

# FEBRUARY 1, 2023

**Collaborative-Wide Meeting  
to be held via Zoom on:**

**FRIDAY  
FEBRUARY 24, 2023**

**@10:00AM**

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## ZOOM CONFERENCE LINE:

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### Directors' Column

Happy New Year everyone and welcome back. Thank you all for an amazing fall meeting in Traverse City and quickly following up with a well-attended special town hall on the pediatric surge affecting our EDs. Standing up this type of response is the direct result of great relationships built on years of MEDIC work as well as trust in the collaborative family of committed members, and prior experience from COVID19. We've learned how to come together to identify problems, use our welcoming platform to sort out issues, brainstorm solutions and generously share lessons learned. Once again, we were reminded of the positive power of this Collaborative.

This year's theme of "All in for Kids" is another reminder that there is no "I" in team, especially when it comes to children in your EDs. All in the deep end of the pool now, we find ourselves dependent on each other with help from the Coordinating Center to meet our goals in support of moving the needle in a positive direction on pediatric measures. As we head into our next Collaborative-wide meeting this February (virtual), we are very excited to share great new data tools to assist you in your efforts and work together to learn about or develop terrific interventions. Our guest speaker, Dr. Todd Florin from Northwestern University and Lurie Children's Hospital, will also help us learn from his experience as a researcher with a focus on ED diagnosis of pediatric pneumonia. Looking forward to sharing an impactful 2023 year with you all.

*- Michele & Keith*

### Guest Speaker - MEDIC Collaborative Wide Meeting, FEBRUARY 24, 2023

#### Todd Florin, MD, MSCE

Dr. Florin is an Associate Professor of Pediatrics in the Division of Pediatric Emergency Medicine at Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago and Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. He is Director of Research for the Division of Emergency Medicine at Lurie and Head of the Grainger Initiative for Pediatric Emergency Medicine Research.



Dr. Florin is a nationally recognized expert in the field of respiratory infectious diseases in the acute care setting. He is a past recipient of the Academic Pediatric Association Young Investigator Award, in addition to research awards from Lurie Children's Hospital, the Sections of Emergency Medicine and Hospital Medicine of the American Academy of Pediatrics and mentorship awards from Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. He recently served on the Council of the Society of Pediatric Research.

Dr. Florin's research program aims to improve the diagnosis, management and outcomes of children with common, serious infections, with a current focus on lower respiratory tract infections. Current work centers on development of risk stratification tools and use of biomarkers to improve outcomes in children with pneumonia at the point-of-care. His work has also centered on resource utilization, variation in care, antimicrobial stewardship and use of clinical trials to improve treatments for respiratory tract infections in children. Dr. Florin's clinical focus is on the care of acutely ill and injured children in the Emergency Department at Lurie Children's Hospital.

In partnership with MOPEN, MEDIC has officially launched the new "Naloxone Distribution for Opioid Harm Reduction" performance measure! Abstraction began in early January for baseline data collection and will continue throughout the rest of the year.



We anticipate new Tableau reports being available sometime this spring, and look forward to seeing preliminary data related to Naloxone distribution rates at our participating sites.

We will also be spending some time discussing this topic in more detail at the June collaborative-wide meeting. Check out our website for additional information and resources, including the "Emergency Department Naloxone Implementation Guide."

### EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT!



Ellie English is a Clinical Implementation Specialist with OPEN, and manages the MEDIC + OPEN Emergency Department Naloxone Distribution Program.

She supports site champions in implementing the program at their hospitals and providing patients with naloxone to reverse future opioid overdoses.

Ellie is interested in increasing access to naloxone and other harm reduction resources and working with providers to improve care for patients with opioid use disorder.

In her free time, she enjoys traveling, cooking, playing board games, and going for walks with her dog, Moose.

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### Dates to Remember:

- Friday, February 24, 2023 Collaborative-Wide Meeting Via ZOOM @ 10:00am
- Friday, March 24, 2023 Executive Committee Call @ 9:00am
- Thursday, April 13, 2023 Data & Publication Committee Call @ 11:00am
- Tuesday, May 2, 2023 Pediatric Committee Call @ 8:00am
- Tuesday, May 9, 2023 Clinical Champion Call @ 8:00am
- Friday, June 9, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting @ 9:00am at H Hotel, Midland, MI
- Friday, June 9, 2023 Collaborative-Wide Meeting @ 10:00am at H Hotel Midland, MI
- Monday, July 10, 2023 Data & Publication Committee Call @ 10:00am
- Tuesday, September 12, 2023 Pediatric Committee Call @ 8:00am
- Tuesday, September 19, 2023 Clinical Champion Call @ 8:00am

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