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**EDUCATION** Bachelor of Arts, *magna cum laude*, 1999  
College of Arts and Sciences  
Washington University in St. Louis  
St. Louis, Missouri

Doctor of Medicine, 2003  
School of Medicine  
Washington University in St. Louis  
St. Louis, Missouri

Master of Science, Clinical Science, 2013  
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences  
University of Texas Southwestern  
Dallas, Texas

**RESIDENCY** Resident, General Surgery, 2003-2007  
Barnes-Jewish Hospital & Washington University School of  
Medicine  
St. Louis, Missouri

Administrative Chief Resident, General Surgery, 2007-2008  
Barnes-Jewish Hospital & Washington University School of  
Medicine  
St. Louis, Missouri

**FELLOWSHIP** Fellow, Pediatric Surgery, 2008-2010  
Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, Medical College of Wisconsin  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

**BOARD  
CERTIFICATION** American Board of Surgery, General Surgery, 2009 (Exp: 2027)  
American Board of Surgery, Pediatric Surgery, 2011 (Exp: 2027)

**MEDICAL LICENSURE** Missouri: 2015032518 (Exp: 1/2026)

## **ADDITIONAL CERTIFICATIONS**

Artificial Intelligence: Implications for Business Strategy Certificate, 2019  
Sloan School of Management  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Boston, Massachusetts

Graduate Finance Certificate, 2016  
Edwin L. Cox School of Business  
Southern Methodist University  
Dallas, Texas

Clinical Safety and Effectiveness, 2012  
University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center  
Dallas, Texas

## **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

Market Leader, Physician Solutions  
Korn Ferry  
Philadelphia, PA  
2026 - Present

Adjunct Associate Professor  
Director, Bander Center for Medical Business Ethics  
Course Director: Leadership in the Business of Medicine  
Saint Louis University  
Department of Surgery  
St. Louis, Missouri  
2025 – Present

Founder & Principal  
Li Ern Chen, MD, LLC  
Strategic Healthcare Consulting  
St. Louis, Missouri  
2019 – Present

Chief Population Health Officer  
Catalight  
Walnut Creek, CA  
2022 – 2024

ChenMed  
Miami, Florida  
Chief Medical Officer, Hospital and Community Care  
2022  
Vice President, Clinical Strategy and Efficiency  
2021 - 2022  
Medical Director, Network and Transitional Care  
2020 - 2021  
January 2025

Vice President, Business Innovation and Patient Safety  
Mercy  
St. Louis, Missouri  
2017 - 2018

Baylor Scott & White Health  
Dallas, Texas  
Vice President, Surgery  
2016 – 2017  
Medical Director of Surgical Services  
2016 – 2016

Director of Outcomes Research, Department of Surgery  
Baylor University Medical Center  
Dallas, Texas  
2014 – 2017

Associate Professor  
Department of Surgery  
Texas A&M University  
Dallas, Texas  
2014 – 2017

Founder and Director  
Clinical Pathways Program  
Children's Health  
Dallas, Texas  
2011 – 2014

Founder and Director  
Fetal Evaluation and Treatment Alliance (FETAL)  
University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center  
2011 – 2012

Assistant Professor  
Department of Surgery, Division of Pediatric Surgery  
University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center  
Dallas, Texas  
2010 – 2014

## **PROFESSIONAL AWARDS**

YWCA Leader in the Workplace Award, 2018

Physicians Understanding, Respecting and Engaging (PURE) Supply Chain Award  
Healthcare Purchasing News, 2016

Enterprise HIMSS Davies Award of Excellence (Clinical Pathways Program)  
Awarded to Children's Medical Center, 2013

Recognition for Medical Student Teaching  
Department of Surgery  
Washington University School of Medicine, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008

Alpha Omega Alpha  
Washington University School of Medicine, 2003

Alpha Omega Alpha Book Prize  
Washington University School of Medicine, 2003

Jessie L. Ternberg Award  
Washington University School of Medicine, 2003  
Dr. Harvey Butcher Prize in Surgery  
Washington University School of Medicine, 2003

Irwin Levy Prize in Neurology and Neurosurgery  
Washington University School of Medicine, 2003

Resident Best Paper Award  
Canadian Association of Pediatric Surgeons Annual Meeting, 2002

American College of Physicians – American Society of Internal Medicine Award for Excellence  
in Physical Diagnosis  
Washington University School of Medicine, 2001

Graduate Student Research Symposium, Second Place  
Washington University in St. Louis, 2000, 2003

## **COMMUNITY HONORS**

HateBraker Hero Award  
St. Louis, Missouri, 2016

President's Guide Award  
Singapore Girl Guides Association, Singapore, 1993

## **PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES**

2024 American Association for Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

2019 Association for Health Care Resource & Materials Management (AHRMM)

Physician Advisor to the Board, 2020 – 2023

2014 American College of Surgeons, Fellow

2012 American Academy of Pediatrics, Section on Surgery, Fellow

NICU Verification Program  
Surgeon Surveyor, 2017 – 2019

Committee on the Delivery of Surgical Care  
Chair, 2014 – 2016  
Vice-Chair, 2012 – 2014

Liaison and Advocacy Committee  
Member, 2013 – 2015

Council on Quality Improvement and Patient Safety  
Section on Surgery Liaison & Member, 2013 – 2015

2011 Pediatric Society of Greater Dallas  
Editorial Board  
Surgical representative, 2011 – 2017

2010 American Pediatric Surgical Association  
Outcomes and Clinical Trials (Outcomes and Evidence Based Practice) Committee  
Member, 2012 – 2015

2010 American Medical Association

2003 Alpha Omega Alpha

## **NATIONAL COMMITTEES**

American Association for Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities – National Goals for  
Health Equity  
2024 – 2025

Children’s Hospital Association Improving Pediatric Sepsis Outcomes National Expert Advisory  
Committee  
2015 – 2017

National Task Force for Children’s Surgical Care  
2012 – 2016

ACS National Surgical Quality Improvement Program – Pediatric, Data Definitions Committee  
2011 – 2014

## **INSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEES**

Medical Executive Committee, Children’s Medical Center  
Surgical Representative at Large, 2013 – 2014

Physician Advisory Council, Children’s Medical Center  
Member, 2013 – 2014

Continuing Medical Education (CME) Committee, Children’s Medical Center  
January 2025

Member, 2012 – 2014

Safe Surgery Checklist, Children's Medical Center  
Physician Champion, 2011 – 2014

Clinical Decision Support Committee, Children's Medical Center  
Member, 2011 – 2014

Infection Control Committee, Children's Medical Center  
Member, 2011 – 2014

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

1. **Chen LE**, Minkes RK, Langer JC. Pediatric surgery on the Internet: is the truth out there? *J Pediatr Surg* 35:1179-1182, 2000.
2. Prabhakaran K, **Chen LE**, Quah SC. Is stapling feasible for small bowel anastomosis in neonates? *Singapore Pediatr J* 44:24-27, 2002.
3. **Chen LE**, Langer JC, Dillon PA, Foglia RP, Huddleston CB, Mendeloff EN, Minkes RK. Management of late-stage parapneumonic empyema. *J Pediatr Surg* 37:371-374, 2002.
4. **Chen LE**, Minkes RK, Shackelford PG, Strasberg SM, Kuo EY, Langer JC. Cut it out: managing hepatic abscesses in patients with chronic granulomatous disease. *J Pediatr Surg* 38:709-713, 2003.
5. Snyder AK, **Chen LE**, Foglia RP, Dillon PA, Minkes RK. An analysis of pediatric gunshot wounds treated at a Level I pediatric trauma center. *J Trauma* 54:1102-1106, 2003.
6. **Chen LE**, Snyder AK, Minkes RK, Dillon PA, Foglia RP. Trauma stat vs. trauma minor: are we making the call appropriately? *Pediatr Emerg Care* 20:421-425, 2004.
7. **Chen LE**, Minkes RK, Langer JC. Laparoscopic vs. open surgery for malrotation without volvulus. *Pediatr Endosurg Innov Tech* 7:433-438, 2004.
8. **Chen LE**, Halpin VJ, Whinney RR: Acute Cholecystitis. *Clin Evid* 15: 1-8, 2006.
9. **Chen LE**, Shepherd RW, Nadler ML, Chapman WC, Kotru A, Lowell JA. Liver transplantation and chemotherapy in children with unresectable primary hepatic malignancies: development of a management algorithm. *J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr* 43:487-493, 2006.
10. **Chen LE**, Bhalla S, Warner BW, Strasberg SM. Retrograde jejuno-duodenal intussusception: a rare cause of acute pancreatitis. *J Pediatr Surg* 43:E31-33, 2008.
11. **Chen LE**, Zamakhshary M, Aspelund G, Foglia RP, Copen DE, Langer JC. Impact of wait-time on outcomes in infant inguinal hernias. *Pediatr Surg Int* 25:223-227, 2009.
12. Saito JM, **Chen LE**, Hall BL et al. Risk-adjusted Hospital Outcomes for Children's Surgery. *Pediatrics* 132:e677-88, 2013.
13. **Task Force for Children's Surgical Care**. Optimal resources for children's surgical care in the United States. *J Am Coll Surg* 218:479-487, 2014.
14. Bezner SK, Hodgman EI, Diesen DL, Clayton J, Minkes RK, Langer JC, **Chen LE**. Pediatric surgery on YouTube: Is the truth out there? *J Pediatr Surg*, 49:586-589, 2014.
15. Goldin AB, Dasgupta R, **Chen LE**, Blakely ML, Islam S, Downard CD, Rangel SJ, St. Peter SD, Calkins CM, Arca MJ, Barnhart DC, Saito JM, Oldham KT, Abdullah F. Optimizing Resources for the Surgical Care of Children: An American Pediatric Surgical

- Association Outcomes and Clinical Trials Committee Consensus Statement. *J Pediatr Surg*. 49:818-822, 2014.
16. Bezner SK, Bernstein IH, Oldham, KT, Goldin AB, Fischer AC, **Chen LE**. Pediatric surgeons' attitudes toward regionalization of neonatal surgical care. *J Pediatr Surg* 49:1475-1479, 2014.
  17. Rangel SJ, Islam S, St. Peter SD, Goldin AB, Abdullah F, Downard CD, Saito JM, Blakely ML, Puligandla PS, Dasgupta R, Austin M, **Chen LE**, Renaud E, Arca MJ, Calkins CM. Prevention of infectious complications after elective colorectal surgery in children. An American Pediatric Surgical Association Outcomes and Clinical Trials Committee comprehensive review. *J Pediatr Surg* 50:192-200, 2015.
  18. Clayton JT, Reisch JS, Sanchez P, Fickes JL, Portillo CM, **Chen LE**. Postoperative Regimentation Of Treatment Optimizes Care & Optimizes Length of stay (PROTOCOL) after pyloromyotomy. *J Pediatr Surg* 50:1540-1543, 2015.
  19. Graziano K, Islam S, Dasgupta R, Lopez ME, Austin M, **Chen LE**, Goldin A, Downard CD, Renaud E, Abdullah F. Asymptomatic malrotation: Diagnosis and surgical management. An American Pediatric Surgical Association outcomes and evidence based practice committee systematic review. *J Pediatr Surg* 50:1783-1790, 2015.
  20. Langer JC, Gordon J, **Chen LE**. Sub-specialization within pediatric surgical groups in North America. *J Pediatr Surg* 51:143-148, 2016.
  21. **Chen LE**, Moore JE, Horsager-Boehrer R, Haley RW. Intrinsic Risk for Poor Outcome in Neonates Born with Gastroschisis: A Systematic Review. *JSM Pediatr Surg* 1:1003, 2017.
  22. Jen HC, Raval MV, Langham MR, Calkins CM, Dasgupta R, Shah SR, Safford SD, Bernstein IH, **Chen LE**, on behalf of the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Surgery, Committee on Delivery of Surgical Care. Attitudes and beliefs of pediatric surgical specialists on costs of care and high deductible health plans. *Am Surg* 84:1410-1414, 2018.
  23. Kwon J, Trexler N, Reisch JS, Pfeifer C, Ginos J, Powell JA, Veltkamp J, Anene A, Fernandes N, **Chen LE**. Correlating abdominal wall thickness and body mass index to predict usefulness of right lower quadrant ultrasound in pediatric appendicitis. *Pediatr Emerg Care*. *Pediatr Emerg Care* 36:e156-159, 2020.
  24. Lane J, Palacio A, **Chen LE**, McCarter D, Tamariz L, Chen C, Ghany R. Access to health care improves COVID-19 vaccination and mitigates health disparities among Medicare beneficiaries. *J Racial Ethn Health Disparities* 10:1569-1575, 2023.
  25. **Chen LE**, Befi MA, Liebert-Lewis R, King-Hubert M. Health profile, primary care and preventive care utilization in adults with IDD. *Rev Disabil Stud* 20:1-21, 2024.
  26. Schmidt EK, Lee MS, **Chen LE**, Riddle I, Jones JL, Arias A, Goode TD, Coffield CN. National Goals on Health Equity's Recommendations for Disability Competent Healthcare. *Inclusion* 13:203-213, 2025.
  27. Thussu S, Sneed L, McLean SE, **Chen LE**. The appendicitis hospital course is different for children with autism spectrum disorder. *World J Pediatr Surg (under review)*
  28. Fernandez KM, Ismail S, Agala CB, **Chen LE**, McLean SE. Surgical outcomes in children with intellectual and developmental disabilities. *J Pediatr Surg (under review)*

## Books

1. Klingensmith ME, **Chen LE**, Glasgow SC, Goers TA, Melby SJ (Eds.). The Washington Manual of Surgery, Fifth Edition. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2008.

## Book Chapters

1. **Chen LE**, Minkes RK: Diagnostic Laparoscopy, in Jones DB, Wu JS, Soper NJ, eds. *Laparoscopic Surgery: Principles and Procedures*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. New York: Marcel Dekker, Inc., 2004: 121-126.
2. **Chen LE**, Buchman TG: Acute Abdominal Pain and Appendicitis, in Klingensmith ME, Chen LE, Glasgow SC, Goers TA, Melby SJ, eds. *The Washington Manual of Surgery. Fifth Edition*. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2008: 199-213.
3. **Chen LE**, Freeman BD: Common Surgical Procedures, in Klingensmith ME, Chen LE, Glasgow SC, Goers TA, Melby SJ, eds. *The Washington Manual of Surgery. Fifth Edition*. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2008: 629-645.
4. **Chen LE**, Warner BW: Surgery, in Dusenbery SM, White AJ, eds. *The Washington Manual of Pediatrics*. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2009: 104-116.
5. **Chen LE**, Minkes RK, Palit TK, Bloss RS. Necrotizing Enterocolitis: Surgical Perspective. eMedicine from WebMD. Updated March 1, 2010. Available at: <http://emedicine.medscape.com/article/938721-overview>.
6. **Chen LE**, Minkes RK. Evaluation of the Pediatric Surgical Patient. eMedicine from WebMD. Updated May 24, 2011. Available at: <http://emedicine.medscape.com/article/936148-overview>.
7. **Chen LE**, Oldham KT: Congenital Malformations of the Lung, in Puri P, ed. *Newborn Surgery, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*. London: Hodder Arnold, 2011: Chapter 35.
8. **Chen LE**, Krummel TM, Moss RL, Oldham KT, Wandling MW. *Pediatric Surgery*, in Hoyt DB, Ko CY, eds. *Optimal Resources for Surgical Quality and Safety*. Chicago: American College of Surgeons, 2017.

## Abstracts Presented

1. **Chen LE**, Minkes RK, Langer JC. Laparoscopic vs. open surgery for malrotation without volvulus. American Pediatric Surgical Association Annual Meeting, 2000, 7<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Endoscopic Surgery, 2000, and Washington University Graduate Student Research Symposium, 2000.
2. **Chen LE**, Langer JC, Dillon PA, Foglia RP, Huddleston CB, Mendeloff EN, Minkes RK. Management of late-stage parapneumonic empyema. American Pediatric Surgical Association Annual Meeting, 2001.
3. Joerger SM, **Chen LE**, Kuo EY, Foglia RP. Getting down to the bottom of perineal trauma. Canadian Association of Paediatric Surgeons Annual Meeting, 2002.
4. **Chen LE**, Minkes RK, Shackelford PG, Strasberg SM, Kuo EY, Langer JC. Cut it out: managing hepatic abscesses in patients with chronic granulomatous disease. Canadian Association of Paediatric Surgeons Annual Meeting, 2002.
5. **Chen LE**, Snyder AK, Minkes RK, Dillon PA, Foglia RP. Trauma stat vs. trauma minor: are we making the call appropriately? Canadian Association of Paediatric Surgeons Annual Meeting, 2002.
6. **Chen LE**, McAlister WH, Mychaliska GB. Are we itinerant in our diagnosis of the wandering spleen? Washington University Graduate Student Research Symposium, 2003.
7. **Chen LE**, Herman TE, Wall LB, Gurley JM, Molter DW, Hovsepian DM, Mallory SB, Mychaliska GB. The spectrum of lymphatic malformations: does cyst morphology or lesion location influence outcome? British Association of Paediatric Surgeons 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Congress, 2003.
8. **Chen LE**, Shepherd RW, Nadler ML, Chapman WC, Kotru A, Lowell JA. Liver transplantation and chemotherapy in children with unresectable primary hepatic malignancies: development of a management algorithm. International Pediatric

Transplant Association Congress and Western Surgical Association Annual Scientific Session, 2005.

9. **Chen LE**, Zamakhshary M, Aspelund G, Foglia RP, Coplen DE, Langer JC. Impact of wait-time on outcomes in infant inguinal hernias. Canadian Association of Paediatric Surgeons Annual Meeting, 2006.
10. **Chen LE**, Miura JT, Lal DR. Laparoscopic liver resection for localized Caroli's disease in a pediatric patient. Annual Meeting of the Wisconsin Surgical Society, 2009.
11. Brahmamdam P, Fischer AC, Elliott AC, Reisch JS, **Chen LE**. Pectus excavatum repair: A description of the types of hospitals where repairs are performed and an analysis of outcomes by hospital type. Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Pediatrics, 2012.
12. Geoffrion TR, Haley RW, Elliott AC, Reisch JS, **Chen LE**. What factors influence the type of hospital where surgical neonates present for care? North Texas Chapter of the American College of Surgeons Annual Meeting, 2013.
13. Hodgman EI, Bezner SK, Diesen DL, Clayton J, Minkes RK, Langer JC, **Chen LE**. Pediatric surgery on YouTube: Is the truth out there? North Texas Chapter of the American College of Surgeons Annual Meeting, 2013.
14. **Chen LE**, Bernstein IH, Goldin AB, Fischer AC, Oldham KT. Pediatric surgeons' attitudes toward regionalization of neonatal surgical care: an APSA member survey. North Texas Chapter of the American College of Surgeons Annual Meeting, 2013.
15. Clayton JT, Bernstein IH, **Chen LE**. Discordance in operating room safety attitudes: Does safety lie in the eye of the beholder? National Patient Safety Foundation Annual Congress, 2013.
16. Kwon JK, **Chen LE**. Improving the performance of appendix ultrasound examinations: The step-by-step process undertaken at a dedicated pediatric healthcare facility. Society for Pediatric Radiology Annual Meeting, 2013.
17. Chang HL, Oldham KT, Moss RL, **Chen LE**. Differential baseline neonatal surgical outcomes between early participants and non-participants of ACS-NSQIP-Pediatric. ACS NSQIP National Conference, 2013.
18. **Chen LE**, Pop RS. Improving patient care and reducing resource utilization: Impact of an appendicitis clinical pathway. North Texas Chapter of the American College of Surgeons Annual Meeting, 2014.
19. Clayton JT, Fickes JL, Reisch JS, Sanchez P, **Chen LE**. Postoperative Regimentation Of Treatment Optimizes Care & Optimizes Length of stay (PROTOCOL) after pyloromyotomy. North Texas Chapter of the American College of Surgeons Annual Meeting, 2014.
20. Fickes JL, **Chen LE**. How does a postoperative care protocol impact nursing care? A study of pyloromyotomy patients. American Pediatric Surgical Nurses Association Annual Meeting, 2014.
21. Badawy M, Kwan J, Pop RS, **Chen, LE**. Improving patient care and reducing resource utilization: Impact of an appendicitis clinical pathway. Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Pediatrics, 2014.
22. Kwon J, Khosla A, Badawy M, **Chen LE**. Clinically-based imaging algorithm for more efficient imaging utilization in suspected appendicitis in a pediatric population. American College of Radiology Annual Conference on Quality and Safety, 2015.
23. Langer JC, Gordon J, **Chen LE**. Sub-specialization within pediatric surgical groups in North America. American Pediatric Surgical Association Annual Meeting, 2015.
24. Jen H, Calkins C, Dasgupta R, Shah S, Safford S, Bernstein I, Langham M, **Chen LE**. Pediatric surgical specialists are unaware if out-of-pocket cost influenced preoperative decisions. Academic Surgical Congress, 2016.

25. **Chen LE**, Befi MA, Liebert-Lewis R, King-Hubert M. Health profile, primary care and preventive care utilization in adults with IDD. PacRim Conference, 2024.
26. Thussu S, Sneed L, McLean SE, **Chen LE**. The appendicitis hospital course is different for children with autism spectrum disorder. AAIDD, Pediatric Hospital Medicine, 2024.
27. Fernandez KM, Ismail S, Agala CB, **Chen LE**, McLean SE. Surgical outcomes in children with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Pediatrics, 2024.

### **Lectures/Keynotes**

1. Pediatric Surgery Symposium, Anorectal Malformations, Red Rebagliati Hospital, Lima, Peru, September 2009
2. XV Congreso Peruano de Cirugia Pediatrica Congreso Internacional de Cirugia Pediatrica, Anorectal Malformations, Lima, Peru, September 2010
3. Division of Pediatric Maternal Fetal Medicine Grand Rounds, Sacrococcygeal Teratoma, Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas, TX, January 2011
4. Division of Pediatric Surgery Grand Rounds, Optimizing postoperative length of stay for infants with pyloric stenosis: can a standardized care protocol make a difference? University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, June 2011
5. Department of Surgery Grand Rounds, Beware the Baby who Vomits Bile, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, June 2011
6. Surgical Nursing Education, Concept, Use and Maintenance of Gastric Decompression Tubes, Children's Medical Center, July 2011
7. Neonatal and Pediatric ICU Nursing Education, Surgical Conditions of the Neonate, Children's Medical Center, August 2011
8. Department of Paediatric Surgery Grand Rounds, Tracheoesophageal Fistula and Esophageal Atresia, National University of Singapore, Singapore, August 2011
9. Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellows' Conference, Pediatric Trauma – Abdominal Solid Organ Injury, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, August 2011
10. Division of Pediatric Surgery Mid-Level Provider Conference, Concept, Use and Management of Chest Tubes, Children's Medical Center, September 2011
11. Simposio Internacional de Cirugia Pediatrica, Quality in Pediatric Surgery, Cusco, Peru, September 2011
12. UTSW Library Liaison Monthly Conference, Focus: Similarities in Photography and Literature Search, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, November 2011
13. Division of Pediatric Maternal Fetal Medicine Grand Rounds, Abdominal Wall Defects: Pediatric Surgical Perspective, Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas, TX, January 2012
14. Intensive Care Unit Nursing Professional Development Program, Abdominal Surgery and its Complications, Children's Medical Center, June 2012
15. Division of Pediatric Surgery Grand Rounds, Appendicitis: Evidence-based Guideline for Diagnosis, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, July 2012
16. Division of Pediatric Surgery Grand Rounds, Appendicitis: Evidence-based Guideline for Therapy, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, August 2012
17. Simposio Internacional de Cirugia Pediatrica, Benchmarking in Pediatric Surgery, Chiclayo, Peru, September 2012
18. Intensive Care Unit Nursing Professional Development Program, Pediatric Surgical Problems and Line and Tube Management, Children's Medical Center, March 2013
19. A systematic review of existing evidence regarding resource requirements in children's surgery. American Pediatric Surgical Association 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, 2013

20. Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellows' Conference, Bilious vomiting in the neonate, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, June 2013
21. Baylor University Medical Center, Department of Surgery Grand Rounds, Tracheo-esophageal Fistula, July 2013
22. Curso Internacional de Cirugia Pediatrica, Patient Safety and Safety Culture, Arequipa, Peru, September 2013
23. 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Children's Hospital Association of Texas (CHAT) Pediatric Nursing Conference, Clinical Pathways, October 2013
24. Pediatric Emergency Services Network (PESN) Annual Conference, Pediatric Abdominal Pain and Appendicitis, November 2013
25. Congreso de Cirugia Pediatrica, Morbidity and Mortality Conference, Piura, Peru, September 2014
26. Curso Internacional de Pediatria y Cirugia Pediatrica, Professional Introspection, Lima, Peru, September 2015
27. American Pediatric Surgical Association 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Non-accidental trauma. May 2016
28. Congreso Internacional de Cirugia Pediatrica y Trasplante, Quality and safety when resources are limited, Lima, Peru, September 2016
29. Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons, All grown up! Managing adults with congenial surgical anomalies, March 2017
30. Children's Health™ Transfusion and Laboratory Medicine Conference, Partnerships to make care safer, March 2017
31. Washington University School of Medicine Reunion, Care delivery on a large scale: The physician's role, April 2018
32. Strategic Marketplace Initiative, Keynote Address - Converging pathways: Accelerating toward the future supply chain, October 2018
33. Smiths Medial, Achieving value-based care, Jan 2019
34. IDN Summit, In pursuit of the quadruple aim: Changing the Physician-Supply Chain conversation, April 2019
35. GHX Summit, Supply Chain: Backbone to achieving the quadruple aim, April 2019
36. IDN Insights, Effective clinician and supply chain engagement in a value-based world, May 2019
37. IDN Summit, Data as a clinical integration enabler, September 2019
38. Enhance your Impact Conference, Social Determinants of Health: Why they matter to Autistic Children, January 2023
39. Zero to Three, Decreasing Disparities in Early Identification and Intervention of Autism Spectrum Disorder Using Telehealth and Parent-Mediated Approaches, September 2023
40. TASH, The Clinician's Influence on Social Determinants of Health, November 2023

## GRANTS

Hall and Mary Lucille Shannon Distinguished Chair in Surgery Fund  
\$25,000, January 2012

**Chen LE**, Haley R, Reisch J, Elliott A, Oldham KT

Where does neonatal surgery occur in the USA? Do outcomes differ by hospital type? A study using the HCUP KID 2009 database.

Children's Medical Center Foundation, Children's Clinical Research Advisory Committee  
\$51,803, July 2011

**Chen LE**, Reisch J, Sanchez P

Optimizing postoperative length of stay for infants with pyloric stenosis: can a standardized care protocol make a difference?

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

### **Peer-reviewed Journal Manuscript Review (ad hoc)**

Annals of Surgery  
Journal of the American College of Surgeons  
Journal of Pediatric Surgery  
Journal of Surgical Research  
Pediatrics  
Pediatric Quality & Safety

### **Medical Volunteerism**

Yantalo Peru Foundation  
Annual, 2009 – 2016

## **COMMUNITY-BASED ACTIVITIES**

### **Washington University in St. Louis**

Alumni and Parent Admission Program  
2010 – Present  
National Council for Student Affairs  
2013 – 2022  
Dallas-Fort Worth Eliot Society Committee  
2015 – 2017  
LCME Institutional Self-Study Task Force  
2005 – 2007  
Commission on the Curriculum for Arts and Sciences  
College of Arts and Sciences  
1997 – 1999

### **St. Louis Skating Club**

Vice President  
2025 – 2026  
Board member  
2023 – Present

## **MENTORING**

### **Residents**

Sarah Greenberg, MD, MPH (2008 – 2017)  
Joshua Clayton, MD (2011 – 2017)  
Erica Hodgman, MD (2012 – 2016)  
Stephanie Bezner, MD, PhD (2012 – 2022)  
Shreeya Thussu, MD (2023 – present)

### **Nurses**

January 2025

Daniel Hronek, RN (2016 – present)  
Denise Williams, RN (2017 – 2022)  
Courtney Schlueter, LPN (2020 – present)