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Dr. Trudy Larson named chair of pediatrics

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A new chairman of the Department of Pediatrics has been chosen by the University of Nevada School of Medicine. Trudy Larson, M.D., who has been on the medical school faculty since 1984 and served as the vice chairman of the department for the past three years, has been named to the post.

Before joining the medical school faculty full time, Dr. Larson had a consulting practice in pediatric infectious diseases in Reno.

Dr. Larson serves on the Nevada Statewide AIDS Advisory Task Force, chaired the ad hoc Committee on Drug Abuse and AIDS in 1988, is vice chair for the Nevada State Medical Association's Special Committee on Public Health, and was on the Governor's Interagency Coordinating Council from 1990 to 1992. She also is a medical consultant to Washoe County District Health Department Maternal-Child Health program and Communicable Diseases program, and is co-medical director for the Early Intervention Clinic for HIV care. Dr. Larson has been actively involved in outreach programs designed to educate medical professionals throughout the state about the safe and effective care of patients infected with HIV.

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Dr. Larson is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Alpha Omega Alpha. She also is a member of numerous professional organizations, including the American Medical Womens Association, American Society of Microbiology, Pediatric Infectious Disease Society, the Washoe County Medical Society and the Nevada State Medical Association. She has been active in community organizations as an advocate for women's and children's issues.

Dr. Larson earned her medical degree at the University of California, Irvine, did an internship and residency at the University of California, Davis Medical Center in Sacramento, where she was chief resident in 1980, and completed a pediatric infectious disease fellowship at the University of California, Los Angeles in 1983.

Dr. Larson was certified by the American Board of Pediatrics in 1984 and by the Pediatric Infectious Disease Specialty Board in 1994, which was established that year. She is licensed to practice in both California and Nevada.