

WHAT'S HAPPENING

A newsletter for the Maine Medical Center family

MMC Welcomes Its New Chair of Pediatrics, Dr. Mary Ottolini



Mary Ottolini, MD, MPH, MEd, joined MaineHealth as the George W. Hallett,

MD Chair of Pediatrics at Maine Medical Center on June 1. She oversees The Barbara Bush Children's Hospital and the Maine-Health pediatric service line. Dr. Ottolini comes to Maine from Children's National Medical Center in Washington, D.C. where she worked for 26 years and served in numerous clinical care and leadership roles, most recently as Vice Chair of Education.

Why become a pediatrician?

I grew up in Michigan and after finishing my pediatric residency at Children's Hospital of Michigan I started my career as a primary care pediatrician at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. Caring for children provides an amazing opportunity to change the trajectory of a life. Healing children and seeing them bounce back to

health is the ultimate reward. Caring for a child with a chronic condition gives you an opportunity to build a long-term relationship with their family that is similarly rewarding, but also drives you to be a better doctor because that family will always be pushing you to provide the very best care.

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MCCP Celebrates 25 Years of 'Strike Out Cancer In Kids'

The Portland Sea Dogs wore specialty jerseys on Friday, July 12 in honor of the Maine Children's Cancer Program, as 5-year-old cancer survivor Griffin Cochrane ran the bases, giving all the players and coaches a high five.

The Maine Children's Cancer Program is celebrating the 25th anniversary of "Strike Out Cancer in Kids" with the Portland Sea Dogs.

This year's ceremonial jerseys were auctioned off on July 22 to support The Maine Children's Cancer Program.



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From Front

What's your passion?

Teaching, education and education research. Helping providers learn, engage, grow and contribute to a culture of care focused on improving the health of children is important to me. I've been an educator my entire career. I am particularly interested in using technology to innovate the learning process.

What made you move into leadership roles?

I love caring for patients and teaching at the

bedside. I also enjoy problem solving with my colleagues on behalf of patients. Administration and leading clinical care efforts was a natural way for me to make a more lasting impact.

What drew you to Maine Medical Center and MaineHealth?

I came here for the AC-GME conference a year ago. I loved what I saw – the medical education program, the gemba walks, the iPACE unit, the commitment to patient care. It didn't hurt that I have one daughter in Boston and that my other daughter's husband loves Portland.

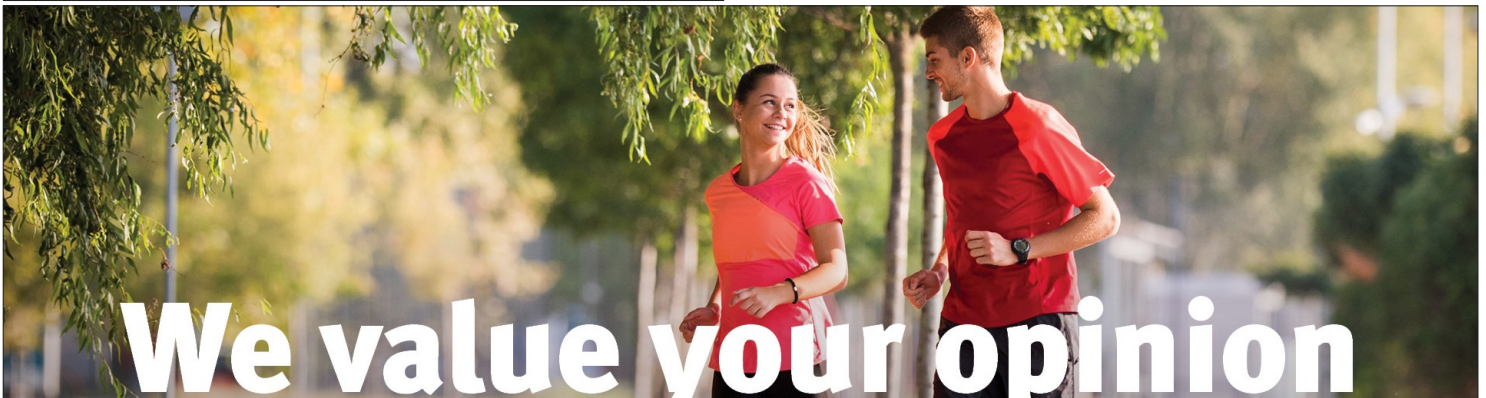
PEOPLE NEWS



Brock Libby, MD, has recently joined Maine Medical Partners – South Portland Pediatrics.

After earning his bachelor of science degree in biology and bachelor of arts degree in sociology from the University of Maine, he went on to earn his medical degree at the University of Vermont. He then completed his residency in pediatrics at the University of Virginia, which included an additional year acting as chief resident. He culminated his training in 2019 with an adolescent medicine fellowship at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

His clinical interests include LGBTQ youth, hormonal contraception and young men's health.



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