

## Deborah S. Minor, PharmD Biographical Information

Debbie is employed at the University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC) as an Associate Professor and Executive Vice Chair for the School of Medicine's Department of Medicine. She also has faculty appointments in the School of Pharmacy, Department of Pharmacy Practice and with the School of Medicine, Department of Family Medicine, Debbie has worked in the areas of community, institutional, consultant, academic and clinical pharmacy over the past 25 years.

Debbie's clinical practice is at the UMMC Hypertension Clinic within the Division of General Internal Medicine/Hypertension where she serves as preceptor for approximately 25 pharmacy and medical students and residents on ambulatory and clinical research rotations each year. She also participates as a preceptor and mentor for high school and undergraduate college students through the NIH Jackson Heart Study and Howard Hughes Medical Institute. Debbie is a Preceptor for the Pharmacy Practice Residency at the UMMC and former Director of the Ambulatory Care Residency.

Debbie received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Mississippi in 1997, a B.S. degree in Pharmacy in 1982, and a B.S. in Psychology from Millsaps College in 1978.

Debbie is a past president of Mississippi Society of Health System Pharmacists. She is a Board Member of the American Heart Association Greater Southeast Affiliate and is the volunteer Advocacy Chairperson for Mississippi. She serves on the Affiliate (as Chair) and National AHA Advocacy Board. Debbie is the pharmacy representative on the Mississippi State Task Force on Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention and is actively involved in various other state and national pharmacy and medical organizations.

Among her recent honors are designation as a Fellow of the American Heart Association and the Council for High Blood Pressure Research and nomination to the Southern Society for Clinical Investigation. Debbie is one of the recipients of the Mississippi Public Health Association 2006 Citizenship Award for her statewide volunteer work in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. She received the Mississippi Society of Health System Pharmacists 2004 Health-System Pharmacist of the Year Award, the University of Mississippi's 2003 Faculty Achievement Award, the Mississippi Chronic Illness Coalition's 2002 Distinguished Service Award, and the UMMC 2001 Patient Educator Award.

Debbie is the author/co-author of over 100 reviewed publications and abstracts, and co-editor of the recently published book, *Hypertension Pearls*. She is a regular manuscript and abstract reviewer for the leading hypertension journals as well as for several other pharmacy and medical journals and organizations. Debbie was recently honored by appointment to the Editorial Board for the Journal of Clinical Hypertension. Debbie is an investigator for numerous studies surrounding hypertension, diabetes and cardiovascular disease risk factors. She is also the co-developer of the statewide "Know Your Numbers" campaign, adopted and disseminated by the Mississippi State Department of Health and many other organizations. Debbie serves as a consultant for BlueCross BlueShield of Mississippi. For the Mississippi Division of Medicaid, Debbie serves a consultant and on the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee.