Johns Hopkins All Children’s Heart Institute Leaders Pave Way for Pediatric Cardiac Care

Cardiothoracic surgeon Dr. Jeffrey Jacobs and cardiologist Dr. Gary Stapleton have been named co-directors of the Johns Hopkins All Children’s Heart Institute

St. Petersburg, Fla. (PRWEB) May 08, 2017 -- Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital named cardiothoracic surgeon Jeffrey Jacobs, M.D., FACS, FACC, FCCP and cardiologist Gary Stapleton, M.D. as co-directors of the Johns Hopkins All Children's Heart Institute. The two are overseeing the U.S. News and World Report ranked pediatric cardiac surgery and cardiology programs at the hospital, as well as the team of specialists in cardiac surgery, pediatric cardiology, cardiac anesthesia, critical care and nursing working together to provide excellence in clinical care, education and research.

“Drs. Jacobs and Stapleton will provide strong leadership, vision and clear strategy focused on innovation and excellence which will help us push quality and safety in cardiac care forward, as well as improve the overall care and outcomes for our heart patients,” says Jonathan Ellen, M.D., president and vice dean of Johns Hopkins All Children’s Hospital.

Dr. Jacobs serves as chief of the Division of Cardiovascular Surgery and director of the Andrews/Daicoff Cardiovascular Program within the heart institute. He is a professor of cardiac surgery and pediatrics at Johns Hopkins University and surgical director of the Heart Transplantation Program and director of the Extracorporeal Life Support Program at Johns Hopkins All Children’s Heart Institute. In addition to his research in cardiothoracic surgery, he also serves as editor in chief of Cardiology in the Young, one of the most widely read journals dedicated to patients with pediatric and congenital cardiac disease. He also chairs the Society of Thoracic Surgeons Workforce on National Databases.

Dr. Stapleton also serves as chief of pediatric cardiology and medical director of the cardiac catheterization lab, where more than 400 diagnostic and interventional procedures are performed annually. Additionally, Dr. Stapleton is active in research and education in interventional cardiology and has launched innovative techniques at Johns Hopkins All Children’s to treat congenital heart disease without the need for open heart surgery.

About Johns Hopkins All Children’s Hospital
Johns Hopkins All Children’s Hospital in St. Petersburg is a leader in children’s health care, combining a legacy of compassionate care focused solely on children since 1926 with the innovation and experience of one of the world’s leading health care systems. The 259-bed teaching hospital, ranked as a U.S. News & World Report Best Children’s Hospital, stands at the forefront of discovery, leading innovative research to cure and prevent childhood diseases while training the next generation of pediatric experts. With a network of Johns Hopkins All Children’s Outpatient Care centers and collaborative care provided by All Children’s Specialty Physicians at regional hospitals, Johns Hopkins All Children’s brings care closer to home. Johns Hopkins All Children’s Hospital consistently keeps the patient and family at the center of care while continuing to expand its mission in treatment, research, education and advocacy. For more information, visit HopkinsAllChildrens.org.
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