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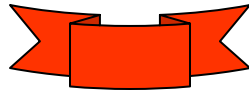
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Please join us in welcoming Dr. Tanya Murphy, the new Maurice A. and Thelma P. Rothman Chair of Developmental Pediatrics and the entire Division of Neuropsychiatry. They are located in St. Petersburg at the Children's Health Center, on the 4th floor. Pictured above from left to right are: Dr. Jane Mutch, Speech Language Pathologist; Danielle Bodzin, BS, Research Assistant; Dr. Steve Pence; Dr. Omar Rahman (post doc/research co-ordinator); Dr. Adina Aldea; Dr. Eric Storch and Dr. Tanya Murphy.



Dr. Carmen Alfaro has agreed to be the Medical Director for our ambulatory clinic at the STC. Dr. Alfaro has been the contact person with the USFPG Leadership. She has done a superb job leading the Workgroup on improving the clinic with Dr. Kido and Ms. Casey. The outcome of that effort will be unveiled the first of next week. Carmen will work with each of you to take this clinic to the next level not only as a site for patient care but educational center as well. Please congratulate her on this position and offer her support in this important endeavor.



**July Birthdays:**

Nadia Sauer (Jul 3); Kenneth Young (Jul 4); Susan Conte (Jul 5); Kathy Bennett (Jul 6); Maxine Sutcliffe (Jul 6); Mark Glaum (Jul 7); Lori Hudson (Jul 7); Heather Hartling (Jul 7); Amisha Patel (Jul 9); Kyle Popkave (Jul 9); Charlene Reynolds (Jul 9); Melissa Simons (Jul 10); Mudra Kumar (Jul 11); Georgette King (Jul 12); Lashaun Thompson (Jul 12); Kathleen Farrar (Jul 13); Carmen Cintron (Jul 18); Nicole Nations (Jul 18); John Cannon (Jul 19); Kimberly Cribbs (Jul 21); Nancy Wallace (Jul 21); Kathy Guertin (Jul 22); Jamie Malloy (Jul 23); Coralina Diaz (Jul 24); Suzanne Sage (Jul 24); Monica Watson (Jul 24); Susan Moyers (Jul 25); David Banghart (Jul 27); Amy Kramer (Jul 27); Ben Pollara (Jul 28); Janet Sullivan (Jul 29); Lewis Barness (Jul 31) Ling Chong (Jul 31)

**August Birthdays:**

Eun Yeop Lee (Aug 1); Brenda Marshall (Aug 1); Lori Bowers (Aug 2); Kathleen Paulus (Aug 3); Jeffrey Krischer (Aug 5); Melissa Salazar (Aug 5); Maite Mcleod (Aug 6); Sangamithra Ravichandran (Aug 6); Cristanna Dudeck (Aug 8); Barry Bercu (Aug 10); Melchor Munoz (Aug 10); Debra Brown (Aug 11); Christine Ortiz (Aug 13); Sterling Little (Aug 15); Brennan Calkins (Aug 18); Mayer Eisenfeld (Aug 19); Emma Gonzalez (Aug 19); Jason Salemi (Aug 20); Sherie Collins (Aug 22); Leetoria Shine (Aug 22); Linda Stephenson (Aug 26); Bruce Gainer (Aug 27); Silvia Callejas (Aug 28); Laura Drach (Aug 28); Tara McKinnon (Aug 29); Matthew Morrow (Aug 29); Peter Nasserri (Aug 29); Patricia Newkirk (Aug 29); Antoinette Spoto-Cannons (Aug 30)



The newest addition to the Nelson family!

Emily Grace Nelson

Born 7/08/08; 2:41 a.m.

5lbs 12 oz, 19 inches

Congratulations to the doting grandparents,

Dr. Nelson and Linda



## Faculty News Reviews / Accomplishments

**Kimberlea Hauser, MS:** Recently had an article published along with four others from the College of Medicine and College of Public Health at USF. Gwendolyn P. Quinn; Kamilah B. Thomas; Kimberlea Hauser; Nydia Y. Rodriguez; Nazach Rodriguez-Snapp: Evaluation of Educational Materials from a Social Marketing Campaign to Promote Folic Acid Use Among Hispanic Women: Insight from Cuban and Puerto Rican Ethnic Subgroups." J Immigrant Minority Health. DOI 10.1007/s10903-008-9162-2

**Dr. Lori Bowers, Dr. Rani Gereige, and Dr. Lewis Rubin:** All three physicians have been invited to participate in the The Leadership Institute at USF Health Class of 2010. There were 65 prospective candidates this year and after a rigorous selection process, 25 were chosen. The Leadership Institute is a comprehensive program designed around key competencies critical for successful leadership at USF Health. Congratulations on your selection and good luck with the program !

**Dr Luis Maldonado and the USF/TGH Newborn Hearing Screening Program :** Have been awarded an AAP CATCH grant to improve hearing screening services to migrant worker families. This will allow the group to produce videos in Spanish to explain their hearing screening program, the results of the tests, procedures for follow-up of failed screens and instructions for obtaining Medicaid for infants of migrant families requiring follow-up. Many thanks to those who supported this project. Congratulations !

**Dr. Kersti Linask:** Had a new manuscript accepted for publication. This will be published in *Developmental Dynamics* in a special issue on embryonic left-right asymmetry. The reference is: Lu, Wenge, Seeholzer, Steven H., Han, Mingda, Arnold, Anne-Sophie, Serrano, Maria, Garita, Barbara, Philp, Nancy J., Steele, Peter, Chen, Jizhen, and Kersti K. Linask. 2008. Cellular nonmuscle myosins NMHC-IIA and NMHC-IIB and vertebrate heart looping. *Dev. Dynamics*. In press.

**Serrano, M., Huhta, J.C., Han, M., K.K. Linask.** 2008. One-time homocysteine exposure in early gestation increases the risk of intrauterine demise and causes cardiac valve dysfunction in surviving mouse embryos. American Heart Association: Conference on Scientific Basis of Heart Failure in Children. May 14-16, 2008 in Estes Park, CO.

**Serrano, M., Han, M., Jizhen Chen, Patrizia Trotta, Huhta, J.C., K.K. Linask.** 2008. A single dose of lithium or homocysteine during mouse gestation on embryonic day 6.75 leads to abnormal valve development. Presented at the 2008 Weinstein Meeting on Cardiovascular Development in Houston, TX.

**Allyson Casey, ARNP and Nancy Newkirk :** Congratulations on their story in the Tampa Tribune about treating Cystic Fibrosis patients and specifically their patient Yvonne Hunter.

<http://www2.tbo.com/content/2008/jul/10/4u-feeding-yvonne/?life-health>

**Rani Gereige, MD:** Recently had an article printed in the Health 4You section of The Tampa Tribune. The subject of the article was keeping children physically active. To read the full article, visit the link below.

<http://www2.tbo.com/content/2008/jul/24/how-can-i-help-my-child-be-more-physically-active/?life-health>



The RMCH/USF Pediatrics was recently awarded a check for \$7,000 at the Pasco Builders Association charity event. A “green” home built by Siebel Falls Homes with proceeds to RMHC and Mercy Ships.



The USF Health Pediatric Mobile Program/RMCM recently received a check from the Aetna Foundation for \$25,000 to help fund their obesity program. Pictured in the first photo above are left to right: Mr. Stuart Kilpinin, Aetna Network VP, William Woods, MD, MBA, Medical Director Southeast Region and Dr. Lynn Ringenberg. Second photo touring the van. Congratulations Dr. Ringenberg. Attached is the link to the full story.

<http://hscweb3.hsc.usf.edu/health/now/?p=564>

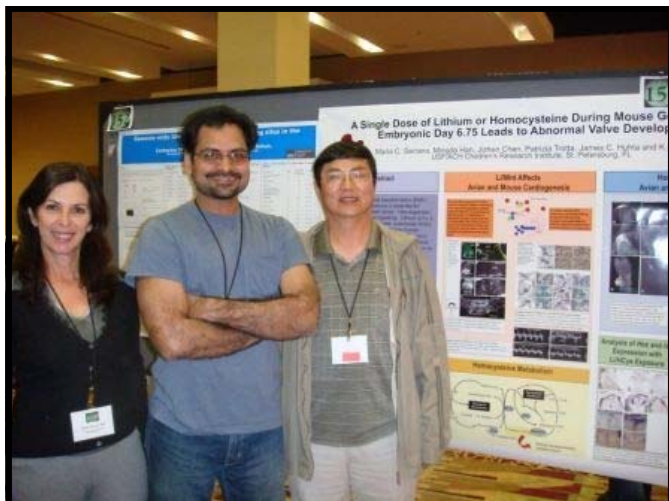


Photo of Cardiology lab members taken in front of their poster at the 2008 Weinstein Conference on Cardiovascular Development in Houston this year (from left to right: Maria Serrano, M.D., Shyam M. Manisastry, a former postdoctoral fellow in the lab at CRI, and Mingda Han, MD.

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**Rani Gereige, MD:** Was notified of the acceptance of his abstract for poster presentation at the PEDS 21 Meeting on Oral Health in the 21st Century. The abstract is entitled, "From a Pediatrician's Desk to State Wide Oral Health Impact: The Power of Collaborative Initiatives." He is also participating in a one hour session titled, "School Preparedness for the Individual Student Emergency". The meeting is being held in October in Boston.

**William G. Brooks, M.D., M.P.H.:** Published a review in the "The Child Abuse Quarterly Update: Summer Edition 2008, Vol.XV, No. 3, of a study entitled : "Perineal impalements in children: Distinguish accidents from abuse." Published in *Pediatric Emergency Care*, Vol. 23, 605-616.

**Lynn Ringenberg, MD:** Recently participated in a WTVT Fox 13 TV interview with Joette Giovinco, MD on High Blood Pressure in Kids (6/16/08) and Cholesterol Drugs for Kids (7/7/08). If you are interested in viewing these interviews, please contact Judy Maraj to borrow the CD.



### Residency/Fellowship Program Updates

**Resident of the Quarter:** Congratulations to Dr. Corrie Bharucha who has been named Resident of the Quarter by All Children's Hospital. Dr. Bharucha was nominated for her empathy, professionalism and dealing with her patients in a caring and motherly manner. Congratulations !

Congratulations to our graduating residents. Below is a list of where they are going after graduation.

#### GRADUATING CLASS OF 2008

##### Pediatrics -

Maria Afanador, M.D. – University of Texas SW, Dallas, TX - Neonatology  
Malienna Dowd, M.D. – Private Practice – FL – 09 - USF Allergy Immunology  
Roxanna Eftekhari, M.D. – Chief Resident of USF Pediatrics, - ER (applying in July)  
Kristin Flynn, M.D. - Chief Resident of USF Pediatrics, 09 –  
University of Pittsburgh, PA - Rheumatology  
Elizabeth Harris, M.D. – USF General Academic Pediatric Fellowship  
Fawn Harrison, M.D. – Private Practice – FL  
Lora Harrison, M.D. – Cincinnati Children's, OH – Sports Medicine  
Robb Holley, M.D. – Private Practice – FL  
Scott James, M.D. – Birmingham - University of Alabama, AL – Infectious Diseases  
Avery Mixon, M.D. – Vanderbilt University, TN – Hematology Oncology  
Angelique Nguyen, M.D. –Hollywood, Fl – Hospitalist  
Edward O'Neill, M.D. – University of Louisville, KY - Neonatology  
Amisha Patel, M.D. – Private Practice, Atlanta, GA  
Christina Paulson, M.D. – Private Practice, FL  
Sara Rippel, M.D. - Vanderbilt University, TN - Gastroenterology  
Melanie Schlauder, M.D. – Boston, MA – Research - Infectious Diseases – 09 – Infectious Diseases  
Vicki Skidmore, D.O. – Private Practice – FL  
Stephanie Slagle, M.D. – Medical University of South Carolina - Cardiology  
Ifeyinwa Umeh, M.D. – Private Practice – Orlando, FL

##### Medicine Pediatrics

Lauren Brewington, M.D. – University of California, San Diego, CA – Infectious Diseases  
Heather Stewart, M.D. – University of North Carolina , Chapel Hill, NC - Nephrology

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## HUMAN RESOURCES UPDATES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Division</u>
Nicole Nations	RN	Neonatology
Osdaly Ozuna	Medical Assistant	General Pediatrics Clinic at STC

Please join us in welcoming the above employee to the USF Health Pediatrics team!

### "Items of Excellence"

By now everyone has probably seen the email publication of "Items of Excellence". This publication will run every two weeks.

**What:** Items of Excellence (IOE) are summaries of wins and accomplishments that support the vision and strategic goals of the HSC, the College and the department – timely items that we would like everyone to know about. Examples include announcements of recently awarded federal grants, recent recent publication in a major peer-reviewed journal or presentation at a national research conference, top-level appointments and honors, collaborative/team initiatives and accomplishments by departments or colleges, etc. – all leading to national prominence.

**Who Can Submit:** Anyone at the HSC – deans, chairs, faculty, staff and students.

**How:** Please report your IOEs to your department or college under the following five categories. Be concise – just the basic facts needed:

Creative Educational Models (emphasis on national prominence, interdisciplinary collaboration)

Research Really Matters (emphasis on national prominence, interdisciplinary collaboration)

Entrepreneurial Academic Practice (successful clinical practice and community outreach programs/projects, collaborations with community partners-- e.g. TGH, Moffitt, VA, ACH, outpatient sites).

Operational/Financial Innovation (streamlining of clinic operations resulting in greater efficiency and profit – scheduling, patient flow, medical records, billing, etc)

People Excellence – Items that demonstrate the Winning Spirit, Creativity and Accomplishments of the people at HSC

