

# Integrating Care: Navigating the Intersection of Pediatric Oncology, Intensive Care & Pall Care

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Dr. Huyen is a pioneer in pediatric palliative care (PPC) in Vietnam. Graduating her master's degree in palliative care at King's College London, UK, Dr. Huyen leads the development of PPC in Vietnam by establishing the first PPC department at a tertiary pediatric hospital and teaching graduate and post-graduate medical students. Dr. Huyen has more than ten years of working in pediatric hospitals and six years of teaching at the University of Medicine and Pharmacy in Ho Chi Minh City. She also got involved in program development, international relations, and hospital management. Joining VinUni as an Associate Program Director, Dr. Huyen would like to contribute to the progression of building a prestigious pediatrics residency program in alignment with the vision of VinUni being a world-leading university.



**Michael J. McNeil MD, MPH**  
**Instructor, St. Jude Faculty**  
**Director, St. Jude Global Palliative Care Program**  
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Dr. McNeil is a combined Pediatric Hematology-Oncology and Hospice and Palliative Medicine physician at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and the Director of the St. Jude Global Palliative Care Program. His clinical and research focus is on defining the current state of palliative care in underserved communities throughout the world and driving improvement interventions to relieve suffering of patients and families facing the challenges of pediatric cancer through culturally sensitive projects in education, implementation, and advocacy. This research is in conjunction with his clinical time in pediatric oncology and hospice and palliative medicine implementing evidence-based practices to advance cures and reduce suffering for children with cancer around the world. He has an incredibly patient wife who puts up with him and they have 4 active and entertaining boys. They are his world.



**Andrea CuvIELLO, MD, FAAP**  
**Assistant Clinical Professor, University of Arizona**  
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Andrea J. CuvIELLO, MD, is a pediatric hematologist, oncologist and palliative care specialist. She works as a palliative medicine physician at Phoenix Children's. Dr. CuvIELLO joined the palliative care team at Phoenix Children's because of the program's excellent reputation for patient care services, as well as opportunities for clinical and academic research. After graduating with a bachelor's degree from McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, Dr. CuvIELLO earned her medical degree from the University of Medicine and Health Sciences in Basseterre, St. Kitt's. She completed her pediatric residency training at Sinai Hospital in Baltimore. Dr. CuvIELLO went on to complete a fellowship in hematology/oncology at Johns Hopkins University and the National Institutes of Health in Baltimore, and a fellowship in palliative medicine at the University of Tennessee Health Services and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee.



**Melissa Hines, MD**  
**Associate Member, St. Jude Faculty**  
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Dr. Hines is an associate professor in the Division of Critical Care at St Jude Children’s Research Hospital in Memphis, TN, USA. In addition to clinical work and research in onco-critical care, she is the director of the Histiocytosis and Immune Dysregulation Treatment Team that specializes in the care of patients with a myriad of hyperinflammatory disorders, including HLH and refractory cytokine release syndrome. She has a special interest in the use of JAKi in hyperinflammatory syndromes and is the principal investigator of a clinical trial testing the efficacy of ruxolitinib in pediatric HLH.



**Michelle L. Hermiston, MD, PhD**  
**Professor, Department of Pediatrics (Pediatric Hematology / Oncology)**  
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Dr. Michelle Hermiston is Professor of Pediatrics at the University of California San Francisco Benioff Children's Hospital. She earned her MD and PhD degrees at Washington University School of Medicine. She completed residency in pediatrics and fellowship in pediatric hematology and oncology at UCSF before joining the faculty in 2003. She built and leads the UCSF Benioff Children’s Hospital Pediatric Immunotherapy Program, Directs the Core Inquiry Curriculum in the School of Medicine, and is Associate Director of the Helen Diller Comprehensive Cancer Center Global Cancer Program. She helped develop the first ever Ministry of Health approved training program in Pediatric Hematology-Oncology at the University of Medicine and Pharmacy in Ho Chi Minh and is an adjunct Professor of Medicine at VinUniversity in Hanoi. She is a founding member of the North American Consortium for Histiocytoses (NACHO), chairs the Histiocyte Society Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis Committee, and is Vice Chair for the Children’s Oncology Group Non Hodgkin Lymphoma Steering Committee.



**Caitlyn Duffy**  
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Caitlyn Duffy, MD, MPH is a pediatric oncologist and implementation researcher at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital in the Department of Global Pediatric Medicine and Department of Oncology where she focuses on leukemia/lymphoma clinically, and pursues research focused on translation of complex novel therapies to resource varied settings. She graduated from the Medical College of Georgia, completed Pediatrics Residency at Monroe Carell Jr. Children’s Hospital at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, and Pediatric Hematology and Oncology Fellowship followed by a Global Pediatric Oncology Fellowship at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. She received a Master of Public Health with a Global Health Certificate from Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. As recipient of an ACSO Conquer Cancer Global Oncology Young Investigator Award, she leads an international, multicenter hybrid effectiveness-implementation study evaluating the implementation of a novel immunotherapy, blinatumomab, in varied resource settings. She is co-founder and co-lead of the SIOP Young Investigator LMIC working group.

