



EDUCATION FOR KIDS AT RILEY

The School Program at Riley Hospital for Children at Indiana University Health serves and advocates for school-aged patients and their families. When a patient is in the hospital, his or her education does not stop. The majority of patients who are hospitalized are able to complete assignments from their general and/or special education classrooms.

“Whenever I tell others what I do, one of the first questions that I get is, ‘Do kids really like to do school when they are in the hospital?’ I always answer yes, because school is such a normal part of their lives while being in the hospital is not. We can provide that sense of normalcy during a time when their lives are a little chaotic.”

KRISTIN WIKEL

Supervisor of the Riley at IU Health School Program

The School Program supports students in kindergarten through 12th grade who come to Riley at IU Health for a variety of treatments. The School Program has a staff of eight teachers and one supervisor, all with various teaching licenses. Each Riley teacher partners with the patient’s school to provide normalcy while hospitalized.

Heather Siminski is one of those teachers. She graduated from Ball State University with a degree in elementary education. She’s worked at Riley Hospital for Children for eight years and enjoys building the relationships with the students in her unit to ensure they don’t miss out on academics just because they are in the hospital. The

teachers also work to ensure that an appropriate education plan is put in place prior to discharge.

“Just because they don’t look sick doesn’t mean this isn’t serious and they don’t need accommodations,” said Siminski. “These kids need a lot.”

During the 2016-2017 academic year, the School Program had 1,093 students receiving school services. There were more than 4,000 tutoring days. The School Program even supported 33 of our patients’ parents and siblings who are in school. In order to help our patients transition smoothly back to home and school, we provided 137 homebound services, Individualized Education Plan implementations, REACH visits and 504 plans.

“Thank you to the Riley teachers for going above and beyond for your students,” said Catherine J. Danyluk, director of the Office of Student Services and chief state attendance officer at the Indiana Department of Education. “Riley kids always tell me that their big worry is missing school. Riley teachers do a phenomenal job of connecting the student to their home school while they are in the hospital. Each student feels part of school and has motivation and hope for a return to school when they go home.”



2016 COMMUNITY IMPACT



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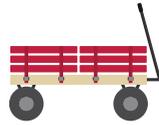
We are dedicated to delivering complex and acute care while making a child's hospital stay as positive as possible.



45k

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT VISITS

Riley Hospital for Children at IU Health is home to Indiana's only Level I Pediatric Trauma Center.



41k

MEDICAID PATIENTS

We are committed to providing medically necessary and emergency care regardless of a patient's ability to pay.



9,707

SURGERIES

Our surgeons provide children with the most advanced care available in Indiana and the Midwest.



\$32M

FROM FOUNDATION

Riley Children's Foundation staff raised more than \$32 million to fund Riley's top priorities— Pediatric Research and Patient Care, Maternity and Newborn Health, and Family Support Programs.



2,034

TEAM MEMBERS

Our team is committed to excellence and making a difference for children and families close to home and around the world.

12

8-WEEK CHANGE THE PLAY PROGRAM

With the help of Indianapolis Colts quarterback Andrew Luck, we encourage and challenge kids to make better choices about nutrition and exercise through an 8-week challenge, kids club and summer camps.



256k

OUTPATIENT VISITS

We have offices across the state, giving more patients access to the latest innovations and treatment options than ever before.



3,162

PATIENTS RECEIVED FREE OR REDUCED COST CARE

As a nonprofit healthcare organization, serving the community is at the heart of our mission. Riley Hospital for Children at IU Health treats all patients and has a long-standing policy to provide charity care (free or reduced-cost medical care) to the uninsured, low income and medically indigent patients.

HOSPITAL DESIGNATIONS

Designated a Magnet hospital since 2004, Riley Hospital for Children is home to Indiana's only Level I Pediatric Trauma Center, Pediatric Burn Unit, Pediatric Stem Cell Transplantation Program and Pediatric Dialysis Program.



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