

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

**Laura S. Weathers, M.D.**

### **MEDICAL SPECIALTY:**

- Pediatrics
- Medical Acupuncture

### **EDUCATION:**

- University of South Florida, Residency  
Tampa, Florida  
Specialty Pediatrics  
July 1, 1988 thru June 30, 1991
- Medical College of Georgia  
Augusta, Georgia  
M.D. 1988
- Vanderbilt University  
Nashville, Tennessee  
B.S.N. 1984

### **ADDITIONAL TRAINING:**

- Medical Acupuncture for Physicians  
Helms Medical Institute/UCLA  
Complete April 2006

### **EMPLOYMENT/APPOINTMENTS:**

- Associate Professor of Pediatrics  
Division of General Pediatrics  
University of South Florida  
College of Medicine  
August 1, 2001- July 25, 2008
- Assistant Professor of Pediatrics  
Division of General Pediatrics  
University of South Florida  
College of Medicine  
September 1, 1992 – August 1, 2001
- Medical Director, Well Baby Services  
Tampa General Hospital  
November 1, 1995 – January 2007
- Clerkship Co-Director, Maternal Newborn  
USF College of Medicine  
June 2005 – July 25, 2008

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- Active Staff  
Tampa General Hospital  
Tampa, Florida  
October 1992- Present
- Secretary/Treasurer  
Department of Pediatrics  
Tampa General Hospital  
Tampa, Florida  
July 2005 – Present
- Chief, Division of General Pediatrics  
University of South Florida  
College of Medicine  
November 2005 – August 2007
- Pediatrician  
Pediatric Care Center  
602 Vonderberg Drive  
Brandon, Florida 33511  
June 1991 - August 12, 1992
- Active Staff  
Brandon Regional Hospital  
July 1991 – November 1992
- Provisional Staff  
University Community Hospital  
Tampa, Florida 33612  
1992
- Registered Nurse  
Shepherd Spinal Center  
Atlanta, Georgia  
1984 - 1985

### **HONORS/AWARDS:**

- Best Doctors in America: Southeast Region  
1999 - 2008
- A Who's Who Among Healthcare Professionals  
1999 - 2008
- Best Doctors in America: Southeast Region  
1996-1997
- Attending Award for Resident Education  
"Case of the Week"; Awarded by USF Pediatric Residents  
1994-1995
- Who's Who Among Rising Young Americans. 1992.

**CERTIFICATIONS:**

- Diplomate, National Board of Medical Examiners, 1989
- Diplomate, American Board of Pediatrics, 1992
- *Recertification*, March 31, 1998
- *Recertification*, October 12, 2004
- American Association of Medical Acupuncture
- Board Exam – passed April 2008

**LICENSURE:**

- Drug Enforcement Agency  
Florida State Medical Licensure
- Medical License Number: ME 0058371

**SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS:**

- Ambulatory Pediatric Association
- American Association of Medical Acupuncture
- Fellow, American Academy of Pediatrics
- Florida Chapter, AAP/Florida Pediatric Society
- Hillsborough County Pediatric Society
- Hillsborough County Medical Association
- Southern Society for Pediatric Research

**ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:**

- Medical Expert for Newborn Issues Health Central - Access to general health topics for Internet Users. August 2000 - Present
- Medical Consultant, Children's Medical Services. December 1992 – Present
- Medical Consultant Tampa Tribune. April 2006 - Present

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA:**

- Integrative Medicine Committee  
2006 –July 2008
- Chair Maternal Newborn Clerkship Committee  
2006-2007
- Appointment, Promotions and Tenure Committee  
2002- July 2008
- Pediatric Ambulatory Clinic Committee  
Division of General Pediatrics  
1993 – July 2008

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- Chairperson  
"Case of the Week" Resident Teaching Committee  
Department of Pediatrics  
1993 - 2007
- Department of Pediatrics  
Residency Review Committee  
March 1995 to June 1998
- Employment Compensation Committee  
Department of Pediatrics  
1997
- 3rd Year Medical Student Curriculum Committee  
Department of Pediatrics  
1993 to 1995
- Primary Care Task Force  
Department of Pediatrics  
1993
- Continuity Clinic Planning Committee  
Department of Pediatrics  
1993 - 1994
- Tampa General Hospital:  
Infection Control Committee  
2003 - Present
- FMEA: Failure Mode Effect Analysis Regarding Infant Abduction  
May 2002 – present
- Abandoned Newborn Legislation, Ad Hoc Committee  
June 2000 – December 2000
- Co-Chairperson, Newborn Outcomes Management Committee  
July 98 – 2007
- Infant Early Discharge Committee  
October 1994 to 1998
- Family Suite Committee  
October 1995 – 1998
- Neonatal/Obstetric Board Committee  
November 1995 to 1997

### **PUBLICATIONS:**

- Davey, L., Boyett, T., Weathers, L., Campbell, R., Roetzheim, R.  
Sun Protection Counseling by Pediatricians. Ambulatory Pediatrics. 2(3):207-211; 2002
- Boyett, T, Davy, L, Weathers, L, Campbell, R, Van Durme, D and Roetzheim, R. Sun  
Protection of Children at the Beach. J Am Board Fam Pract 15:112-7, 2002.

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- Johnson, K., Davy, I., Boyette, T., Weathers, L, and Roetzheim, R.: Sun Protection Practices for Children. Arch. Ped. Adol. Med., 155:891-896; 2001.
- Parsons, M., Mahoney, C., Weathers, L. Family Suite: An Innovative Method to Provide Inexpensive Postpartum Care. Health Care Managed Rev, 24(4), 65-69; 1999.
- Weathers, L.S., Brooks, W.G., and DeClue, T.J.: Spontaneous pneumomediastinum in the DKA patient; a potentially hidden complication. Southern Medical Journal. 88(4):483-484; 1995.
- Weathers, L.S. et al: Aerosolized vancomycin for the treatment of MRSA colonization. Ped. Inf. Dis. Journal. 9(3):220-221; 1990.

### **CHAPTERS:**

- Weathers, L. and Brooks, W. Shaken Baby Syndrome: an overview. A Multi-disciplinary Approach to the Shaken Baby. Lazoritz, S. (Ed.) Haworth Press, Inc. 2001, pp 1-7.

### **OTHER:**

- Weathers, L., Tagagishi, J., and Rodriguez, L.: Umbilical Cord Care. See non-referred published article #1.
- Weathers, L. Book Review. Young Children and Their Drawings by Joseph H. Dileo. Arch. Ped. Adol. Med. Vol 153. p. 95, 1999.
- Weathers, L. Book Review. Pediatrics, A Primary Care Approach by Carol Berkowitz. Arch. Ped. Adol. Med. Vol 151(7), p 749, 1997.
- Brooks, W. G., Bohar-Posey, L., Weathers, L. S., and Pardue, W.: Children's Consent to Treatment. Letter to the Editor. British Medical Journal. 6957(309):807; 1994.
- Manuscript Reviewer, Southern Medical Journal, 1995 – Present.

### **ABSTRACTS/PRESENTATION:**

- Lazoritz, S., Vendola, M., Weathers, L., Brooks, W. : True confessions: perpetrator admissions and clinical correlations. Presented at the 2nd National Conference on Shaken Baby Syndrome, September, 1998, Salt Lake City, Utah.
- Weathers, L., Lazoritz, S., Brooks, W.: Twice Shaken: recurrent episodes of Shaken Baby Syndrome. Presented at the 2nd National Conference on Shaken Baby syndrome, September 1998, Salt Lake City, Utah.
- Brooks, W., Weathers, L., Lazoritz, S.: Skull Fractures in Children with negative CT scans. Presented at the APSAC Conference, June 27, 1996, Chicago, Illinois.
- Helal, A., Weathers, L., Mussary, J., Figueroa, E., Ogden, J.A., Pugh, L., and Campos, A.: Hematuria complicating spinal fusion surgery in children and adolescents. Presented at the AAP Annual Meeting, October 22, 1994, Dallas, Texas.
- Weathers, L.S., Brooks, W.G., and DeClue, T.J.: Occult physical findings demonstrated by chest x-ray in patients with diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA): a case report. Clin. Res. 1992, 40:865A.

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- Urda, D.L., Weathers, L.S., DeClue, T.J., and Malone, J.I.: Pathogenesis of Cerebral Edema in diabetic ketoacidosis: prolonged acidosis and recovery of serum glucose as contributing factors. Diabetes. 1991; 40:43A. Presented at the 14th IDF Conference, June 1991, Washington, D.C.
- Urda, D.L., Weathers, L.S., DeClue, T.J., and Malone, J.I.: Prolonged acidosis and recovery of serum glucose as contributing factors in the pathogenesis of cerebral edema (CE) in diabetic ketoacidosis (D.K.A.). Clin. Res. 1991; 38:925A. Presented at the Southern Society for Pediatric Research, January, 1991. New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Weathers L.S., DeClue, T.J., and Malone, J.I.: Diabetic Ketoacidosis in Pediatrics. Clin. Res. 1990; 38:59A.

### GRANTS:

- Residency Training in General Internal Medicine and General Pediatrics Training Grant. HRSA Bureau of Health Professions. Principal Investigator, Bernard Pollara, MD, PhD. Total award for grant period 1999-2002: \$1,200,000
- Faculty Development Grant in General Pediatrics. HRSA Bureau of Health Professions. Principal Investigator, Bernard Pollara, MD, PhD. Bernard Pollara, M.D., Principal Investigator. Total award for grant period 1996 - 1999: \$505,440

### RESEARCH:

- Safety and Efficacy of Pentavalent (G1, G2, G3, G4, and P1) Human-Bovine Reassortant Rotavirus Vaccine in Healthy Infants. Merck & Co., Inc., B. Pollara, M.D., Ph.D., Principal Investigator, L. Nelson, A.R.N.P., M.S.N., C. Jahrsdorfer, R.N., B.S.N., L. Bowers, M.D., J. Cohen Takagishi, M.D., S. Dabrow, M.D., R. Gereige, M.D., C. Lilly, M.D., L. Maldonado, M.D., L. Ringenberg, M.D., L. Rodriguez, M.D., E. Theophilopoulos, M.D., L. Weathers, M.D., 2001-Present.
- Administration of Frozen Measles, Mumps, Rubella, and Varicella Vaccine (MMRV) to Healthy Children at 4 to 6 Years of Age. Merck & Co., Inc., B. Pollara, M.D., Ph.D., Principal Investigator, L. Nelson, A.R.N.P., M.S.N., C. Jahrsdorfer, R.N., B.S.N., L. Bowers, M.D., J. Cohen Takagishi, M.D., S. Dabrow, M.D., R. Gereige, M.D., C. Lilly, M.D., L. Maldonado, M.D., L. Ringenberg, M.D., L. Rodriguez, M.D., E. Theophilopoulos, M.D., L. Weathers, M.D., L. Dawson, R.N., T. Hesse, R.N., 2001-Present.
- Co-Investigator, Comparison of the Safety, Tolerability, and Immunogenicity of 3 Consistency Lots of Frozen Measles, Mumps, Rubella, and Varicella Vaccine (MMRV) in Healthy Children. Merck & Co., Inc., B. Pollara, M.D., Ph.D., Principal Investigator, 2000 - Present.
- Co-Investigator, Comparison of the Safety, Tolerability, and Immunogenicity of P32 Process Upgrade Varicella Vaccine (PUVV) to P31 PUVV When Each is Administered Concomitantly With M-M-R™ II to Subjects 12 to 23 Months of Age. Merck & Co., Inc., B. Pollara, M.D., Ph.D., Principal Investigator. 2000-Present

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- Co-Investigator, Post-Licensure Comparative Study of Usual High-Pitched Crying (UHPC) and Prolonged Crying Following COMVAX7 and Placebo Versus PedavaxHIB7 and RECOMBIVAX HB7 in Healthy Infants. Bernard Pollara, M.D., Principal Investigator. Merck & Co., Inc. 1999-2001.
- Co-Investigator, Roetzheim, G, Weathers, L.S.: Sun Protection in Children, Parents Knowledge, Attitudes and Behaviors. July 1999 to Present.
- Co-Investigator, Cefaclor vs. Cefuroxime Axetil in Difficult-to-Treat Acute Otitis Media. Eli Lilly and Company. Bernard Pollara, M.D., Principal Investigator. 10/98 -1999.
- Co-Investigator, A Pivotal Phase III Study of MEDI-493, a Humanized Respiratory Syncytial Virus Monoclonal Antibody, for the Prophylaxis of Severe RSV Disease in Premature Infants and Infants with Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia (BPD). MedImmune, Inc. Gaithersburg, MD. Bernard Pollara, M.D., Principal Investigator. 11/96 - 6/97.
- Co-Investigator, Evaluation of the Immunogenicity of IM MEDI-493 in Children Who Previously Received IM MEDI-493 Prophylaxis and Children Receiving IM MEDI-493 for the First Time. MedImmune, Inc. Bernard Pollara, M.D., Principal Investigator. 10/97- 7/98.
- Co-Investigator, The Effect of Isomil with Alternate Carbohydrate Content on Tolerance in Healthy, Term Infants. Ross Laboratories. Bernard Pollara, M.D., Principal Investigator. May 1, 1993 - May 1, 1994
- Halsey, A., Weathers, L.S.: False Positive Polymerase chain reaction in a neonate at risk for infection with human immunodeficiency virus. Pediatric HIV Clinic, University of South Florida, 1992.

### **LECTURES/PRESENTATIONS:**

- “Acupuncture – What’s the Point?”  
USF Department of Pediatrics  
Grand Rounds  
July 19, 2007
- “The Newborn History and Physical Exam”  
TGH Well Baby Nursery  
Monthly resident and student lectures  
July 1998 to Present
- “Newborn Metabolic Screen”  
Tampa General Hospital  
Well Baby Nursery monthly resident and student lectures  
October 1995 - Present
- “Congenital Syphilis”  
Tampa General Hospital  
Well Baby Nursery, monthly resident and student lectures  
October 1995 – Present

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- “Newborn Dermatology”  
Tampa General Hospital Well Baby Nursery  
Monthly resident and student lectures  
October 1995 - Present
- Resident Noon Conferences, “Newborn Highlights”  
University of South Florida  
March 15, 1998; November 20, 1999
- “Childhood Injuries”, Introduction to Clinical Medicine for second year Medical Students.  
University of South Florida  
January 20, 1998
- “Childhood Injuries”, Junior League of Tampa  
January, 1998
- Media Presentation, “Baby Food - Is It Safe?”  
Good News Tampa Bay, Channel 13  
March, 1996
- USF Pediatric Resident Noon Conference  
“Newborn Metabolic Screening”  
November, 1996
- Pediatric Grand Rounds  
University of South Florida  
Department of Pediatrics  
"Childhood Injuries: Issues for the Pediatrician"  
November 9, 1995
- Pediatric Resident Core Lecture  
"Failure to Thrive"  
Tampa General Hospital  
November 20, 1995
- Spacecoast Pediatric Conference  
University of South Florida  
"Childhood Injuries: Issues for the Pediatrician"  
Melbourne, Florida  
October 14, 1994
- Media Presentation  
“Back To School Ailments”  
Channel 8 News  
August, 1994
- USF Pediatric Resident Core Lecture  
“Childhood Injuries”  
September 12, 1994

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- USF Department of Pediatrics  
"Issues and Advances in Pediatrics", Moderator  
April 9, 1994
- Resident Noon Conference  
USF Pediatrics  
"Child Abuse" August 14, 1993
- Resident Noon Conference  
USF Pediatrics  
"Failure to Thrive"  
February 1993
- 4<sup>th</sup> Year Medical Student Pediatric  
Ambulatory Selective Lecture Series:  
"Failure to Thrive" – Jan 1993 and monthly through June, 1995
- 4th Year Medical Student Pediatric  
Ambulatory Selective Lecture Series:  
"Atopic Dermatitis and Other Common Pediatric Skin Disorders"  
September 1992 and monthly until 1995

### **VOLUNTEER AND COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

- Volunteer - Davis Island Child Development Center. 1999-2000  
Special Kidz Seminar for Caregivers of Special Needs Children Planning Committee  
1999-2000.
- Funbook Volunteer - Coloring books and balloon delivery to pediatric patients at various hospitals in the Tampa Bay Area. 1996-1999
- Puppet Troupe Volunteer - Junior League of Tampa-performed puppet shows at various hospitals and children's homes in the Tampa Bay Area. 1994-1995
- Volunteer- Ronald McDonald House. Tampa, Florida. 1993.

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