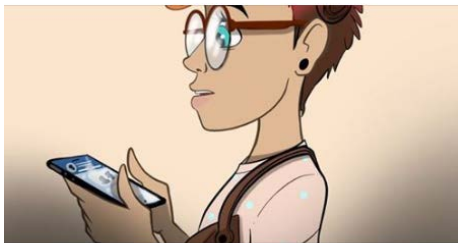




# UI HEALTH PEDIATRICS

## SEPTEMBER 2020 CELEBRATION NEWSLETTER

### P2P Study Is Subject of *Tribune* Article



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Comics that helped prevent teen depression before pandemic now targeting increased risks because of...

Dr. Benjamin Van Voorhees, Head of the UIC Department of Pediatrics, and others involved with the Path 2 Purpose (P2P) article were quoted in the 8.27.20 edition of the *Chicago Tribune*. Highlights included descriptions of how the interactive online comic books that guide teens through mental health coping strategies now have storylines that are specific to Covid-19.

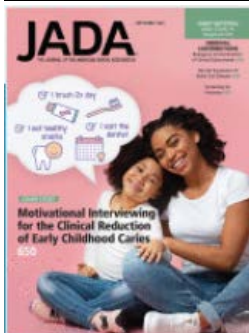
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### Dr. Kenan Interviewed on WGN Morning News

On 9.17.20, Dr. Kristen Kenan was interviewed on the *Morning News* at WGN (Channel 9). The conversation brought out how children are responding differently than adults to stress caused by Covid-19. Dr. Kenan explained how mental health tips and techniques provided by the Path 2 Purpose (P2P) study are designed to help teens better cope with depression, anxiety, and isolation caused by the pandemic. <https://wgntv.com/morning-news/dr-kristen-kenan-on-path-2-purpose/>



### Work of Dr. Hsu Featured



For those with Sickle Cell Disease (SCD), oral and systemic health may be linked. In fact some SCD treatments might protect from cavities. Those are conclusions in an article in the September 2020 issue of the *Journal of the American Dental Association* written by UI Health pediatric hematologist Lewis L. Hsu, MD, PhD, and his wife Judy Fan-Hsu, DDS. Until 10.13.20, you can get a free download at <https://authors.elsevier.com/a/1bdPBf0DDy9F>

Dr. Hsu was also quoted on how to manage SCD pain in the 8.18.20 edition of

BlackDoctor+org at <https://blackdoctor.org/sickle-cell-disease-understanding-the-infusion-process-and-why-its-good-for-you/2/>



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Sickle Cell Disease: Understanding the Infusion Process and Why It's Good For...

Having a chronic illness comes with many challenges. The main goal is to stay healthy and live as normal a life as possible. The additional goal of a sickle cell patient is to have as few pain crises as possible. You want to make sure you d...



Dr. Hsu and Dr. Fan-Hsu have set-up oral health awareness days at the UI Health Child & Youth Center (CYC) that include the distribution of free toothbrushes and tubes of toothpaste. They are joint collaborators on a grant, "Reaching Chicago's Vulnerables from South and West Side," from the Chicago Dental Society Foundation and Mars-Wrigley Foundation.

## Dr. Martin on Ask an Expert Series



Covid-19 was previously discussed by Dr. Molly Martin, Associate Head for Research, in a presentation titled “Asthma & Covid-19: Focus on Children” that was part of the Chicago Asthma Consortium’s *Ask an Expert Series*. Her 4.2.20 talk is on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7V-s8Kt4tSw>

## Pediatric Memorial Service Held Virtually

Held virtually for the first time, Old St. Patrick’s Catholic Church in the West Loop hosted the Annual Pediatric Memorial on 8.16.20 by providing live streaming to more than 50 viewers. Spanish translation was provided for all components of the service, which included remarks by a parent, members of the Oncology Team, and the UI Health Chaplain; an Honored Children slideshow; a video tour of the Pediatric Memorial Garden; and choral selections by the Harmony Hope and Healing Choir.



## Cmdr. Brian Anthony Is Executive Officer of USS Winston S. Churchill



Before his latest deployment, Inger Anthony, APRN, CPNP, DNP, visited her son Cmdr. Brian Anthony and toured his ship. He is the Executive Officer of the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer Winston D. Churchill (DDG 81), which recently completed maneuvering exercises with the Turkish Navy. The photo shows a Burgazada (F-513) from that exercise in the Mediterranean Sea.

<https://www.navy.mil/Press-Office/Press-Releases/display-pressreleases/Article/2328393/uss-winston-s-churchill-completes-maneuvering-exercises-with-turkish-navy/>

## Dr. Martin Receives Health Program Champion Award

Molly Martin, MD, MAPP, received the Health Program Champion Award from the Erie Family Health Foundation. At the Health Equity Impact Award Ceremony and Virtual Gala on 9.17.20, Marcio da Fonseca, DDS, MS, also

received the Golden Toothbrush Award. Dr. Martin is an Associate Professor of Pediatrics, and Dr. da Fonseca is Director of Oral Health for Special Needs Children at UI Dentistry. Health Innovator Awards went to Dr. Ngozi Ezike of the Illinois Department of Public Health and Dr. Allison Arwady of the Chicago Department of Public Health.

<https://www.riefamilyhealth.org/virtual-gala/>



### HEALTH INNOVATORS

**Ngozi Ezike, MD**  
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**Allison Arwady, MD, MPH**  
Commissioner  
Chicago Department of Public Health



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### HEALTH PROGRAM CHAMPION

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Associate Professor of Pediatrics  
Institute for Health Research and Policy - UIC

## Snow City Arts Honors UIC



Snow City Arts honored UIC with their annual Neisser Award at a 9.18.20 event: a virtual celebration titled Gallery Night 2020 Activating Art. Dr. Lewis Hsu and Dr. Mary Lou Schmidt accepted on behalf of Children’s Hospital University of Illinois, and Dr. Elizabeth Clayton and Dr. Michael Naylor accepted on behalf of the UIC Comprehensive Assessment and Treatment Unit.



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