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RODRIGUEZ JOINS UMMC FACULTY IN PEDIATRIC ALLERGY, IMMUNOLOGY

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JACKSON, Miss. – Dr. Ray J. Rodriguez has joined the Medical Center faculty as an associate professor of pediatrics and a subspecialist in pediatric allergy and immunology.

A 1979 graduate of the Catholic University of Puerto Rico, Ponce, Rodriguez received the M.D. from the Ponce School of Medicine in 1984. He did a transitional internship from 1984-85 at Damas Hospital, Ponce, a pediatric residency from 1988-91 at William Beaumont Army Medical Center, El Paso, Texas, and an allergy immunology fellowship from 1993-95 and a clinical laboratory immunology fellowship from 1995-96 at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington D.C.

Rodriguez served as a general medical officer in the Second Medical Battalion at Camp Casey, Korea, from 1985-86 and in the General Outpatient Clinic at Dewitt Army Community Hospital, Ft. Belvoir, Va., from 1986-88. He also served on the pediatric staff at the Womack Army Medical Center's Pediatric Clinic in Ft. Bragg, N.C., from 1991-93 and was chief of allergy immunology at William Beaumont Army Medical Center, El Paso, Texas, from 1996-97. Since 1997, he has had an allergy immunology private practice in Puerto Rico.

In 2002, Rodriguez received his master's in public health from the University of Puerto Rico, San Juan, and his master's in business administration from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. He received the juris doctor in 2007 from the University of Puerto Rico Law School in Rio Piedras.

A fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American College of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology, Rodriguez is a member of several professional organizations, including the American College of Physician Executives and the American Bar Association. He has coauthored three articles for peer-reviewed publications.

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