

SCOTTISH RITE FOR CHILDREN

A Century of Giving Children Back Their Childhood



This October, Scottish Rite for Children officially turns 100, and congratulations are in order as this remarkable institution has been giving children back their childhood for a century. Scottish Rite for Children is one of the nation's leading pediatric orthopedic centers. The organization serves our community by treating a wide range of orthopedic conditions, including sports injuries and fractures, as well as certain arthritic, neurological and learning disorders, such as dyslexia. Patients receive outstanding treatment regardless of the family's ability to pay, and there are three locations in North Texas — Dallas, Frisco and The Star in Frisco — to serve the growing pediatric patient population.

“Although our centennial year is different than what we originally planned, it is clear that our one-of-a-kind institution has a commitment that has endured the test of time and will continue to do so,” said Robert L. Walker, CEO/President of Scottish Rite for Children. “We are all proud of our achievements and grateful to contribute to that unshakable mission for another 100 years.”

In the early 1920s, Texas Masons and Dallas' first orthopedic surgeon W. B. Carrell, M.D., created a place like no other and cared for the children of Texas affected by the polio epidemic. As the hospital's reputation continued to grow, parents brought children with debilitating conditions or injuries to Dallas for care, broadening the scope of pediatric orthopedic treatments available.

The organization's physicians and surgeons treat thousands of children annually in six Centers for Excellence in spine, foot, hand,



hip, limb lengthening and reconstruction and sports medicine.

“Through Scottish Rite's six Centers for Excellence, groundbreaking research takes place consistently, and each area of specialty is focused on one goal

— finding the best, most innovative treatment options,” said chief of staff and pediatric orthopedic surgeon Daniel J. Sucato, M.D., M.S. “This type of teamwork welcomes new and fresh ideas within our walls and extends outward to other hospitals across the country.”

Their experts continue to lead the way with exceptional treatments, world-class education and leading-edge research, impacting children around the world.

So many experts have devoted their careers to care and nurture their patients, and today more than 335,000 children have received the life-changing treatments required to thrive and excel through their personal challenges to go on and inspire others. Visit ScottishRite100.org to view the timeline of their 100-year history and also see their young patients showing what amazing things they can do. These kids, and all the patients at Scottish Rite for Children, inspire them to keep up the good work each and every day!