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Christine Sethna, MD, EdM, is the Division Director of Pediatric Nephrology in the Department of Pediatrics at Cohen Children's Medical Center. Dr. Sethna earned a Bachelors of Arts from Tufts University, a Masters of Education from the Harvard Graduate School of Education and a Doctorate of Medicine from SUNY Downstate School of Medicine. She completed her post-graduate training in general pediatrics and pediatric nephrology at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. As part of her fellowship training, she received a professional certificate in biostatistics and epidemiology from the University of Pennsylvania.

The overall focus of Dr. Sethna's research program is on hypertension and cardiovascular outcomes in children. Specifically, the recent focus has been on cardiovascular outcomes in children with nephrotic syndrome. Dr. Sethna is the PI for a NIH/NIDDK-funded randomized clinical pilot trial for the treatment of transcutaneous auricular vagus nerve stimulation in children with nephrotic syndrome. She is also the PI for a NIH/NHLBLI-funded multi-center study investigating nocturnal hypertension in children with proteinuric glomerulopathies. In addition, Dr. Sethna is currently a Co-Investigator for the PENN PCC of CureGN.

Dr. Sethna is the Director of Pediatric Fellowships and Director of Resident Scholarly Activity for the Graduate Medical Education program at CCMC. She is a member of the Hofstra Northwell School of Medicine Admissions Committee. Dr. Sethna is an active member of numerous professional and scientific societies, including the American Society of Pediatric Nephrology (ASPN), American Society of Nephrology and Society for Pediatric Research. Dr. Sethna is the course director for the ASPN Pediatric Nephrology Board Review Course. Dr. Sethna received the designation of Nephrotic Syndrome Specialist from the Nephcure Kidney International Foundation.