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\*\*\*\*Dr. Ted Votteler named chairman  
of pediatric surgery

DALLAS -- Dr. Ted Votteler, who recently celebrated his 30th anniversary as a pediatric surgeon at Children's Medical Center of Dallas, has been appointed clinical professor of surgery and chairman of the Division of Pediatric Surgery at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

He will retain his position as director of surgical services at Children's, as well as his private practice in pediatric surgery, while assuming the UT Southwestern post as a temporary part-time faculty appointment.

In commenting on the appointment, Dr. William Neaves, dean of UT Southwestern Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences and interim dean of UT Southwestern Medical School, said: "I am pleased that Dr. Votteler has accepted Dr. William Fry's offer to become chairman of the pediatric surgery division. Dr. Votteler is a nationally known leader in the field of pediatric surgery, as well as a prominent member of the Dallas medical community. During the term of his appointment, he will pursue several important goals. These include recruiting full-time faculty to the division, encouraging faculty in the division to develop competitive research programs and helping us obtain a full-time chairman of the division."

Votteler says he is committed to building the UT Southwestern pediatric surgery program and to achieving excellence in education, research and patient care at Children's and at Parkland Memorial Hospital.

He hopes to obtain a residency program in pediatric surgery, which he says is needed in this region of the country. Also, he is seeking additional full-time faculty with basic research interests.

Replacing Dr. Dale Coln in the role of division chairman, Votteler says, "I am indebted to Dr. Coln for his leadership in pediatric surgery over the past years. Dr. Coln will continue his work in the division as director of the Pediatric Trauma Unit at Parkland."

Votteler has achieved national recognition as an authority in the separation of conjoined twins, having successfully operated on three sets of twins and contributed to the fourth edition of Pediatric Surgery as author of the chapter on conjoined twins.

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Votteler attended The University of Texas at Austin for three years and then, without receiving a university degree, was accepted into Tulane Medical School, where he earned an M.D. degree in 1951. He performed an internship and residency at Parkland Hospital and subsequently trained at Children's Hospital in Philadelphia, where he was instructor in the University of Pennsylvania's division of pediatric surgery.

He has served as director of general surgery and director of surgical services at Children's Medical Center since 1965 and has held clinical faculty appointments in the UT Southwestern Department of Surgery and Department of Pediatrics.

He is a longtime member of the American Academy of Pediatrics--Surgical Section, the American College of Surgeons, the American Pediatric Surgical Association and many other professional organizations. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Directors of Children's Medical Center since 1965.

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