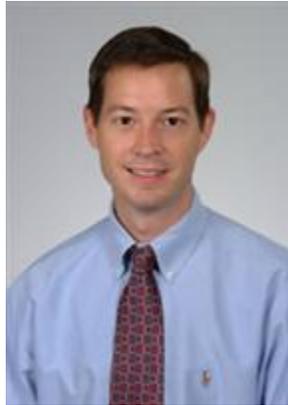


# Meet the Medical Director

Dr. Eric M. Graham



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1. **Name/Credentials**

Eric M. Graham, M.D.

Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Cardiology

Medical Director of the Pediatric Cardiac Intensive Care Unit

Director of the Pediatric Cardiology Fellowship Training Program

2. **What is your role/main focus?**

My clinical role is an attending physician in the pediatric cardiac intensive care unit. My passion is taking care of critically ill children with congenital and acquired heart disease. I enjoy the fast-paced environment of the cardiac intensive care unit, as well as supporting the families of these children through their difficult time. My research interests focus on understanding and modulating the inflammatory response in neonates and infants following cardiopulmonary bypass; my research in that area is funded through the NIH and American College of Cardiology. I also really enjoy being part of the fellowship training program and having the opportunity to help train the future leaders in our field.

3. **What is something you would like the physicians/your peers to know about your specialty?**

The majority of children with congenital heart disease can live long, productive and happy lives. Our outcomes following cardiac surgery here at MUSC are among the very best in the world! I think a lot of people don't realize how good we are here, but our outcomes really can compete with anybody in the world. We are very proud of that.

4. **What do you believe are MUSC's greatest opportunities?**

The physicians, nurses, therapists and staff that I have the privilege to work with have a commitment to provide outstanding patient care in a very collegial environment. When you surround yourself with intelligent, hard-working, motivated colleagues, you can accomplish a lot.

5. **How long have you been at MUSC and what brought you here?**

I came to MUSC in 1999 to begin my pediatric residency, and then completed my pediatric cardiology fellowship after that. I joined the faculty in 2005. I chose to stay here because of my outstanding mentors, colleagues and our outcomes.

6. **Where did you grow up?**

Champaign, Illinois.

7. **What do you like to do in your free time?**

I don't have a lot of free time outside of work, but I like to spend time with my family, go to the beach; I also enjoy running and Indiana University basketball.

8. **Is there anything you would like to add?**

It's wonderful to be part of the Children's Heart Program. In addition to providing exceptional clinical care, we are dedicated to MUSC's mission of promoting learning and discovery. Among our group there are some individuals who provide a lot of patient care, others that do more research, and still others who do more teaching. Yet, everyone in our group appreciates the value and importance of all of these responsibilities. Our individual talents tend to compliment one another's well and we work hard to support one another as we strive to advance patient care, research and teaching.