



Hearts for Life across the World

WORLD DATABASE FOR PEDIATRIC AND CONGENITAL HEART SURGERY

Every child born anywhere in the world with a congenital heart defect should have access to appropriate medical and surgical care!

JOIN THE WORLD DATABASE!

Mission

As part of the mission of the World Society for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery, the World Database for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery has been developed and will be maintained for the purposes of furthering knowledge concerning the global practice and outcomes of pediatric and congenital heart surgery; fostering an environment of quality improvement in participating hospitals, without geographic constraints regarding eligibility for participation; and promoting scientific investigation and publication based on analyses of this world database, with collaboration among a wide array of international colleagues.

How can I enroll my hospital?

➤ Interested in learning more? Visit the link below and provide your contact information. A WDPCHS representative will reach out to you with more information.

www.uab.edu/medicine/wdpchs/learnmore

➤ At least one member of the institution should be a member in good standing of the WSPCHS.

➤ Sign and return the WSPCHS Data Use Agreement and Participation Agreement.

**Data
Coordinating
Center:**

UAB KIRSO
Kirklin Institute for Research
in Surgical Outcomes

FREE Database Participation

64 hospitals participating from **21** countries

Tier 1 and Tier 2 Surgeries Entered

12,227 Tier 1 Surgeries Entered

9,309 Tier 2 Surgeries Entered

21,536 Total Surgeries Entered*

*As of October 2019

Tier 1 Surgeries

Index surgeries with expanded data collection including 1 year follow-up

Tier 2 Surgeries

All other surgeries with minimal data collection

Just over two years ago, congenital heart surgeons within China and leaders of the WDPCHS embarked on an effort to create a Chinese National Congenital Heart Surgery Database. Utilizing the structure and variables set forth by the WDPCHS, the Chinese national database officially started accepting patients early in 2018. Currently, 16 centers within the country are contributing to this database. Because of this collaboration, these databases are linked with the WDPCHS accepting cases from Chinese centers via the Chinese national database. This success has again added to the mission of the World Society for Pediatric and Congenital Surgery, in creating a platform for information exchange across the globe.

- James D. St. Louis, MD
Secretary WDPCHS