

# Empower the Next Generation of Civic Leaders

*Lurie Children's Innovators is a program designed to bridge the gap between emerging leaders and philanthropy, unmatched by any leadership opportunity in Chicago. Together, Lurie Children's Innovators have invested nearly \$400,000 in the past two years, uniting individuals who want to make change happen and providing the opportunity to strategically leverage their collaborative giving power for a major impact on high-priority needs at Lurie Children's. As an Innovator, you:*



## NETWORK

Attend four annual engagement events and connect with a robust network of Chicago's leading business and community leaders.



## ACCESS

Gain exclusive access to medical center leaders and a behind-the-scenes view of our life-changing research and programs.



## IMPACT

Your investment is collectively pooled with other Innovators to directly impact programs in need of critical philanthropic support.



## DECIDE

Decide on next project to fund through a "Shark Tank" style event, hearing proposal pitches from clinicians and researchers.

## Sponsor an Innovator

*Set the Standard for Corporate Philanthropy and Unlock Your Employee's Potential with Lurie Children's Innovators*

**\$2,500**

### Match Employee's Contribution

Demonstrate your support by matching your employee's investment to participate in this uniquely engaging leadership program.

**\$5,000**

### Sponsor Full Membership

Step up as a corporate leader and nominate a **rising star** on your team to participate in Innovators.

## JOIN US

If you are interested in sponsoring an Innovator at your organization, please contact [innovators@luriechildrens.org](mailto:innovators@luriechildrens.org) to learn more.

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**“Skender Foundation strongly endorses the Innovators program. The program demonstrates Lurie Children’s dedication to provide the opportunity to directly engage with a cause we are passionate about. This is why we not only sponsor memberships but the Innovators program overall.”**

**Belinda Moore**

Executive Director | Skender Foundation

## About Lurie Children’s

In the 2019-2020 *U.S. News & World Report* rankings of the best children’s hospitals, Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago continues to be the top pediatric hospital in Illinois, ranked in all 10 specialties. Lurie Children’s provides superior pediatric care in a state-of-the-art hospital that offers the latest benefits and innovations in medical technology, family-friendly design and research through the Stanley Manne Children’s Research Institute. The main hospital is located in downtown Chicago on the campus of its academic partner, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. Lurie Children’s has a network of 13 outpatient centers and 15 partner hospitals, providing top pediatric care across the greater Chicago area. As a nonprofit hospital, Lurie Children’s relies on philanthropic support to care for nearly 213,000 children each year. Learn more at [luriechildrens.org](http://luriechildrens.org).

Interested in learning more about sponsoring a Lurie Children’s Innovator?  
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