

## Bio for Ana I Quintero-Del Rio, MD, MPH, FAAP

Dr. Quintero-Del Rio is currently an Interim-Section Chief in the Section of Pediatric Rheumatology and Clinical Associate Professor at the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center. She graduated from the San Juan Bautista Medical School in Puerto Rico. She completed her residency training in Pediatrics at Dr. Ramon Ruiz Arnau University Hospital in 1993 and went to do her fellowship in Pediatric Rheumatology at UT Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, Texas. A year after completion of her fellowship, she accepted a post-doctoral research fellowship position at OU Medical Center and OMRF, where she started her research in lupus genetics developing the registry for the Hispanic population and performing linkage studies. In addition, she completed a Public Health Master degree in Epidemiology at OU School of Public Health. She has presented at many local and national meetings, several scientific publications and is the author and co-author of three books dedicated to educate the community in lupus and other chronic conditions. For the last fourteen years, she has been involved in direct patient care, academics, clinical and bench research and collaborator of international pediatric rheumatology studies. In addition, she has been a board member of several professional associations, developed a support group for patients with rheumatologic conditions and has been the editor of "Mi Peditra", a community magazine of the pediatric society of Puerto Rico for over nine years. She has returned to Oklahoma to develop the Pediatric Rheumatology program with research and patient care.