

Nutrition: Ellen Bowser

Ellen Bowser is both a registered dietitian and registered nurse. She received her MS in Food Science and Human Nutrition from the University of Florida in 1989. She was a long-term nutrition trainee with the UF PPC in 1988. She has worked as the Faculty Nutritionist with the UF Pediatric Pulmonary Center since 1990. She is also Board Certified as a Specialist in Pediatric Nutrition by CDR. Ellen's primary role at the PPC is the training of students and interns (both dietetics and other health professionals), the provision of continuing education and research.

Family Involvement: Angela Miney

Angela Miney is a part-time Family Involvement Consultant in the Pediatric Pulmonary Center (PPC) at UF. In her capacity as family partner Angela has helped to establish the Family Advisory Board (FAB) which advises PPC on family related issues. Angela also lectures students on family centered care as part of the PPC's core curriculum and has talked at and participated in conferences on living and dealing with children with chronic illnesses. She is also responsible for building a network of contacts with Pediatric Pulmonary Centers nationally and other family centered organizations to ensure that the PPC at UF remains at the forefront of family centered care practices.



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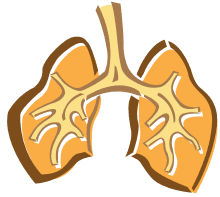


Physician: Abby Wagner, MD

Dr. Wagner was born and spent her early years in Indiana. Her family finally saw the light and moved to Florida so that she could attend the University of Florida and become a Gator! She received her undergraduate and medical degrees from U of F and her medical training in pediatrics and pediatric pulmonology. She has been a faculty member in the Department of Pediatrics since 1992 serving in several capacities. She has been Director of the Fellowship Training Program, the Cystic Fibrosis Center and most recently Director of the Pediatric Pulmonary Center Training Grant. She also serves as Pediatric Medical Director of the Sleep Laboratory and is co-director of the University of Florida Sleep Medicine Fellowship.



Respiratory Therapist: Leonile Kitnurse RRT, BS



Leonile grew up in St Thomas US VI , until moving to Jacksonville, FL. Leonile completed her college education with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Cardiopulmonary Sciences magnum cum laude from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University. She moved to Gainesville, FL to take a position as a Registered Respiratory Therapist specializing in neonatal and pediatric care. She is a core member of the respiratory care staff in the pediatric area. Her areas of expertise include pediatric intensive care units, neonatal intensive care and extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO). In 2008, Leonile became an Advanced Level Practitioner who oversees the entire pediatric and neonatal respiratory therapists.

Social Work: Susan Chauncey Horky

Susan Chauncey Horky was born in New Jersey and spent her formative years in the northeast earning her BA Psychology from Yale University and her MSW from Smith College School for Social Work in Northampton. She has extensive social work experience at both ends of the age spectrum and finally came to her senses migrating to Florida in 1997. She has been the Social Work Faculty for the Pediatric Pulmonary Center since 1998. She has been very productive in this role providing patient services and serving as mentor for over 25(?) long term trainees in the social work field. She is recognized as an outstanding mentor for these students having received the prestigious award as Florida State University Social Work Field Instructor of the Year in 2005.



Nursing: Cindy Capen

Cindy Capen MSN, RN is the faculty nurse for the Pediatric Pulmonary Center Training Grant. Cindy has her roots in Tennessee having earned her baccalaureate degree in nursing from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and her master of science in nursing from Vanderbilt University. She migrated south to Florida initially teaching undergraduate nursing for the University of Florida for 6 years before joining the Pediatric Pulmonary team in the Department of Pediatrics at UF. She has done this by working with families in clinic, coordinating the CF Center at the University of Florida, and participating in the development of educational tools with the National Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Cindy is an accomplished educator and participates in PPC education efforts by serving as Outreach education coordinator setting up conferences that are broadcast throughout the state of Florida. Cindy also enjoys coordinating and teaching other educational conferences for the PPC, CF families and local schools.