

24/7 Pediatric Care Centers Expands With New Center In Orange Park

Dr. Lourdes Pitocchi to provide services at its newest location with extended hours

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<u>Pediatric Care Centers</u> announces it has expanded with the opening of its new location in Orange

Park. The center is located at 1543 Kingsley Avenue in Suite 9 of the <u>Kingsley Village Medical</u>

<u>Complex</u>. The practice is an acquisition. 24/7 Pediatric Care Center purchased the former practice
from the retiring Dr. Daya Patel who practiced in Orange Park for over 20 years. 24/7 Pediatric Care
Centers, based in Jacksonville, now has three locations providing expert pediatric care.

Patients at the Orange Park center will see Lourdes Pitocchi, MD and Gina Wilson, ARNP. Pitocchi is a native of Cuba who has called North Florida home since 1969. She joined 24/7 Pediatric Care Centers in 2005 and has been a pediatrician for 24 years. Gina Wilson, ARNP joined 24/7 Pediatric Care Centers' team in 2014 after earning a master's degree from Duke University.

The acquisition makes 24/7 Pediatric Care Centers one of the largest, locally-based and privatelyowned multi-location pediatric groups serving the city. The organization was founded on the premise that modern families need more flexibility in their schedules while also needing access to quality care from a physician who knows them and their child rather than visiting an urgent care center or an expensive and busy emergency room.

"We have been dedicated to providing local care to our local families with children," said Dr. Norberto Benitez. "Opening our Orange Park facility is an exciting expansion of this dedication to serve the entire metro area. We remain the only practice of our kind in the nation and we're proud to continue to offer this innovative approach to the practice of pediatrics."

Founded in 2005 by Norberto Benitez, the practice has grown to include four physicians and five advanced registered nurse practitioners (ARNPs). Support staff includes certified medical assistants, nurses and office administrators. While the center in Orange Park will not be open 24/7, it will have extended hours. It is open Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Pediatric Care Centers offers comprehensive pediatric services for newborns through adolescents, experienced and dedicated pediatricians and supporting medical staff, clean and modern equipment in three convenient locations, electronic scheduling, electronic medical records and e-prescription services. 24/7 KidCare prepaid coupons for exceptional care at discounted prices along with accepting most insurance plans and Medicaid. Consultations and care are available in English and Spanish.

24/7 Pediatric Care Center of Orange Park is currently accepting <u>new patients</u> from newborns to teenagers, for every situation from routine check-ups to treatment of more complex conditions.

For more information about 24/7 Pediatric Care Centers, please visit www.24hourkidcare.com (http://www.24hourkidcare.com) or call the Orange Park location at (904) 264-1958.

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