Significant Accomplishments

**Fellowship Program**
For the first time ever, the Division of Pediatric Dermatology now offers a one-year fellowship in Pediatric Dermatology, approved by the American Board of Dermatology. The pediatric dermatology fellowship program aims to train physicians in all aspects of pediatric dermatology, including clinical care, research, scholarly activity, resident and medical student education, and administration and office management. A graduate of this program will be capable of providing specialized outpatient care and inpatient consultative services for children with skin disorders.

**New Division Director**
Kara Shah MD, PhD, was named medical director of the Division of Pediatric Dermatology in August, 2011. Shah has special interests and expertise in cutaneous oncology, pigmented lesions, genodermatoses, atopic dermatitis and nail disorders and is co-director of the newly formed Eczema Center and the Genodermatoses Clinic.

**Improving Access**
Our priority has been to improve access for patients. We did this by setting a goal of decreasing the number of days for the “third next available” new appointment from 134 to 67 days by July 2012. We far exceeded this goal by better managing demand and adding two nurse practitioners. As a result, our current average for the “third
next available” appointment is between two to three days. Priority patients with more complicated dermatologic issues who cannot receive appropriate care in the community are now able to be seen within one or two days.

Division Publications


Faculty, Staff, and Trainees

Faculty Members

Kara Shah, MD, PhD, Associate Professor

Leadership Division Chief

Research Interests atopic dermatitis, psoriasis, genetic skin diseases (genodermatosis), hemangiomas and vascular malformations, neonatal dermatology, cutaneous lymphoma, hair and nail disorders, moles and pigmented lesions

Anne Lucky, MD, Adjunct

Leadership Volunteer Professor

Research Interests Pediatric Dermatology

Clinical Staff Members

- Lindsey Wright, MSN, FNP-BC, Nurse Practitioner
- Kathy Schibler, MSN, PNP-BC, Nurse Practitioner
- Deborah Reese-Baker, RN, Registered Nurse
- Susan MacPherson, RN, Registered Nurse
Division Collaboration

**Genetics; Dermatology** » T. Andrew Burrow M.D., FAAP, FACMG and Kara Shah, MD, PhD

Genodermatosis Clinic- A comprehensive multidisciplinary evaluation and management for children and adults with known or suspected genetic disorders that have genetic and dermatologic involvement.

**Allergy; Anesthesia; Social Work; Behavioral Medicine and Clinical Psychology; Dermatology** » Amal Assa'Ad, MD, John Rose, MD, Kenneth Goldschneider, MD, Karl vonTiehl, MD, Michelle Lierl, MD, Jessica Kichler, PhD, Sandra Cortina, PhD, Alexandra Szabova, MD, Kami Hines, LSW, and Kara Shah, MD, PhD

The Eczema Center - Treating the whole child by take a collaborative, patient centered approach to the care and treatment of your child's eczema. Our goal is to provide you and your child with a comprehensive evaluation and treatment plan and a caring and supportive team of physicians, nurses, and care coordinators in order to ensure that your child receives the best care available for their eczema.

**Human Genetics; Neurology; Gastroenterology; Endocrinology; Neurosurgery; Cardiothoracic Surgery; Cardiology; Ophthalmology; Pathology; Orthopaedics; Radiology; Dermatology; Plastic Surgery; Pediatric Hematology / Oncology; Otolaryngology; Pediatric Surgery** » Anne W. Lucky, MD, Kara Shah, MD, PhD, David A. Billmire, MD, FACS, FAAP, Ravindra G. Elluru, MD, PhD, A. Roshni Dasgupta, MD, Adrienne M. Hammill, MD, PhD, Richard G. Azizkhan, MD, Denise M. Adams, MD, Christopher B. Gordon, MD, Erin A. Mundt, MS, CGC, Robert J. Hopkin, MD, Mary Sutton, MD, Ajay Kaul, MBBS, MD, Meilan M. Rutter, MD, Kerry R. Crone, MD, Peter B. Manning, MD, Russel Hirsch, MD, Michael B. Yang, MD, Anita Gupta, MD, Joel I. Sorger, MD, James J. McCarthy, MD, William S. Ball, MD, Manish N. Patel, DO, and Todd Abruzzo, MD

The Hemangioma and Vascular Malformation Program at Cincinnati Children's offers a multidisciplinary approach and expert assessment for patients with a complex and wide-ranging group of conditions ranging from uncomplicated vascular lesions to much more serious vascular tumors and malformations.