



National Jewish Health Opens Vail Clinic

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DENVER — National Jewish Health, through its Pediatric program NJ4kids, is bringing its world-renowned expertise in pediatric respiratory and allergic diseases to the Vail Valley. Beginning November 14, in cooperation with Vail Valley Medical Center, National Jewish pediatric specialists will see patients on the second Friday of every month at the Shaw Regional Cancer Center Building, 322 Beard Creek Road, in Edwards. Patients and physicians can call 1-800-621-0505, extension 1355 | Option 4 for an appointment.

"We realize that many patients want to see our pediatric specialists but find it difficult to make the trip to Denver," said Erwin Gelfand, MD, Chair of Pediatrics at National Jewish Health. "So we are coming to the Vail Valley instead."

Each month, pediatric allergist/immunologist David Fleischer, MD, and pediatric pulmonologist Gary Larsen, MD, will see patients suffering from allergies, asthma, atopic dermatitis, recurrent infections, sinusitis and pulmonary problems. Dr. Fleischer is board-certified in pediatrics and pediatric allergy/immunology. His interests include allergy and asthma, with a special focus on food allergy. Dr. Larsen is board-certified in pediatrics and pediatric pulmonology. His clinical interests include asthma in children, pulmonary medicine, pulmonary inflammation, airway responsiveness, and control of airway function.

About National Jewish Health

National Jewish Health is known worldwide for treatment of patients with respiratory, immune, cardiac and related disorders, and for groundbreaking medical research. Since 1998, *U.S. News & World Report* has ranked National Jewish the No. 1 respiratory hospital in the nation. Thirteen of its physicians, including Dr. Larsen, have been recognized in *America's Top Doctors*, published by Castle Connolly. In addition to receiving world-class care, National Jewish patients frequently have opportunities to participate in clinical trials of promising medications not yet on the market.

About Vail Valley Medical Center

Vail Valley Medical Center is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization. It is governed by a Board of Directors composed of community leaders. The hospital receives support directly from the community and through Vail Valley Medical Center Foundation, which has been established to increase endowment funds available to the hospital. The Board, administration, employees and physicians at Vail Valley Medical Center are committed to continuous quality improvement, the centerpiece for creating an organization that provides excellence in service to each customer it serves. Vail Valley Medical Center is an equal-opportunity employer. It is handicap accessible and adheres to the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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National Jewish Health is the leading respiratory hospital in the nation. Founded 124 years ago as a nonprofit hospital, National Jewish Health today is the only facility in the world dedicated exclusively to groundbreaking medical research and treatment of patients with respiratory, cardiac, immune and related disorders. Patients and families come to National Jewish Health from around the world to receive cutting-edge, comprehensive, coordinated care. To learn more, visit the media resources page.

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