

Boston Children's Hospital is proud to announce the 2024 recipients of

The Community Pediatric Award

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The Community Pediatric Award is the highest award granted annually to physicians in the greater Children's Hospital community. Traditionally, it honors pediatricians whose work takes place primarily outside the walls of Boston Children's Hospital. Boston Children's Hospital and the PPOC has expanded its presence both locally and throughout MA and surrounding states. Meaning we have a rich and varied group of pediatricians, locally and farther afield, who are part of our diverse and robust hospital community. Those chosen recipients, nominated by their peers embody the BCH mission of exemplary patient care, compassionate treatments of all children, commitments to innovation or excellence in teaching.



Elisabeth DiPietro, MD Hyde Park Pediatrics

Dr. Elisabeth DiPietro graduated with a degree in Mathematics from Dartmouth College and earned her medical degree with honors from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She completed her residency at the Boston Combined Residency in Pediatrics and joined Hyde Park Pediatrics in 1999. Dr. DiPietro has been a steadfast advocate for pediatric health, serving on her local Board of Health during the COVID-19 pandemic and representing the Massachusetts Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics at the Mass Medical Society. As Associate Medical Director for Wellness at the Pediatric Physicians' Organization of Children's, she led the network to recognition in the AMA's Joy in Medicine Program. A passionate educator, she teaches clinical skills at Harvard Medical School. In her personal life, she enjoys hiking and rowing with her family in the Boston suburbs. Dr. DiPietro's dedication to her patients, community, and colleagues makes her a deserving recipient of this award.

WE CONGRATULATE AND COMMEND THE SERVICE AND CARE OF DR. ELISABETH DIPIETRO AND DR. DAVID NORTON AS DOCTORS AND INDIVIDUALS WHO TIRELESSLY SERVE THEIR COMMUNITY IN AN EFFORT TO BRING BETTER PEDIATRIC CARE TO THOSE IN THE GREATER BOSTON AREA AND ABROAD.

Dr. David Norton was born in Detroit and grew up near Pittsburgh. He graduated magna cum laude from Georgetown University and earned his medical degree from Yale. After completing his pediatric residency at UCSF, he practiced in Marin County, California, and later in the Pioneer Valley. Dr. Norton is dedicated to public and international health, with a focus on vaccines and preventive care. He serves on the Massachusetts State Immunization Advisory Committee, the Governor-appointed State Vaccine Purchase Committee, and is active in the Massachusetts Medical Society. Since 1993, he has volunteered annually with ReSurge, providing free plastic and reconstructive surgery in developing countries and training local healthcare professionals. Dr. Norton is currently living in Hadley and has three grown children. He enjoys gardening, birdwatching, Morris dancing, and learning to play the fiddle. His commitment to his patients and global health initiatives highlights his dedication and impact.



David Norton, MD Holyoke Pediatrics