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New Pediatric Cardiologist Joins Nemours Children's Specialty Care

PENSACOLA, FL (August 7, 2018) – Alejandro Arevalo, MD, has joined the Division of Pediatric Cardiology at Nemours Children's Specialty Care, Pensacola, where he will help to diagnose and treat children in the areas of pulmonary hypertension, cardiac oncology, and fetal cardiology, as well as his main passion of sports cardiology.

"I truly believe sports should be fundamental component of medicine for diagnosis, prognosis, and therapies. Not using exercise as part of your "artillery" as a physician is missing half the battle," said Dr. Arevalo.

Dr. Arevalo received his medical degree at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine. He completed his residency in pediatrics at the University of Florida College of Medicine – Jacksonville. He specialized in pediatric cardiology with a fellowship at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center.

Dr. Arevalo was first exposed to Nemours in general pediatrics training. "The sub specialty attendings and care delivered was top notch and always left a good impression," explained Dr. Arevalo.

Prior to Nemours, Dr. Arevalo was director of the Le Bonheur Children's Hospital Exercise and Performance Lab, and a member of the St. Jude cardio-oncology team. He was also an associate professor of pediatrics at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis, where he directed the cardiology section of the sports medicine program. "I was involved with sports medicine physicians and trainers to triage and manage cardiac disease in the community," Dr. Arevalo explained.

He joins the Division of Cardiology and brings clinical expertise in exercise and sports cardiology, fetal cardiology, valvular heart disease in pediatric cancer survivors, preventive cardiology and pulmonary hypertension. Dr. Arevalo is fluent in English and Spanish and is certified in general pediatrics and pediatric cardiology by the American Board of Pediatrics. He has been working 10 years as a Pediatric Cardiologist.

Dr. Arevalo joins the Division of Cardiology with Drs. Mary Mehta, Joseph Davenport, Michael Bingler, Steven Fishberger and Dima Turpin.

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About Nemours Children's Health System

Nemours is an internationally recognized children's health system that owns and operates the Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children in Wilmington, Del., and Nemours Children's Hospital in Orlando, Fla., along with outpatient facilities in five states, delivering pediatric primary, specialty and urgent care. Nemours also powers the world's most-visited website for information on the health of children and teens, KidsHealth.org and offers on-demand, online video patient visits through Nemours CareConnect.

Established as The Nemours Foundation through the legacy and philanthropy of Alfred I. duPont, Nemours provides pediatric clinical care, research, education, advocacy, and prevention programs to families in the communities it serves.

