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## **MERCY CHILDREN'S CLINIC ADDS PEDIATRICIANS COX AND COURTNEY**

**FRANKLIN, Tenn. – April 14, 2009** – Providing compassionate care at Mercy Children's Clinic continues as the nonprofit clinic adds two more gifted pediatricians.

Jennifer Cox, M.D., is a Westmoreland, Tenn. native who returned to her home state after completing the Phoenix Children's Hospital/Maricopa Medical Center Pediatric Residency Program.

Cox earned her medical degree at the University of Tennessee College of Medicine, is a board certified pediatrician, a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics and a clinical instructor at the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine.

She learned to speak Spanish during her residency and has a heart for working with Hispanic children and their families. Cox's additional interests include newborn care, treating chronically ill children, and addressing the issues surrounding childhood obesity and international children's health. She attends church at The Village Chapel in Nashville.

Tom Courtney, M.D., has practiced medicine for 15 years in a variety of settings including academic and private practice in Virginia and Oregon. In addition to providing primary pediatric care, he has experience treating chronically ill children and infants in neonatal intensive care.

Courtney received his medical degree and completed his pediatric residency at the University of Virginia School of Medicine, where he later held a teaching position. He

also taught medicine at Eastern Virginia Medical School and currently serves as a clinical instructor at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital.

An active member of West End Community Church in Nashville, Courtney has participated in several medical mission trips. He is board certified pediatrician and a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

***About Mercy Children's Clinic***

Mercy Children's Clinic is a Franklin-based nonprofit organization that provides primary pediatric and mental healthcare to children from all socio-economic backgrounds including children without health insurance or enrolled in TennCare. Since 1999 more than 8,000 children from 24 Middle Tennessee counties have called Mercy Children's Clinic their medical home. For additional information visit [www.MercyChildrensClinic.org](http://www.MercyChildrensClinic.org) or call 615.790.0567.

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