This newsletter features Dr. Jennifer Leiding, M.D., Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Medicine, Division of Allergy and Immunology, USF Department of Pediatrics, Johns Hopkins All Children’s Hospital.
Jennifer Leiding, MD was born and raised in St. Petersburg, Florida. She is a 3rd generation St. Petersburg native. After attending college and medical school at USF, she completed a pediatric residency at USF/All Children’s Hospital, followed by an allergy/immunology fellowship at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and post-doctoral research in the Laboratory of Clinical Infectious Diseases at NIAID. She joined the USF Department of Pediatrics in 2012 and is currently an Associate Professor. Her clinical expertise is in the diagnosis and treatment of primary and secondary immunodeficiency diseases.

Dr. Leiding is the Director of the Multidisciplinary Immunology Service at USF and Johns Hopkins All Children’s Hospital where she oversees the Immunology clinical service collaborations with other service lines. She has developed 3 specialty clinics:

1. Conjoint BMT-Immunology Clinic
2. Immunodysregulation Clinic
3. Cardiac Transplant-Immunology Clinic

Dr. Leiding is also the Director of SCID Newborn Screening for USF and serves as Director of Faculty Development for the Department of Pediatrics.

Dr. Leiding’s research interests include investigating the mechanisms of inflammatory disease in chronic granulomatous disease and other primary immunodysregulatory diseases. She is also the PI of several industry sponsored clinical trials. She is on the steering committee and a protocol lead for the Primary Immunodeficiency Treatment Consortium. She is the Chair of the Primary Immunodeficiency Committee and Secretary of the Basic and Clinical Immunology Interest Section of the AAAAI and serves on the Annual Program Committees of the AAAAI and Clinical Immunology Society. Dr. Leiding has mentored many A/I fellows as well as pediatric and medicine residents over the last 8 years. She very much enjoys teaching the next generation of immunologists.
Dr. Leiding is married with two children ages 9 and 6. Her husband, Dr. Daniel Leiding, MD, is the Chief of Emergency Medicine at the Bay Pines VA Health System in St. Pete. In her spare time, Dr. Leiding is involved in several charitable organizations. She also enjoys going to the beach and exercising on her Peloton.

Dr. Leiding is a valued faculty member and colleague, and a pleasure to work with.

With warm regards,

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