



**Dr. Ashley Cooper**  
**2015 Walk to Cure Arthritis**  
**Medical Honoree**  
**Kansas City, KS**

Meet our Pediatric Medical Honoree, Dr. Ashley Cooper

Dr. Ashley Cooper, a pediatric rheumatologist at Children's Mercy Hospital, is thrilled to be the Pediatric Medical Honoree at this year's Walk to Cure Arthritis. Dr. Cooper is constantly amazed by the strength and perseverance that she sees in her young patients living with arthritis and related autoimmune conditions.

She has become very involved with the Arthritis Foundation through her role as medical director of Camp Joint Adventures, a summer camp for children with arthritis. "I am so proud to partner with the Arthritis Foundation because this organization is not only committed to supporting arthritis research, but also to providing tangible benefits to the children and adults living in our community with arthritis", Dr. Cooper says. "It was such a privilege to see our patients at camp last summer, outside of the medical setting, just being kids and enjoying the experience of meeting other children with arthritis. Without the Arthritis Foundation, that experience would not have been possible for them. I am truly grateful for all of the support that the Arthritis Foundation provides to our patients and our medical team."

We are thankful for Dr. Cooper's commitment to her patients, and we are excited to recognize her as the 2015 Walk to Cure Arthritis Medical Honoree.

**About the Arthritis Foundation**

The Arthritis Foundation ([www.arthritis.org](http://www.arthritis.org)) is committed to raising awareness and reducing the unacceptable impact of arthritis, which strikes one in every five adults and 300,000 children, and is the nation's leading cause of disability. To conquer this painful, debilitating disease, we support education, research, advocacy and other vital programs and services.