

**2011 Outstanding Woman Faculty - Stacie M. Jones, M.D.**

We are delighted to nominate Stacie Jones, M.D. Professor of Pediatrics, for the 2011 Outstanding Woman Faculty Award. Dr. Jones is a talented academician who is unsurpassed in her talents as a clinician, teacher, researcher, mentor and leader. As a faculty member in the UAMS Pediatric Allergy and Immunology section since 1994 and Division Chief since 2003, Dr. Jones has had a profound impact on the professional and personal lives of a multitude of residents, fellows, medical students, graduate students, and junior faculty in her division and beyond. Her leadership and mentorship directly influenced both of us to not only pursue careers in Allergy-Immunology, but also to return to UAMS/Arkansas Children's Hospital after training. .

In recognition of her dedication, skill and excellence in clinical care, Dr. Jones has been honored as one of America's Best Doctors 6 times by her peers, as well as earning the respect and admiration of her patients. As an academician, Dr. Jones is committed to providing an exceptional educational experience for residents and students, and has been honored 9 times as a UAMS Red Sash recipient.. As a researcher, Dr. Jones is an internationally recognized leader serving as the site lead investigator on the NIH-funded, multi-center Consortium for Food Allergy Research, Principal Investigator on numerous multi-center clinical trials and co-director of the Lung Cell Biology Research Laboratory. She has authored over 50 original, peer-reviewed manuscripts and 30 book chapters. In recognition of her expertise in food allergy, Dr. Jones was chosen as a member of the Expert Panel for the Diagnosis and Management of Food Allergy Guidelines in the United States.

Although Dr. Jones is well-recognized as a consummate clinician, academician and researcher, her role as a mentor is unrivaled. Dr. Jones was awarded the 2009 Joan M. Cranmer Mentor of the Year Award and has 3 times been selected as a finalist for the Outstanding Woman Faculty award. However, all of the awards and titles cannot adequately represent her significant impact on the professional and personal lives of so many. When Dr. Jones commits to being a mentor, she is hands-on, involved and willing to face any challenges that might arise. Although she is ardently committed to guiding and nurturing careers, her greatest mission is assuring overall well-being and balance in the lives of all those she leads, whether it is faculty, trainees, nurses, or research and administrative personnel. She models this equilibrium in her own life, effectively balancing the demands of academic medicine, with her roles as an involved parent and dedicated wife. She is a phenomenal role model, with her dedication to service, commitment to spiritual and intellectual growth, all pursued with magnanimous enthusiasm and energy.

It is a great privilege to be her colleague, protégé, and friend, knowing that her leadership has provided a supportive and encouraging environment that has launched our careers, and the careers of so many others on a successful trajectory. She fully embodies the spirit of this wonderful award.

Respectfully submitted,

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