists who offer guidance and support to survivors of childhood cancer and bone marrow transplant recipients and their families. They understand the physical and psychological issues, side

effects and adjustments survivors and their families go through after treatment. Team members include an oncologist, nurse practitioner, nurse educator, psychologist, social worker, registered dietitian, schoolteacher and physical therapist.

We offer other supportive services to help families cope and improve their overall experience with us. Services include an Access Center, Family Resource Center and child life services and therapies.

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## Providers

### Blood and Marrow Transplant Specialists

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