

# Heart Institute



**Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital<sup>®</sup>**  
Heart Institute

**Deacon, who  
had a heart  
condition**



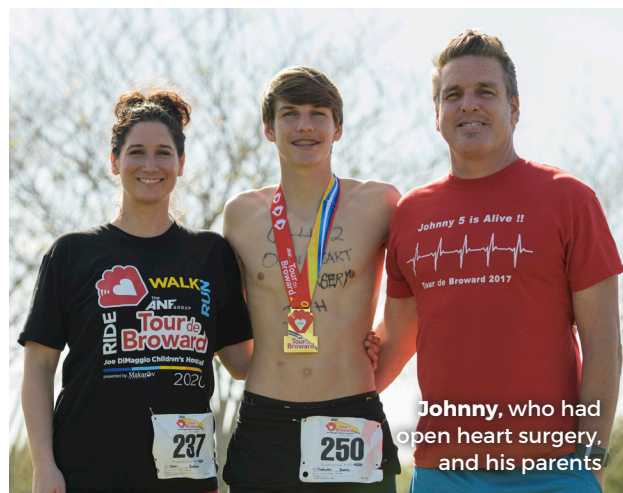
**A leader in pediatric cardiac care,** Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital Heart Institute is committed to providing comprehensive cardiac care to infants, children, adolescents and adults.

**We treat a variety of conditions including:**

- Arrhythmia
- Atrial septal defect (ASD)
- Atrioventricular canal defects
- Cardio-genetic disorders
- Cardiomyopathy
- Congenital heart defects
- Congenitally corrected transposition of the great vessels
- Fetal Cardiology
- Heart failure
- Hypoplastic left heart syndrome
- Interrupted aortic arch
- Marfan Syndrome
- Patent ductus arteriosus
- Patent foramen ovale (PFO)
- Pulmonary atresia
- Pulmonary hypertension
- Supraventricular tachycardia
- Tetralogy of Fallot
- Ventricular septal defect (VSD)

## Cardiology

Our team of pediatric cardiologists has the expertise to diagnose and treat any heart problem in fetuses, infants, children and adolescents. We provide a full spectrum of care for complex or rare, present-at-birth or acquired heart conditions, including arrhythmia, cardiomyopathy, congenital heart disease or defects, pulmonary valve disease, as well as fetal cardiac diagnosis and management. If a child needs additional specialized care such as surgery, interventional cardiology or EP, our pediatric cardiologists and cardiac surgeons collaborate to provide comprehensive care.



Johnny, who had open heart surgery, and his parents

## Comprehensive Surgical Treatment

The Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery Program at the Heart Institute has a long-standing reputation for clinical excellence and patient safety. Our team has successfully treated patients as young as one day old using sophisticated surgical techniques with outstanding outcomes.

## Electrophysiology

Our busy electrophysiology program specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of cardiac rhythm disturbances and heart arrhythmias in pediatric patients. Innovative, sophisticated technology is used to pinpoint the origin or the pathway of spread of an arrhythmia. Focused techniques can then be used to treat or prevent those arrhythmias without the use of medication.

MORE THAN



**1,417** Cardiac ablations

have been performed to date with **outstanding outcomes**

(As of February 2024)

## Cardiac Catheterization and Interventional Procedures

Interventional cardiac catheterization has transformed the field of congenital cardiology by giving cardiac physicians the ability to treat certain types of heart problems in a minimally invasive manner.

The Interventional Catheterization Program embraces both surgical and interventional approaches and uses aspects of both types of procedures when formulating the best long-term plan for a patient.

Since 2009, we have performed more than

**6,392 Total**  
Catheterizations

*(As of February 2024)*

**1,417**  
EPStudies

## Diagnostic Cardiac Imaging

Cardiac imaging is essential for the accurate diagnosis of congenital cardiac malformations from fetal life to young and older adults with congenital heart disease. Our comprehensive cardiac imaging program includes all modalities of echocardiography (transthoracic, transesophageal, intracardiac, and intravenous ultrasound), cardiac computed tomography (CT) and cardiac magnetic resonance imaging (CMRI). This comprehensive approach gives us the flexibility to fulfill the imaging requirements of each patient individually, based on their particular characteristics and needs.



Amelia, who had a heart condition

## Fetal Cardiac

Some cardiac conditions are detectable before birth. Expectant mothers may be referred to us if an ultrasound indicates a potential abnormality with the fetus' heart.

Using fetal echocardiography to evaluate the heart while in the womb, sound waves produce a detailed image and reveal blood flow, heart rhythm and heart structure. We diagnose many congenital heart conditions this way.

With a congenital heart condition, a coordinated care plan for delivery and immediately after is important. Our L&D and pediatric cardiology teams work closely with referring physicians, patients and families to determine what treatment the baby may need after delivery.

And because we offer both pediatric and adult congenital heart disease care, patients can get the continuous, specialized care they need for life.

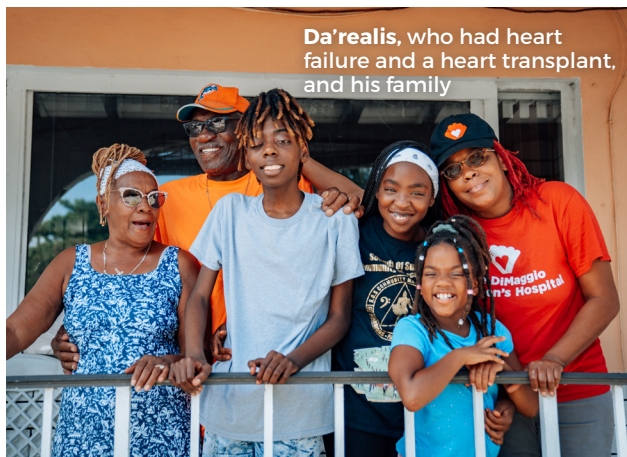
## Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathy

Cardiomyopathy, an abnormality or weakening of the heart muscle often associated with inadequate cardiac output, is a serious condition that can lead to arrhythmia, heart valve problems and heart failure.

Our Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathy programs serve the needs of children with primary and acquired diseases of the heart muscle and when heart output is insufficient to meet the body's needs. We work closely with our Genetics and Metabolism team to evaluate for underlying genetic syndromes or disorders that can potentially be controlled or improved. Once a particular syndrome is recognized, it's often possible to provide important prognostic information to help families better understand the overall impact of their child's condition.

The Mechanical Circulatory Support Program works closely with our surgical and cardiac intensive care teams to offer advanced cardiac support for patients with low heart output. Ventricular assist device (VAD) placement is sometimes required to support a child during the evaluation period or until a suitable heart can be identified for transplantation.

Our programs provide advanced diagnosis and management of all aspects of cardiomyopathy and heart failure in infants, children and adolescents. We are the only Pediatric Cardiomyopathy Program in South Florida accredited by The Children's Cardiomyopathy Foundation.



Da'realis, who had heart failure and a heart transplant, and his family



Isabelle, who had a heart transplant, and her family

## Heart Transplantation

The Heart Transplant Program at Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital began serving South Florida in December 2010; since then, 83 children have received heart transplant services. To date, we have 100% one year and three year post transplant survival for our pediatric patients, which surpasses most national programs. Our uniquely talented team of physicians, surgeons, nurses and nurse practitioners take special care of each child.

**83** transplants\*  
successfully performed  
since program launch in 2010  
*(As of February 2024)*

## Cardiac Intensive Care

Before and after surgery, young cardiac patients stay in a dedicated pediatric cardiac intensive care unit, where they are monitored around the clock by a board-certified team of cardiac professionals. Parents are encouraged to stay with their children at the bedside and to participate in the daily multidisciplinary rounds.



## Subspecialty Programs and Clinics

- 22q Multidisciplinary Clinic
- Marfan's Syndrome Clinic
- Single Ventricle Program
- Coronary Valve Clinic
- BPD Clinic
- Neuromuscular Program
- Cardiopulmonary Exercise Stress Test / Metabolic Testing

## Adolescent and Adult Congenital Cardiac Care

As children with congenital heart defects enter adolescence and later adulthood, it's important their cardiac care continues to be overseen by specialists in congenital cardiac conditions who can address their specific medical needs.

The Adult Congenital Heart Disease Program, through its affiliation with Memorial Cardiac and Vascular Institute, provides diagnosis, treatment, management, comprehensive consultation, and psychosocial support for patients and their families. Care is coordinated with the patient's primary physician and referrals to all necessary subspecialists are available for consultation of non-cardiac related concerns.



## More than Clinical Services

Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital opened in 1992 and has grown to be the premier destination for children in need of these services in South Florida, including the Gulf Coast.

With 226 beds, an 84-bed Level IV NICU, 26-bed PICU and 20-bed intermediate care unit, Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital combines leading-edge clinical excellence with a patient- and family-centered care environment. Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital staff offers a comprehensive range of healthcare services including pediatric psychology, social work, Child Life, and all the medical subspecialties.

Parents and families can stay at the Conine Clubhouse, a short- and medium-stay residence right next door.



## KidCierge™

We know your time is valuable. That's why the Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital KidCierge™ team helps families and referring physicians with appointments, guest services, hospital and area resources, extended stays and more.

### Our convenient services include:

- A single point of contact to schedule multiple appointments
- An appointment itinerary for the day
- A patient navigator to answer any questions and receive medical records in advance
- An escort directing families to appointments if requested
- Information about hospital and area resources
- Assistance with securing local accommodations, and more

Let us take care of the details so you can focus on what matters most. Contact our KidCierge navigator by calling **954-743-7383**.

## Important Contact Information

Heart Institute: **954-265-3437**  
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**JDCHKidCierge.com**

## Meet Our Doctors

Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital Heart Institute is staffed by internationally renowned cardiac experts who have been carefully selected to be a part of our award-winning team. Our pediatric and congenital cardiac surgeons, pediatric cardiologists and interventionalists provide a complete spectrum of heart care for patients still in utero to adulthood.

### Heart Institute Leadership



**Thomas Forbes, MD**  
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**Frank G. Scholl, MD**  
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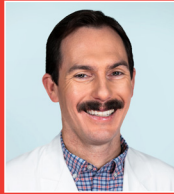


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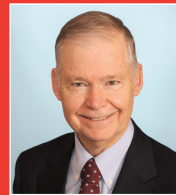
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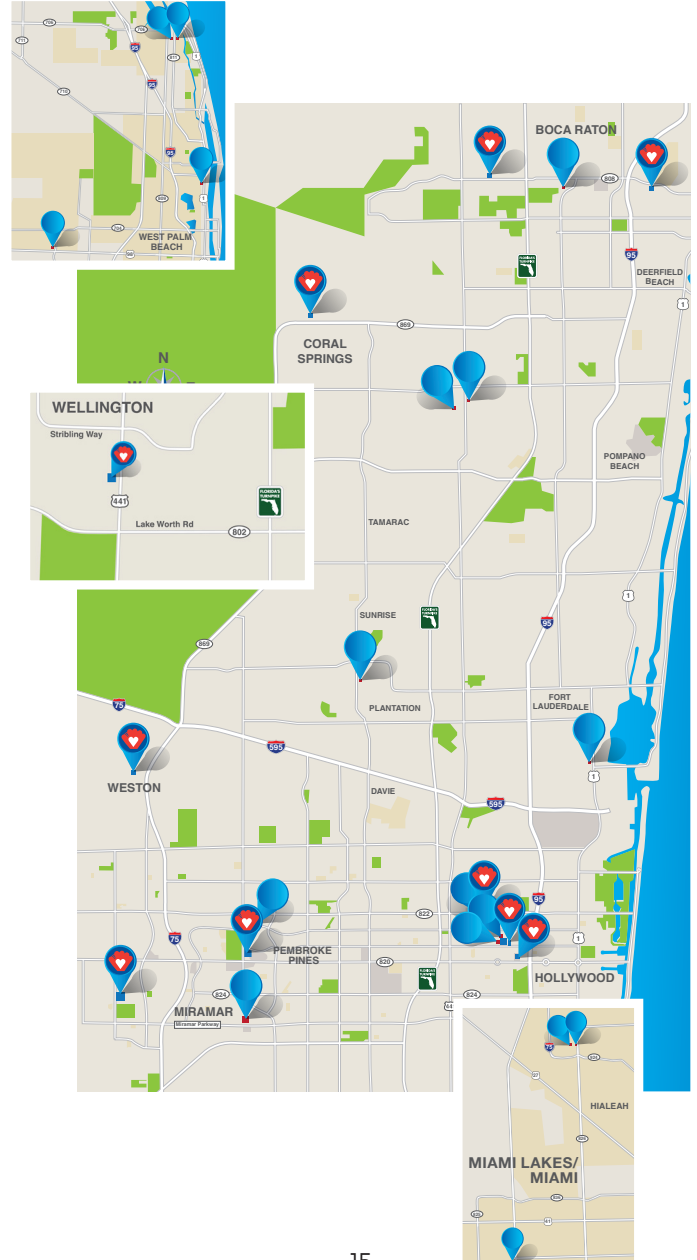
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## Our Locations





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