

# Nemours Children's Hospital, Florida Earns Prestigious Recognition for its Care for CMT Patients and Their Families

*NCH Florida is only Pediatric Hospital in Central Florida to Achieve this Recognition*

**Orlando, Fla. (March 13, 2023)** --The interdisciplinary neuromuscular team at Nemours Children's Hospital, Florida has received the Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association (CMTA) Center of Excellence (COE) distinction for their incredible care for CMT patients and their families. The CMTA is set to support the development of new drugs to treat CMT, improve the quality of life for people with CMT, and ultimately, find a cure.

Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease is a group of inherited disorders that cause nerve dysfunction. "The CMTAC COE recognition means families affected by this peripheral neuropathy can more easily find high quality care." Omer Abdul Hamid, MD, pediatric neurologist at Nemours Children's states "This certification ensures the health team serving their child are experts in this rare disease, offer a multidisciplinary approach to diagnosis and treatment plus have access to research opportunities for CMT."

The neuromuscular clinic at Nemours Children's Hospital in the Lake Nona Medical Center is honored to be recognized, "As the only pediatric hospital in Central Florida to hold this recognition. We hope to raise awareness in the community and offer high quality care and research opportunities to our families." says Rulla Starr, Neuromuscular Program Coordinator.

## **About Nemours Children's Health**

Nemours Children's Health is one of the nation's largest multistate pediatric health systems, which includes two free-standing children's hospitals and a network of more than 70 primary and specialty care practices. Nemours Children's seeks to transform the health of children by adopting a holistic health model that utilizes innovative, safe, and high-quality care, while also caring for the health of the whole child beyond medicine. Nemours Children's also powers the world's most-visited website for information on the health of children and teens, Nemours KidsHealth.org.

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