

## Women's Faculty Association Members in the Spotlight



**Kadriye O. Lewis, EdD, Division of General and Community Pediatrics**

Kadriye O. Lewis, EdD is an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics in the Division of General and Community Pediatrics at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. She received both her MEd and EdD in Curriculum and Instruction with the emphasis on Instructional Design and Technology from the University of Cincinnati.

Dr. Lewis has been a member of Women's Faculty Association (WFA) since she started at Cincinnati Children's in 2000. Her work at Cincinnati Children's demonstrates a talent for educational innovation due to her extensive knowledge in information technology, which has always been integral part of her work as an educator. Her research interests are in web-based learning, technology in education and medical education. Two of her major accomplishments over the last 4 years, are described below.

### **Online Master's Degree in Education for Physicians and Other Health Care Professionals**

In collaboration with the College of Education at the University of Cincinnati, Dr. Lewis and her colleague, Raymond C. Baker, MD, MEd, FAAP, in the Division of General and Community Pediatrics, have developed an Online Master's Degree in Education for Health Care Professionals, which has been offered both nationally and internationally since the fall of 2002.

This accredited MEd degree program was designed to meet healthcare professionals' needs in educational pedagogy and advance career goals. The curriculum spans a two-year period of part-time course work. The 54-credit hour program focuses on three educational themes:

1. Adult learning, curriculum and instructional methodology
2. Educational evaluation
3. Research

It is comprised of required courses, individual studies in curriculum and instruction, a practicum and a master's research project. Qualified faculty from the Colleges of Education and Medicine, including Dr. Lewis herself, teach courses via Blackboard, a web-based infrastructure software program designed for e-learning and internet-enabled conferencing via WebEx.

### **Faculty Development Program at Cincinnati Children's**

Dr. Lewis has also actively been involved in Cincinnati Children's Faculty Development program. This comprehensive, interdisciplinary Medical Educator Development and Learning Studies (MEDALS) program offers faculty development in teaching to all levels of learners and educators and to all disciplines in medicine including residents, fellows, junior faculty and medical educators in faculty development regionally and nationally.

The program offers an annual four-day course in basic faculty development and an annual two-day regional / national course for instructors in faculty development in addition to annual courses and seminars for clinical fellows and residents.

One of Dr. Lewis's plans is to bring the best and most effective medical educators' training directly to the people who need it most with a series of interactive workshops that can be taken on-line, and distributed via DVD.