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Investiture Ceremony

for

Elizabeth A. Sellars, M.D.

as the recipient and steward of the
Committee for the Future
Endowed Chair in Genetics

Jessica Snowden, M.D., M.S., MHPTT

as the recipient and steward of the
Horace C. Cabe Distinguished Chair
for Infectious Diseases

Thursday, May 27, 2021

4:00 p.m.

Virtual Celebration
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WELCOME

Fred Scarborough, CFRE

President, Arkansas Children's Foundation

REMARKS

Cam Patterson, M.D., M.B.A.

Chancellor

University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences

PRESENTATION AND CELEBRATION OF CHAIR RECIPIENTS

Elizabeth A. Sellars, M.D.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS AND INVESTITURE

Marcy Doderer, FACHE

President and CEO, Arkansas Children's

COLLEGIAL REMARKS

John Whitmore Robben, M.D.

Associate Professor

Division of Pediatric Anesthesiology and Pain Management

University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences

Department of Anesthesiology

Arkansas Children's Hospital

RESPONSE

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Gwenn Skar, M.D.

Assistant Professor
Pediatric Infectious Disease
University of Nebraska Medical Center

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CLOSING

Beverly Morrow, Chair

Arkansas Children's Hospital Board of Directors



HISTORY OF THE ENDOWED CHAIR

Endowed chairs are rich with tradition. The first named chair was established in 1502 when Lady Margaret Beaufort of Richmond, mother of Henry VII, established the Lady Margaret Professorship of Divinity at Cambridge and Oxford Universities in England.

Today, five centuries later, her gift still supports a continuous line of distinguished scholars—the Lady Margaret Professors. The custom was introduced to America by the English when the first of now more than 200 chairs was established at Harvard University, 50 years before the American Revolution.

An endowed chair is one of the highest academic honors for the holder and assists Arkansas Children's, in partnership with the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, in attracting and retaining strong clinicians, scientists and other caregivers who are leaders in their field of pediatric healthcare.

A single gift or group of designated gifts totaling \$1 million or more creates an endowed chair. The full amount of the gift is set aside in perpetuity, with the earnings dedicated to the support of the specific chairholder. In addition to strengthening the clinical, research and educational capabilities of the holder and his or her department, an endowed chair gives continuous and lasting recognition to the donor or donor group.

The centuries-old tradition of presenting a special medallion to the chairholder signifies the partnership of the donor, or donors, and the institution.



COMMITTEE FOR THE FUTURE ENDOWED CHAIR IN GENETICS

In 2009, members of Committee for the Future, a former volunteer group of young professionals in Pulaski County who supported Arkansas Children's Hospital (ACH), established an endowed chair with a \$1 million gift to the hospital.

Dr. Elizabeth A. Sellars, section chief of Genetics and Metabolism at ACH, will serve as the second holder of the Committee for the Future Endowed Chair in Genetics. Dr. Sellars will use the funds from the endowed chair for the benefit of the genetics program to meet clinical care, research and educational needs.

ELIZABETH A. SELLARS, M.D.

Elizabeth A. Sellars, M.D., is section chief of Genetics and Metabolism at Arkansas Children's Hospital (ACH). She is an associate professor of pediatrics and genetics and metabolism at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) and ACH.



Dr. Sellars serves as the medical director of the INSTEP (In Support, Teamwork, Education, and Partnership) Clinic for children with differences in sexual differentiation and development. She also serves as the co-medical director for the Neurofibromatosis Clinic at ACH. Both of these clinics are the only of their kind in Arkansas.

She is also the co-director of the UAMS genetic counseling master's program and the medical director of the Arkansas Reproductive Health Monitoring System for birth defect tracking and surveillance in Arkansas.

Dr. Sellars received a Bachelor of Science in biology from Davidson College in North Carolina in 2002 and earned her medical degree from UAMS in 2007. She completed a combined residency in pediatrics and genetics from Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center in 2012. She is dual board certified by the American Board of Pediatrics and the American Board of Medical Genetics and Genomics. Dr. Sellars is a fellow of the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics as well as the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Dr. Sellars succeeds Dr. Brad Schaefer, M.D., as the first endowed chair of genetics at ACH. Dr. Schaefer continues as a valued member of the genetics division, serving the children of Northwest Arkansas.



HORACE C. CABE DISTINGUISHED CHAIR FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Horace Clay Cabe was raised in Stamps, Arkansas. He served as one of the first pilots in the U.S. Navy during World War I. After graduation from the Harvard School of Business, he worked briefly in New York before returning to Arkansas to begin his career in the lumber industry. Mr. Cabe acquired timberland and instituted successful programs in reforestation and other land resource management practices. His family joined him, and together they built the Gurdon Lumber Company into one of the largest family-owned businesses in the state. The Horace C. Cabe Distinguished Chair for Infectious Diseases was fully funded in 1996 with gifts totaling \$1 million from the Horace C. Cabe Foundation.

Dr. Jessica Snowden serves as the chief of Pediatric Infectious Diseases at Arkansas Children's Hospital. She will use these funds to support clinical care, research and educational needs within the infectious diseases program.

JESSICA SNOWDEN, M.D., M.S., MHPTT

Jessica Snowden, M.D., M.S., MHPTT, is chief of the Division of Pediatric Infectious Diseases in the College of Medicine Department of Pediatrics at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) and Arkansas Children's Hospital.



Dr. Snowden is a nationally recognized expert in pediatric infectious diseases and pediatric clinical and translational research. She is vice chair of research for the Department of Pediatrics and associate director for Clinical and Translational Research at Arkansas Children's Research Institute.

She also serves as co-principal investigator of the NIH-funded IDEa (Institutional Development Awards Program) States Pediatric Clinical Trials Network Data Coordinating and Operations Center, directing clinical operations for trial implementation and professional development across a 17-state, NIH-funded research group.

Dr. Snowden also helps lead an active, NIH-funded basic science laboratory studying the role of age on the immune responses and neurologic outcomes following infections in the brain, so that improved prevention and treatment strategies for these infections can be designed. In addition to her basic science and clinical research, Dr. Snowden has a long history of active involvement in medical student, resident and fellow education.

Dr. Snowden serves on several national research committees, including the American Academy of Pediatrics Committee on Pediatric Research and the Infectious Disease Society of America Research Affairs Committee.

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ACH Auxiliary, Frueauff and Windgate Endowed Chair in Pediatric Dentistry

ACH Auxiliary John F. Redmon Endowed Chair in Urology

Arkansas Children's Endowed Chair in Gastroenterology

Jonathan Bates, MD Endowed Chair for Improving Children's Health

Lee Roy & Melba T. Beasley Endowed Chair in Radiology

John H. Bornhofen, MD Endowed Chair in Child Neurology

John Boyd Family Endowed Chair in Pediatric Nursing

John Boyd Family Endowed Chair in Pediatric Surgery

Cleveland C. Burton Endowed Chair in Pediatric Anesthesiology

Horace C. Cabe Distinguished Chair for Infectious Diseases

David and Stephanie Clark Distinguished Chair in Pediatric Cardiology

Committee for the Future Endowed Chair in Genetics

Lee and Bob Cress Endowed Chair in Pediatric Neurosurgery

Robert H. Fiser, Jr., MD Endowed Chair in Pediatrics

Rachel Fuller Endowed Chair in Burn

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James H. Hamlen, II / Robert Seibert, MD Endowed Chair in Pediatric Otolaryngology

Harvey and Bernice Jones Distinguished Chair in Developmental Pediatrics

Harvey and Bernice Jones Distinguished Chair in Pediatric Medicine

Jerry Jones, MD – ACH Auxiliary Endowed Chair in Child Maltreatment

ARKANSAS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL ENDOWED CHAIRS

Dr. and Mrs. Leeman King Endowed Chair in Pediatric Allergy

Jaxon C. Lee – Robert L. Saylor III, MD Endowed Chair in Hematology/Oncology

Log A Load For Kids Endowed Chair in Congenital Cardiac Disorders

Log A Load For Kids Endowed Chair in Emergency Medicine/Trauma

Log A Load For Kids Endowed Chair in Pediatric Cardiovascular Surgery

Betty A. Lowe, MD Distinguished Chair in Pediatric Education

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Jeff and Kathy Lewis Sanders College of Pharmacy Endowed Chair‡

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