

About us

The Sports Medicine Program at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta is one of the largest programs in the country dedicated to helping teen athletes stay healthy and excel in their sports. Our team treats thousands of middle school, high school and elite athletes each year, providing comprehensive medical, surgical and rehabilitation services specially designed for pediatric and adolescent athletes.

Our Sports Medicine Program has:

- Three pediatric orthopedic surgeons
- Six primary care sports medicine physicians
- More than 25 sports physical therapists
- More than 35 certified athletic trainers who are on the sidelines at more than 40 high school and club sports
- 12 sports physical therapy locations
- 14 Children's Physician Group-Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine practice locations

We use a family-focused approach to deliver care through education and support for patients and their families.



Our team

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Primary care sports medicine doctors:

- David L. Marshall, MD, Medical Director,
 Sports Medicine Program
- John A. Alsobrook, MD
- Ashley Brouillette, MD
- John M. Buchanan, DO
- J. Stephen Kroll, MD
- Armand Scurfield, MD

Orthopedic surgeons:

- Michael T. Busch, MD, Surgical Director, Sports Medicine Program
- S. Clifton Willimon, MD, Medical Director, Orthopedic Quality and Outcomes
- Crystal Perkins, MD

Sports orthopedist:

• Saji Azerf, MD, MPH

Training and certifications

Our team includes pediatric-trained primary care sports medicine doctors, fellowship-trained orthopedic surgeons, more than 35 athletic trainers and more than 25 sports physical therapists. Many of our sports physical therapists also have the following advanced certifications:

- Orthopedic certified specialist (OCS)
- Certified strength and conditioning specialist (CSCS)
- Sports certified specialist (SCS)

Our programs

Our specialty programs and technologies are designed to help athletes prevent sports injuries and learn proper technique. Each athlete receives personalized treatment based on his or her needs and the sport he or she plays.

Some of our programs and services include:

- ACL injury prevention and rehabilitation
- Concussion Program
- Dry needling
- Dance medicine
- Golf
- Post-surgical strength testing (isokinetic testing)

- Running
- Soccer
- Sports motion analysis
- Sports nutrition
- Swimming
- Wrestling weight management



Children's has administered more than **73,000 ImPACT concussion** assessments since 2007.

Visit **choa.org/sportsresearch** for more information on our research activities.





Sports motion analysis technology helps detect mechanical flaws in sports motions that can lead to injuries. Video footage allows for analysis of rapid details during an athlete's throw, kick, flip, serve, stride or other action that may be missed by the naked eye.

We offer in-clinic and mobile upload analysis, as well as the option for our staff to come on-site and analyze for an entire team.

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