The Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology & Nutrition provides specialized, multi-disciplinary care for children and adolescents. Our practice provides complete and therapeutic services to children with esophageal, gastrointestinal, liver, pancreatic, and nutritional disorders, including:

- abdominal pain
- biliary tract disease
- celiac disease
- childhood obesity
- Crohn's disease
- constipation
- diarrhea
- eosinophilic esophagitis
- failure to thrive
- food allergy
- gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD)
- gastrointestinal bleeding
- inflammatory bowel disease (IBD)
- intestinal allergies
- jaundice
- malabsorption
- motility disorders
- pancreatic disorders
- polyps
- ulcerative colitis
- viral hepatitis
- vomiting

Other areas of expertise include:

- Bravo and pH Probe placement
- capsule endoscopy
- endoscopy and colonoscopy
- fecal microbiota transplant
- gastronomy tube placement
- hydrogen and methane breath testing for bacterial overgrowth and lactose intolerance
- impedance/pH testing
- polypectomy
- pouchoscopy

Office Information and Patient Forms

Services & Programs
Pediatric Aerodigestive Program

The Pediatric Aerodigestive Center provides care for children with complex medical problems involving the airway, lung and the upper gastrointestinal (aerodigestive) tract. We bring together a multidisciplinary team in a single location to care for your child.

- Pediatric Aerodigestive Program
- To make an appointment, call 646-962-3410

Pediatric Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) Program
Inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) is a chronic inflammation of the lining of one's intestines. Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis are the two main types of IBD, with Crohn's generally affecting the small intestine, and ulcerative colitis causing inflammation in the large intestine, or
Living with an IBD diagnosis as a child or teen can be especially hard, with educational and social stressors to deal with alongside the array of symptoms caused by IBD, including bleeding, frequent stools, cramping, fatigue, and even arthritis. Our multi-disciplinary specialists help young patients with IBD to manage their disease, so they can continue to live full lives in childhood, adolescence, and beyond.

- To make an appointment, call 646-962-3869

**Pediatric Food Allergy Program**
Food allergies or food intolerance can range from mild to severe, and determining the cause can often be challenging. Our pediatric gastroenterologists specializing in food allergies and intolerances work with a multidisciplinary team of experts who help diagnose young patients and customize a treatment plan for each child.

- Food Allergy Program
- To make an appointment, call 646-962-3869

**Pediatric Motility Program**
If your child has problems with motility — the coordinated contraction and movement of the digestive tract — we know how much these problems can interfere with your child's and your family's quality of life. Children can develop motility disorders that range from relatively benign conditions such as constipation to more serious disorders such as Hirschsprung's disease. Our goals are to find out the reasons for your child's symptoms, and to provide you with an effective, practical treatment or management plan.

- Pediatric Motility Program
- To make an appointment, call 646-962-3869

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**Diagnosis & Treatment**

**Upper and Lower Endoscopy**
Endoscopy is a procedure that allows a Gastroenterologist to look at the inside of the gastrointestinal tract using an endoscope. An endoscopy is performed to discover reasons for problems including swallowing difficulties, bleeding, indigestion, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, reflux, chest pain or diarrhea.

- Tip Sheet: [Upper and Lower Endoscopy](#)

**Capsule Endoscopy**
Capsule endoscopy is used to look at the inside lining of the small intestine. Conventional upper endoscopy will only visualize the beginning of the small intestine, and colonoscopy will only visualize the end of small intestine. Capsule endoscopy is a way of bridging that gap to see the entire intestine.
pH Probe Study
A pH probe study is designed to assess acid reflux in your child. Sometimes this study can be performed "with impedance," which means that it will also detect non-acid reflux.

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Research

Crohn's Disease Growth Study
Dr. Neera Gupta, MD, MAS is leading a research study about the effects of Crohn's disease on the growth of pediatric patients. Learn more about the Growth Study, including how to enroll.

Education
The Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology & Nutrition is active in the education of medical students, residents and fellows, as well as continuing medical education programs:

- Annual Peter D. Stevens Course on Innovations in Digestive Care
- Annual Pediatric IBD Research Day

Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition Fellowship

Resources

- GI Kids: Education resources for families by the North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition (NASPGHAN). Includes brochures, videos, podcasts, and online communities.
- Center for Advanced Digestive Care (CADC): Pediatric Gastroenterology: The CADC at NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital is one of the nation’s leading centers for the diagnosis and treatment of childhood digestive diseases

What Sets us Apart
• We are affiliated with the Phyllis and David Komansky Children’s Hospital at NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital, the #1 ranked children’s hospital in New York City on the 2017-2018 US News & World Report Best Children’s Hospitals survey.

• Our pediatric sub-specialists are part of the Center for Advanced Digestive Care (CADC) at NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center, one of the nation’s leading centers for the diagnosis and treatment of childhood diseases.

Videos

Growth Study for Young Patients with Crohn's Disease
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