Dr. Walid Farhat has been selected to serve as Associate Editor of Pediatric Surgery.

Jennika Finup, NP was awarded Abstract of the Year at the Pediatric Urology Nurses and Specialists Annual Meeting.

Dr. Frank Lin was recently featured in a news story by WKOW-Madison about dispelling stigma around pelvic floor disorders and encouraging women to seek help from healthcare providers. The article can be found here.

The UW Division of Pediatric Urology and the American University of Beirut Medical College (AUBMC) have started collaborating on Grand Round Presentations. Faculty, residents, and students from the AUBMC will attend our lectures and grand round presentations on a weekly basis. The faculty at UW will dedicate bi-monthly lectures to AUBMC and offer their expertise through case discussions. The partnership will also foster research collaboration between our institutions and allow training opportunities in the future.

Pediatric Urology Update

The Division of Pediatric Urology had an active presence at professional meetings this year, including the Society for Pediatric Urology (SPU) Fall Congress as well as the Pediatric Urology Nurses & Specialists (PUNS) Annual Meeting. Below are some highlights from both meetings:
Society for Pediatric Urology

Moderated discussions:

“Antibiotic Prophylaxis on UTI Rate after Pediatric Kidney Transplant”
*Ruthie Su, MD, MS, Jordan Krieger, MD, Michael Semanik, MD, Vinaya Bhatia, MD, Walid Farhat, MD, Ellen Wald, MD*

“Anxiety Behaviors are Affected in Juvenile Gli2+/- and Gli3+/- Mutant Mice”
*Anthony Auger, PhD, Joan Jorgensen, DVM, Rithika Nurani, BSc, Wade Bushman, MD, Walid Farhat, MD*

“Is the Prevalence of Occult Neuropsychiatric Disorders Underestimated in Pediatric Bowel and Bladder Dysfunction?”
*Jennika L. Finup, NP, Shannon Cannon, MD, Martha J. Walter, PhD, Ruthie R. Su, MD, Dana M. Perry, NP, Sarah Truscott, RN, BSN, Fardod O’Kelly, MD, Vinaya P. Bhatia, MD, Walid Farhat, MD*

“Long-Term Outcomes in Children with Renal Transplants into Vescostomy”
*Shannon Cannon, MD, Ashley W. Johnston, MD, Rosalia Misseri, MD, Neil J. Paloian, MD, Mark P. Cain, MD, Walid A. Farhat, MD*

Posters:

“Current State of Inclusion and Diversity in Pediatric Urology Fellowship Programs”
*Jasmine Love, BS, Vinaya Bhatia, MD, Walid Farhat, MD, FACS, GPLLM, Shannon Cannon, MD*

“Identifying The Experts in Care Planning for Hypospadias – Results of a Qualitative Interview Study”
*Vinaya P. Bhatia, MD, Shannon Cannon, MD, Walid Farhat, MD, FRCSC, FACS, Marisa Hilliard, PhD*

“Relationship Between Socioeconomic Disparities and Hypospadias Repair: Outcome Analysis”
*Vinaya P. Bhatia, MD, Shannon Cannon, MD, Aimee Teo Broman, MA, Christina Kim, MD, FAAP, Ruthie Su, MD, MS, Walid Farhat, MD, FRCSC, FACS*

Pediatric Urology Nurses & Specialists

Moderated discussion:

Jennika Finup, MSN, CPNP led the discussion on “Bowel and Bladder Dysfunction (BBD) Clinic”

Abstracts:

“Safety and Efficacy of High Dose Intravesical Ditropan in the Management of Children with Neurogenic Detrusor Overactivity”
*Dana M. Perry, Vinaya P. Bhatia, Rocio Goodman, Hannah Hua, Walid A. Farhat*

“Utility of Renal and Bladder Ultrasound in the Management of Pediatric Bowel and Bladder Dysfunction”

Posters:

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16th Annual Pediatric Urology Laparoscopy Course a Success

The 16th Annual Pediatric Urology Laparoscopy Course, run by *Dr. Walid Farhat*, took place in person this year at Nationwide Children’s Hospital. Attended by 13 fellows and 14 faculty, the course consisted of lectures, case discussions, a dry Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery (FLS) skills lab, and a full day live model lab. The course also continued its tradition of conducting a FLS Masters Challenge among the faculty (pictured). Overall, the course was another great success and well received by all.