

I am the son of immigrants and was born in Long Beach, California. I trained at UCLA and then completed a pediatric fellowship at the University of Iowa under Stu Weinstein and Fred Dietz.

After military service including Desert Storm, I worked with the Shriners Hospital for Children in Lexington, Kentucky. After time at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, I started administrative work in 2007 with the Department of Veterans Affairs (first in Patient Safety, then in Medical Disability Evaluation).

Brain T. Carney, MD VA Medical Center White River Junction, VT Member Since: 1993

I hope that I have been of service to patients and residents.



Paul Caskey, MD University of Wisconsin, Madison Member Since: 1990 Dr. Paul Caskey is a Board Certified Orthopedic Surgeon practicing pediatric orthopedics since 1986. He grew up in Wisconsin and completed Undergraduate training with a degree in Molecular Biology from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He received his medical degree from the University of Wisconsin Medical School and his postgraduate studies include an Orthopedic Surgery Residency at McLaren Regional Medical Center followed by a Fellowship in Pediatric Orthopedics and Scoliosis at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital.

Dr. Caskey served four years in the United States Air Force at Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center, San Antonio, Texas serving during Operations Just Cause and Operation Desert Storm. In addition to a very busy pediatric orthopedic practice he earned his wings as a Flight Surgeon.

In 1992, he joined the Shriners Hospital for Children, Spokane Washington as the assistant chief of staff and served as chief of staff from 2006 through 2015. During his 24 years at the Shrine Hospital he practiced a wide range of pediatric orthopedics with a special interest in limb deformity and spine deformity surgery.

Dr. Caskey retired from surgical practice in 2016 and joined the faculty of Orthopedic Surgery and Rehabilitation at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health where he continues to practice non-operative pediatric orthopedics as a Clinical Professor of Orthopedic Surgery.

I served on a number of POSNA and AAOS committees including chairman of the POSNA Bone and Joint Decade Committee and Advocacy committees as well as serving on the US Bone and Joint Decade committee.

It has been a pleasure to spend over 30 years taking care of the children and educating orthopedic residents and medical students and I hope to be remembered as someone who was successful in both.

Special thanks to my lovely wife of 40 years, Joan and our two children, Sean (orthopedic surgery resident) and Mara (pediatric speech therapist) for sacrificing family time while husband, dad was busy working.



David Drvaric, MD Shriners Hospital Springfield, MA Member Since: 1988 I was born in Boston and grew up just outside of Milwaukee. I trained in general surgery and orthopaedics at Duke under David Sabiston and J. Leonard Goldner. My Fellowship in pediatric orthopaedics was done at Children's Hospital of New Orleans with John Roberts, Steve Burke and Charlie Johnston.

My academic career began at Emory and then on to Brown and back to Emory. In 1993 I moved to the Shriners Hospital for Children in Springfield, MA. I served as a Staff Surgeon and for the last nineteen years of my career was the Chief of Staff. My focus was on hips, foot and ankle and limb deficiencies.

I hope that my legacy will be that I was a good teacher to the Residents and Fellows whom I had the privilege to train. And, more importantly, that I always did my best for the children under my care.



Samuel Laufer, MD East Brunswick, NJ Member Since: 1983



Peter D. Masso, MD Shriners Hospital Springfield, MA Member Since: 1994 Dr. Masso spent the majority of his career in Connecticut and Western Massachusetts. His education at UCONN began in Pharmacy School graduating as Valedictorian and University Scholar of his class in 1980. He subsequently matriculated from the UCONN school of medicine in 1985 and entered the UCONN Orthopedic residency. He fell in love with Pediatric Orthopedics with his exposure to his mentors at Newington Children's Hospital. Drs. James Gage, Tom Renshaw, Gregory Mencio, and Peter DeLuca. His training continued at Vanderbilt University under the tutelage of Drs. Neil Green and Dennis DeVito.

In 1991, he returned to New England to be Assistant Chief of Staff of the Springfield Shriners Hospital under John Roberts. The focus of his practice was in spinal deformity evaluation and correction, gait analysis and treatment of patients of neuromuscular deformities and complex lower extremity deformities. His research interests focused on outcome evaluation of the patient with neuromuscular disorders treated with simultaneous multilevel surgery and the objective and subjective outcomes of spinal deformity correction using gait, radiographic, outcome instruments and 3-dimensional topographical analysis.

By far his favorite role was his involvement in the growth of the talented residents that came to the Springfield Shriners Hospital from Albany Medical College, Boston University, and Columbia University. Many have gone on to be leaders in our society including, Drs. Michael Vitale, Michael Schmitz, David Skaggs, Benjamin Roye, Jodi Litrenta, Megan Young, Dana Olszewski, and Steven Storer to name a few. In 2015, he was recruited to Phoenix Children's Hospital and retired disabled after being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in 2017.



Marc J. Moreau, MD University of Alberta Edmonton, AB CANADA Member Since: 1983 I am from Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. I completed my residency in Montreal in 1977 and did Pediatric Orthopaedic fellowships at the Montreal Shriner's hospital for 6 months followed by a year at the Alfred I. DuPont Institute in Wilmington, Delaware.

I spent 40 years in academic practice at the University of Alberta doing full time Pediatric Orthopaedic practice. My clinical and research interest has been related to scoliosis.

My wife and I are cofounders of a medical mission in Ecuador which we have been running for 20 years.



Carol Mowery, MD Seattle Children's Hospital Seattle, WA Member Since: 1989 I am a fourth generation Seattleite, and I trained in orthopedics at University of California, San Diego, under Wayne Akeson, David Sutherland, and Scott Mubarak. I spent 1984-1985 completing a pediatric orthopaedic fellowship at Texas Scottish Rite Hospital in Dallas under Tony Herring and Jim Roach.

I then returned to Seattle and worked for Group Health Cooperative (now Kaiser Permanente), Swedish Pediatric Specialty clinic, and completed my career at Seattle Children's Hospital.

Over the last years of my career, I traveled to outreach clinics in Olympia, Yakima, and Wenatchee, which was very rewarding. I always had a general pediatric orthopaedic interest rather than a specific focus.

As far as any legacy, I hope that I have inspired women to pursue the field of pediatric orthopedics. It is gratifying to see the many talented young female physicians who have joined our ranks.



Prerana Patel, MD Shriners Hospital Springfield, MA Member Since: 2006 My name is Prerana Patel, and I'm originally from Hickory, NC, though I've lived and worked all over the country, it seems. I trained at Rice University for undergraduate studies (political science!), Duke University School of Medicine, University of Michigan Hospitals for internship/residency, and Rady Children's Hospital of San Diego for my pediatric orthopaedics and scoliosis fellowship. I've had the privilege to practice in a few places, too, both in combined peds and adult academic medical centers, and in purely pediatric specialty facilities.

My last few years were spent at Shriners Hospitals for Children-Springfield, doing a primarily spine-based practice, and serving as medical director of the trauma clinic we established. My primary areas of special interest and practice: scoliosis, trauma, sports medicine, and resident education. I was fortunate enough to get to be a bit of a pedi ortho generalist, too, treating feet and hips; I think that's a concept that's unfortunately shrinking in our field, though.

My 'legacy' is but a small one; I'm in the class of 2019 because of medical retirement, not because I was ready to end my career. There are a few patients I was fortunate to be able to help with somewhat creative solutions to their problems, like using a soft tissue allograft to provide spinal stability to a toddler, who would have had a full cervical fusion otherwise. Or employing an anterior approach for acute unstable slips, which has given my small series of patients very good results. Or a modernized, practical version of Mehta casting, with very satisfying results, and much happier families. I'd like to think that there are a few more pediatric orthopaedists out there, in some part because I could share with them how thrilling, challenging, and rewarding a specialty I found it to be.

And, for the ones who weren't 'converted', my hope is that they're still paying attention in their practices to the little things that make care that much better for their patients of all ages, and that they know how to properly and confidently treat a supracondylar humerus fracture!



H. Sheldon St. Clair, MD Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine Norfolk, VA Member Since: 1988