

# CURRICULUM VITAE



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## Certifications

Board Certified in Pediatric Hospitalist Medicine (American Board of Pediatrics)

Pediatric Advanced Life Support (American Heart Association, last renewed May, 2023)

Neonatal Resuscitation Program (American Academy of Pediatrics, last renewed March, 2024)

## Professional experience & Post-Graduate Training

- 2012-Present Pediatric Hospitalist, Spectrum Health Medical Group/Helen DeVos Children's Hospital
- 2015-Present Clinical Assistant Professor, Pediatrics & Human Development, Michigan State University
- 2024-Present Founder & CEO, Intent Pharmaceuticals ([www.intentpharma.org](http://www.intentpharma.org))
- 2015-2022 Research Scientist, DeVos Cardiovascular Research program of Spectrum Health and Van Andel Research Institute
- 2013-2015 Clinical Instructor, Department of Pediatrics and Human Development, MSU
- 2009-2012 Pediatric Resident, Helen DeVos Children's Hospital/Michigan State University.
- 2006-2009 Post-doctoral fellow/Research Scientist, Van Andel Research Institute.
- 2002-2006 Bioinformatics & Statistical Analyst, Van Andel Research Institute, Laboratory of Cancer Genetics.
- 2000-2002 Visiting Scientist/Senior Epidemiologist/Bioinformatics & Statistical Analyst, Van Andel Research Institute, Laboratory of Analytical, Cellular and Molecular Microscopy, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

## Professional activities

1. *Chair, Pediatric Medical Staff Performance Committee, 2021-2023 (Corewell Health, Helen DeVos Children's Hospital)*
2. *Chair, Institutional Review Board, 2022-2023*
3. *Moderator, AAP Pediatric Hospitalist Medicine LISTSERV®, 2021-2023.*

## Education

- 1992-1997 Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan. B.A. (Philosophy) Honors:
  - National Merit Scholar
- 1997-2000 Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan. M.S. (Epidemiology)
- 2001-2006 Michigan State University. M.D.  
Honors:
  - Alpha Omega Alpha Honors Medical Society Inductee.
  - Honors designation in Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynecology, and Family Medicine Clerkships.
  - Co-author on paper/presentation receiving “Best Resident Physician Paper Presentation” award at MERC Research Day, 2006.

## Peer-reviewed publications

1. Paneth N, **Kort EJ**, Jurczak D, Havlichek DA Jr, Braunlich K, Moorer G, Vanderjagt D, Sienko D, Leiby P, Gibbons C: Predictors of vaccination rates during a mass meningococcal vaccination program on a college campus. *J Am Coll Health*, 2000;49:7-11.
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7. **Kort EJ**, Moore MR, Hudson EA, Leeser B, Yeruhalmi GM, Leibowitz-Amit R, Tsarfaty G, Tsarfaty T, Moshkovitz S, Resau JH. Use of Organ Explant and Cell Culture in Mechanisms of Carcinogenesis. 2006, Kluwer Academic Publishers: Dordrecht, Netherlands.
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**Other publications**

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