



Expert Care for Medically Complex Fetal Conditions

At the Cincinnati Children's Fetal Care Center, experts in maternal-fetal medicine, neonatology, fetal surgery and nursing share a passion for providing exceptional, comprehensive care. Our team, led by physicians from Cincinnati Children's, TriHealth and University of Cincinnati Medical Center, specializes in treating complex and rare fetal conditions. Our extensive experience, coupled with our clinical and basic science research to improve fetal care, enables us to provide the most sophisticated, effective therapies available.

Care for the Full Spectrum of Fetal Conditions

Our Fetal Care Center is one of only a few comprehensive fetal care centers in the world. We utilize advanced technologies and cutting-edge therapies to treat all medically complex fetal conditions, including:

- Myelomeningocele
- Congenital diaphragmatic hernia
- Twin-twin transfusion syndrome
- Bladder outlet obstruction
- Fetal teratomas and other tumors
- Congenital pulmonary airway malformation
- Twin-reversed arterial perfusion
- Chorioangioma
- CHAOS and complex airway disorder
- Fetal heart conditions

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The Fetal Care Center offers sophisticated diagnostic testing and comprehensive treatment options. We draw on extensive resources available through a three-hospital collaboration of Cincinnati Children's, TriHealth and University of Cincinnati Medical Center.



Comprehensive Evaluation, Diagnosis and Treatment

After a patient is referred to our center, one of our nurse coordinators will speak to her by phone to obtain background information. Using this information, along with any referral notes and test results, our team will identify which of our specialists are best suited to care for the patient's needs.

These physicians will work with others at the center to provide:

- Diagnostic testing
- Fetal assessment
- A comprehensive treatment plan
- Fetal interventions and fetal surgery, if necessary
- Supportive services
- Postnatal care
- Long-term follow up

We provide care in an atmosphere of compassion, knowing that patients and families are sometimes dealing with difficult decisions and fears about the future.

Collaboration is at the heart of our approach. Patients, family members and referring physicians are all part of our team, and we encourage referring physicians to contribute their own insights to the patient's care.

Innovative Treatment Options

Our physicians are passionate about finding novel therapies to improve surgical outcomes and enhance quality of life for patients. Innovation is a hallmark of our approach to care. For example, we are one of only a few institutions in the United States offering EXIT as a management strategy for patients with severe CPAM, and one of only a few that can offer surgical interventions for triplet pregnancies affected by TTTS and for patients with TTTS who present with an anterior placenta.

We offer all fetal interventions, including:

- Selective Fetoscopic Laser Photocoagulation
- Prenatal MMC Repair (Open and Fetoscopic)
- Fetoscopic Endoluminal Tracheal Occlusion (FETO)
- Radiofrequency Ablation
- EXIT procedures
- Fetal surgery for fetal tumors, lung lesions, etc.
- Shunts, amnioinfusion, amnioport, PUBS, intrauterine transfusions, etc.

Our team also offers non-surgical therapeutic options. Among them:

- Intrauterine transfusion
- Steroid therapy
- Expectant management
- High-risk pregnancy management
- Genetic and prenatal counseling

Careful prenatal planning allows the team to anticipate potential complications that may occur following delivery and establish a strategy for managing those problems. Our pediatric specialists have extensive experience in caring for critically ill newborns and providing long-term follow-up care to help them reach their full potential.

The Cincinnati Children's Fetal Care Center offers comprehensive care, from diagnosis to long-term follow-up.

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For referrals, please send the patient's demographic and insurance information, all clinical records, ultrasounds and laboratory results.