

CHILDREN'S ORTHOPAEDIC AND SCOLIOSIS SURGERY ASSOCIATES, L.L.P.

Pediatric Orthopaedics

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Children's Orthopaedics and Scoliosis Surgery



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Children's Orthopaedic and Scoliosis Surgery Associates, L.L.P. (COSSA), specializing in pediatric orthopaedics, has been practicing in the Tampa Bay Area since July 1988. Sheila M. Love, M.D. was the first pediatric orthopaedic specialist at All Children's Hospital. Now a group of four, each physician has excellent credentials and have completed fellowships in pediatric orthopaedic surgery. The entire group has been elected again by their peers for inclusion in Best Doctors in America® 2006. COSSA's offices are located in St. Petersburg and Tampa, with a satellite clinic in Sarasota and now a new satellite location in Brandon.

Sheila M. Love, M.D. has been named in Best Doctors in America since 1996. She has also been listed in America's Top Surgeons since 2002, including being named again in 2006. She is an Affiliate Professor at USF, School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics; and an Affiliate Assistant Professor in the Department of Orthopedic Surgery. Her participation with the USF programs began in 1986 while a clinical fellow in pediatric Orthopaedic surgery. She received both her medical degree and orthopaedic residency training from Northwestern University School of Medicine. Dr. Love

completed two pediatric orthopaedic fellowships at the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children in Tampa. She has been the Program Director for Pediatric Orthopaedics at All Children's Hospital since 1988. She is an active member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, the Florida Orthopaedic Society, and the Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America.

Jeffrey B. Neustadt, M.D. has been selected for Best Doctors in America since 1996. Since 1991, he has been an Affiliate Associate Professor of Orthopedic Surgery and Pediatrics at the University of South Florida School of Medicine. He received his medical degree from the Emory University School of Medicine. His orthopaedic residency training was at The University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Medical Center. He did a pediatric orthopaedic and scoliosis surgery fellowship at The Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children. Before coming to St. Petersburg, Dr. Neustadt was an instructor in Orthopaedic Surgery at Georgetown University in 1990 and 1991. He was an oral examiner for the American Board of Orthopedic Surgery (ABOS) in 2004 and again in 2005. He is a Fellow of the Scoliosis Research Society and is currently conducting research projects in scoliosis surgery. He is a

Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, the Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America, The Southern Orthopaedic Association, the Florida Orthopaedic Society, and the Pinellas and Hillsborough County Medical Societies.

Scott W. Beck, M.D. has been named continuously in Best Doctors in America since 2003. He has been an Affiliate Associate Professor at USF, School of Medicine, Department of Orthopedic Surgery since 1998. Dr. Beck received his medical degree from the University of Utah. After finishing his surgery internship at UC San Francisco, he went on to complete a residency in orthopaedic surgery from Creighton-Nebraska Universities Health Foundation in Omaha. Dr. Beck completed his pediatric orthopaedic fellowship at San Diego Children's Hospital. He is an active member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, the Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America and the Orthopaedic Trauma Association.

Gregory V. Hahn, M.D. has been selected for the honor of Best Doctors in America since 2003. He has the honor of being named in America's Top Surgeons in 2005 and 2006. He is Affiliate Associate Professor of Orthopedic Surgery and Pediatrics at the

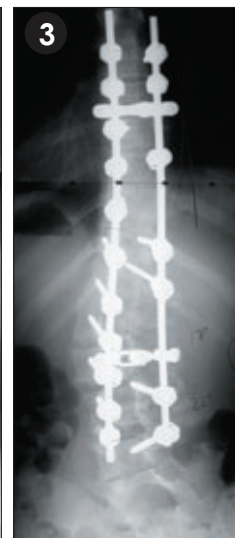
University of South Florida School of Medicine and is currently the Chairman of the Division of Orthopaedic Surgery at All Children's Hospital in St. Petersburg, Florida. He received a B.A. from the University of Virginia and his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania. He stayed at the University of Pennsylvania for his orthopaedic residency training and completed his pediatric orthopaedic fellowship at San Diego Children's Hospital. He is an active member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, the Florida Orthopaedic Society and the Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America and his special interest is scoliosis.

Here's the scenario: Your four-year-old son just fell out of a tree and broke his arm. Naturally you frantically rush him to the closest ER for diagnosis and treatment.

Years ago that might have been the best answer, but today a pediatric orthopaedic specialist is best suited to treat your child. They know how to minimize pain and improve outcomes for children for a myriad of conditions.

Both physicians and non-physicians alike have worked to treat children's orthopaedic issues for hundreds if not thousands of years. It is only since the early 1970s however, that the sub-specialty of pediatric orthopaedics has proliferated, and new technologies have spawned new and better treatments. Indeed as the sub-specialty has grown, so has the ability of its highly trained specialists to assess and treat children based on their inherently different and individual needs. In the past, the complicated cases were the only ones sent to pediatric orthopaedists. Today, however, pediatricians recognize that the specialized expertise of a pediatric orthopaedic specialist benefits all children.

Childrens' Orthopaedic & Scoliosis Surgery Associates (COSSA) is a group of four fellowship trained and board certified pediatric orthopaedic surgeons - Drs. Love, Neustadt, Beck and Hahn. Dr. Sheila Love founded the practice over eighteen years ago and the group has been providing specialized orthopaedic care for the children of the entire



Tampa Bay area ever since. The group's core value is to provide compassionate, ethical and efficient care based on science and sound orthopaedic principles. They recognize that reassuring both the injured child and the parents is paramount and therefore the offices are child friendly, with videos,



books and pictures designed to make a frightened child more comfortable. Multicolored "swimming cast" add a nice touch, especially in the summer. The physicians and staff spend a great deal of time educating the families and answering all their questions.

The specialists at COSSA understand the inherent differences in treating children versus adults. Because they only treat children they routinely see injuries and conditions that are rarely or never encountered in a general orthopedic surgical practice. Thus a general orthopaedic surgeon may not realize that treating a six-year-old child's fracture can be markedly different from that of a 12-year-old or a six-month-old. Dr. Neustadt explains that one of the most salient principles in pediatric orthopaedics is taking into account that the patient has growth remaining, and therefore anticipating how a specific treatment option may impact future growth. This plays a significant role in both selection of treatment as

well as duration. A pediatric orthopaedist is better able to determine not only the correct treatment, but also the appropriate length of treatment based on the child's stage of development. This may often translate into a shorter treatment time.

Fractures are just one component of pediatric orthopaedics. Children's Orthopaedic & Scoliosis Surgery Associates provides comprehensive care for club feet, extra digits, trauma, hip dysplasia, congenital deformities, and scoliosis. The group uses the best technology available, and continuously seeks the highest level of treatment advances in all areas of pediatric orthopaedics. They maintain two offices, one in Saint Petersburg and another in Tampa. They see patients in several outreach clinics in Sarasota and Brandon. They have office hours five days a week and generally will see patients up to age 17, or age 21 in the case of scoliosis.

—By Catherine Russo Cobb