

# MORNING CMO REPORT

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## Adolescent & Young Adult Specialized HIV Care Center

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HIV Care Center  
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In mentioning the name change for the DAC to Immune Health Services (HIS), I may have inadvertently suggested that they were the only group at Upstate working in that space. Clearly this is not the case. Wanted to be sure to mention two related groups:

The Adolescent & Young Adult Specialized Care Center (SCC) is a New York State AIDS Institute grant-funded program of the Pediatric Infectious Disease Division which is dedicated to providing comprehensive HIV primary care and support services to adolescents and young adults living with HIV through age 21. A special focus of The SCC is to prepare adolescents and young adults to successfully engage in adult care. The SCC works collaboratively with the Adult Immune Health Services to provide a seamless transition for at-risk and HIV positive young adults to adult care. The SCC recently added a PrEP Health Education Specialist to the team to support the New York State Governor's Campaign to end the AIDS Epidemic by 2020 by promoting the use of Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) and Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP) as HIV prevention for HIV negative, at-risk individuals. The PrEP Specialist is working with consumers, community partners and providers to provide education and referrals for at-risk individuals.

## Pediatric & Adolescent Infectious Disease & Immunology Center

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Infection Disease  
& Immunology  
Center  
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The Pediatric & Adolescent Infectious Disease & Immunology Center provides diagnostic and management services for a wide range of patients, newborns to 21 years of age including those with complex infectious disease issues and congenital and acquired non-HIV immunodeficiency disorders. Additionally, The Center is the NYSDOH designated primary referral site for all newborns, infants and children being evaluated and/or treated for HIV infection or HIV exposure. The Center also serves as the NYSDOH designated primary referral site for immunodeficiency disorders identified by New York State's Newborn Screening Program.

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## Outstanding Physician Comments

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Physician  
Comments  
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Each week we receive written comments from our patients regarding the care we provide within the Hospital. Below are this week's comments from grateful patients receiving care on the units and clinics at Upstate:

**6A** – Dr. Hess very involved & compassionate. ER Docs - good.  
Doctors were great and professional.

**University Cardiology** – Dr. Bhatta is EXCELLENT in all above categories.  
Dr. Bhatta is very knowledgeable & caring. Good at communicating her plans for my care.

**Dental Service** – Dr. Patrick Smith, excellent care & professionalism.

**University Center for Vision Care** – Dr. Andrews is highly qualified and we have the utmost confidence in him, his diagnosis and treatment. I loved how he treated my mother. Dr. Andrews for his knowledge, concern and communication skills.  
Dr. Hoepner has been awesome for 20+ years.  
Dr. Alpert; professional/kind.

**Breast Care Center** – Dr. Albert was kind, understanding, and made the time to listen and answer our questions.

**Joslin Center for Diabetes** – Dr. Desimone is always proficient, caring and patient.

**Upstate Pediatrics** – Dr. Schurman is very helpful and makes me feel comfortable.

**Surgery UH** – Dr. Amankwah; he is a wonderful & caring doctor and I would recommend him to EVERYONE.

**Surgery – Harrison Center** – Dr. Gibson was very professional & compassionate.

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