

Pediatric Hospital Medicine Fellows

2025-2026

Meet Our Current Pediatric Hospital Medicine Fellows



Basil Jafri, MD
Class of 2027

Hometown: Columbus, Ohio

Residency: Ohio State University, Pediatrics- Nationwide Children's Hospital

Clinical and Research Interests:

- Clinical Interests: Providing high quality, coordinated, multidisciplinary to hospitalized pediatric patients of every origin, socioeconomic class, ethnicity, gender identity and level of complexity.
- Research Interests: Improving resident communication and interpretation services use for patients/families with primary languages other than English.

Favorite Thing To Do In NYC: My wife and I love experiencing the arts and are looking forward to taking full advantage of the city's theaters, museums, and live performances. I'm also excited to get around on my bike and by public transit—my favorite ways to get to know a new place.

Favorite Restaurant in NYC: Outside the hospital, my wife and I are big eaters and love exploring new (and old, need that comfort food) cuisines—we can't wait to dive into NYC's unmatched food scene. I love my pour over coffee and can't wait to explore all the local roasters that I can sample!



Annum Jaffer, MD
Class of 2026

Hometown: Dallas, Texas

Residency: New York University, Pediatrics

Clinical and Research Interests:

- Monitoring and Evaluation Quality Improvement of global health programs in Pakistan
- Implementing and evaluating community-led and community-based programs in global health settings
- Implementing and evaluating training of community health workers.

Favorite Place in NYC: Any street in NYC at 8am where the sun is shining, birds are chirping, trees are tree-ing, and there are people walking around with some pep in their step.

Favorite Restaurant in NYC: Tyger - a Southeast Asian Restaurant in Soho.

Pediatric Hospital Medicine Fellowship Graduates

Izumi Watanabe, MD Class of 2025

Current Position: Pediatric Hospital Medicine Faculty, Elmhurst Hospital Center, Elmhurst, NY

Franklin Sylvester, MD Class of 2024

Current Position: Pediatric Hospital Medicine Faculty, Maimonides Medical Center

Yomna Farooqi, MD Class of 2023

Current Position: Pediatric Hospital Medicine Faculty, Children's Medical Center Dallas

Angie Buttigieg, MD Class of 2022

Current Position: Pediatric Hospital Medicine Faculty, Mount Sinai Kravis Children's Hospital

Emily Hertzberg, MD, MS Class of 2020

Current Position: Pediatric Hospital Medicine Faculty, Mount Sinai Kravis Children's Hospital