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Andrew J White, MD, is the Robert Wilmott Endowed Professor and Chair of the Department of Pediatrics at Saint Louis University and SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital. He is a pediatrician and pediatric rheumatologist/immunologist who specializes in the care of children with juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus, juvenile dermatomyositis, immunodeficiency, and other diseases of the immune system. He is internationally recognized as an expert in the care of children with Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia (HHT), also known as Osler-Weber-Rendu disease and he co-directed the Washington University Center of Excellence for HHT from 2004 to 2022.

A graduate of Brandeis University, Dr White attended the University of Chicago for graduate work in the laboratory of Philip Eaton, earning a master's in science in synthetic organic chemistry. After medical school at the University of Texas Southwestern, he matched in pediatrics at Washington University and St Louis Children's Hospital, where he then completed training in pediatric immunology and rheumatology, before joining the faculty in 2000. He became the division chief of pediatric rheumatology and Immunology in 2004, a role he held for 13 years, while he also served as the pediatric rheumatologist on staff at the Shriner's Hospital of St Louis.

Dr White created and ran the Division of General Academic Pediatrics at Washington University, which included sub-sections of Complex Care Clinic, Behavioral and Developmental Pediatrics, Pediatric PM&R (physiatry), and Community Pediatrics. Over a period of four years, he grew the program from 0 to 7 faculty members as its division chief.

He was appointed as the associate program director of the pediatric residency program in 1999 and became the director of the program in 2002, a position he held for 20 years. During his tenure as program director, Dr White nearly doubled the residency class size from 60 to over 100 physicians, and added formal pathways in combined pediatrics and genetics, global health, advocacy, and teaching. In 2008, Dr White spearheaded the creation of a pediatric specific, physician-scientist training pathway, under the direction of Alan Schwartz, PhD, MD which continues to this day. This program has graduated nearly 20 physician scientists, the majority of whom are funded investigators.

Dr White honed his clinical skills working with the late James P Keating MD in the St Louis Children's Hospital Diagnostic Center for over 12 years, working through unusual presentations of common as well as rare diseases, and provided exceptional service to patients with complex or undiagnosed medical illnesses. This work led to the publication of a book entitled Pediatric Diagnostic Medicine, a Collection of Cases, published in 2022.

As Vice-Chair of Education for the department of pediatrics since 2016, Dr White has had numerous roles. His work as editor of the Patient of the Week series, a unique teaching modality with over 3000 subscribers, has allowed his teaching to be shared far and wide. He has also served as the editor for the Washington Manual of Pediatrics series for 15 years, the third edition of which is due to be released in the fall of 2022.