

## Child Health Institute

A new and expansive vision for improving children's health in Washoe County, the Child Health Institute will advance a revolutionary new way of thinking about children's health.

The Institute will be established over the next year thanks to \$5 million in seed funding from Renown Health. The funding represents a \$1 million dollar per year commitment for each of the next five years. It speaks to Renown's vision of working with our partners to inspire better health in the community.



"If we are to give all children in the community the opportunity to realize their full potential, we need to radically change our approach," said Dr. Tony Slonim, President and CEO. "I am delighted that we are able to do more than just talk about improving child health, and actually put some meaningful dollars behind a new vision."

This new Institute will work to advance child health through five centers, each with a critically important mission:

- Center for Health Professions Education. In partnership with the University of Nevada School of Medicine, the center will increase the number of well-trained pediatric professionals to serve northern Nevada children.
- Center for Health Services Research. Primarily in partnership with University of Nevada School of Community Health Sciences, the center will improve the lives of children and families in northern Nevada through best practice research and a data registry of health needs.
- Center for Healthcare Delivery will bring healthcare partners together to better coordinate and improve children's healthcare throughout the region.
- The Center for Child & Family Potential will work to improve the lives of children and their families.
- The Center for Social Justice will seek to improve access to food, primary education, adequate housing, job training and healthcare for everyone in our region.

Dr. Slonim said the Institute envisions a holistic approach to improving the health and well-being of our region's kids. "We will be working with numerous individuals and organizations already involved with improving children's lives," he said, "and we will

need to draw upon the engagement of all stakeholders to help make this vision for a healthier community a reality."

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