

## The Central Michigan University/University Pediatrics Clinical Research Institute (CRI): Our History, Mission and Vision

The CRI (formerly the Children's Research Center of Michigan) was established in 1996 with a mandate to *"advance knowledge in the science and art of medicine in order to improve methods to prevent, cure and treat childhood diseases."* **Our mission and vision is to serve as a preeminent center of excellence for pediatric research that will advance clinical care, provide children and their families with access to cutting-edge treatment options, and improve the lives of all children in Detroit and beyond.**

For nearly three decades, the CRI has fostered this mission by providing our dedicated doctors at Children's Hospital of Michigan with a comprehensive and seamless network of research support that facilitates the development of new, state-of-the-art treatments and cures for their young and vulnerable patients. We are a 'one stop shop'; for all studies conducted at CHM, we assist with:

- planning, developing and executing research projects that have the potential to transform the field.
- sharing the outcomes of this cutting-edge research to the global scientific community, and
- translating these discoveries to advance pediatric patient care.

**From each new idea....the CRI touches one or more aspects of every study**



We are immeasurably grateful to the Festival of Trees for your long-standing and generous support of our research mission. On behalf of all of my colleagues at the CRI....a heartfelt 'thank you'.

Sincerely,

*Karin*



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