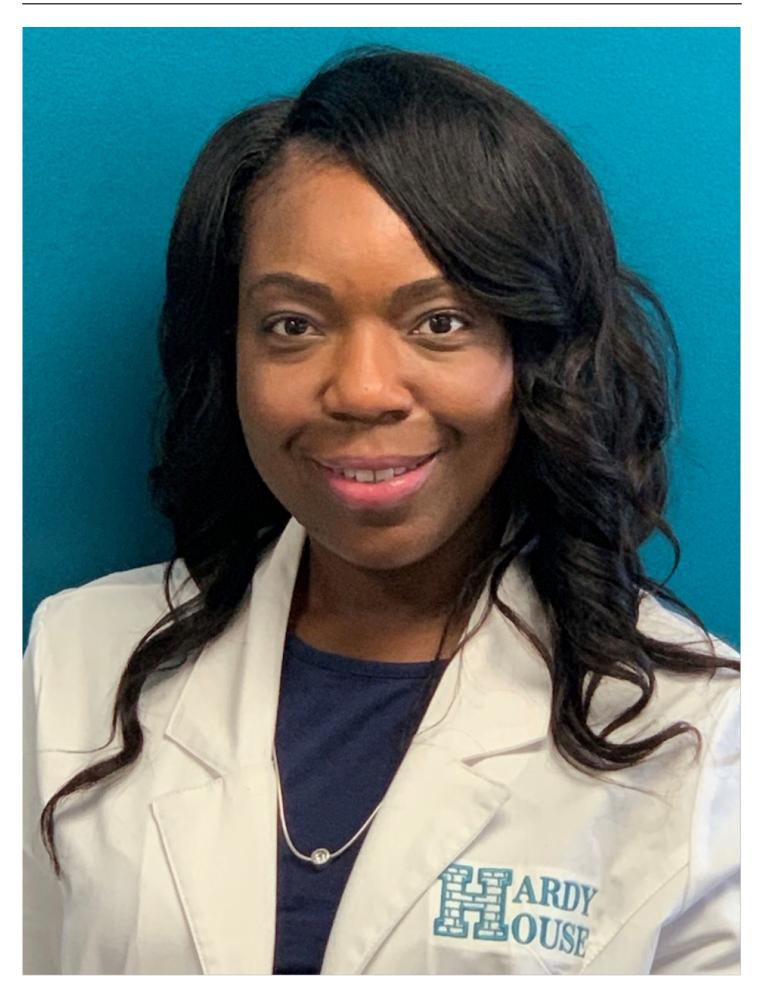
LaTonya S. Hardy, MSN, APN, DNP, Nurse Practitioner with Hardy House

Get to know Nurse Practitioner Dr. LaTonya S. Hardy, who serves patients in Bartlett, Tennessee.



New York City, Sep 30, 2019 (<u>Issuewire.com</u>**)** - Dr. Hardy is a nurse practitioner who is the Founder of Hardy House in Bartlett, Tennessee. Hardy House is a family practice clinic that provides valuable preventive healthcare to all families in the Shelby County area of Tennessee. The practice focuses on providing care not only to the 59,000 residents of the Bartlett, TN area but also to the entire Memphis metropolitan area. Hardy House provides services to patients of all ages with the aim of reducing morbidity and mortality caused by preventive illnesses through ensuring compliance with preventive and routine healthcare screenings.

In addition to her work at Hardy House, Dr. Hardy is affiliated with St. Francis Hospital, Baptist Memorial Hospital Memphis, Baptist Memorial Hospital Desoto, and Methodist-LeBonheur Healthcare. Her nursing background includes work in the areas of emergency medicine, hospice care, intensive care, and medical-surgical observation. As a Nurse Practitioner she has worked for Whitehaven Pediatrics, Walgreens Take Care Clinic, and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in the Bone Marrow Transplant and Cellular Therapy Department. Her work at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital allowed her to gain expert skills and knowledge in performing specialty procedures that she was able to carry with her to the West Cancer Center.

Her community involvement at the West Cancer Center includes serving as the provider for the "Love Your Lungs" campaign. The "Love Your Lungs" campaign provides free lung screenings to residents in the Shelby County area with the aim to decrease the rate of mortality for lung cancer. She also participates in multiple health fairs to spread awareness of primary prevention and cancer screenings. Her passion for providing quality care allowed her to lead a quality improvement research project to improve hematology and oncology care specifically in the chemotherapy infusion room.

As for her educational background, Dr. Hardy holds a degree of Doctor of Nursing Practice degree from the University of Alabama, a Master of Science in Nursing degree from the University of Memphis, a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, and a Bachelor of Science degree in biology from the University of Memphis. She also holds a certification from the American Academy of Nursing Practice in Family Nursing Practice. Furthermore, she is a member of the Tennessee Nurses Association, the American Association of Nurse Practitioners, and the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing.

With regards to her achievements, Dr. Hardy has earned multiple awards and accolades such as the University of Memphis "Black Scholars" Award. She was also a recipient of the "Robert Wood Johnson Scholarship" and "Chancellor Scholarship" while at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center. At the University of Alabama, she earned the Innovation in Practice Research Award.

Before deciding to pursue her dream of becoming a nurse, Dr. Hardy served for 6 years in the US Navy. She finds herself to be a natural caregiver and nurturer, and she attributes her success to God and the ability to seek opportunities for advancement by filling the gaps inpatient care when needed.

Dr. Hardy holds a Doctor of Nursing Practice which is the pinnacle of a clinical practice degree that fosters leadership, quality improvement, and evidence-based practice. A nurse practitioner (NP) is an advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) classified as a mid-level practitioner. An NP, like Dr. Hardy, is trained to assess patient needs, order and interpret diagnostic and laboratory tests, diagnose illness and disease, prescribe medications, as well as formulate treatment plans. She understands patients' values and needs and remains committed to providing excellent care.

In her spare time, Dr. Hardy enjoys spending time with her husband, Stacy Hardy, and their three children - Johnathan, Mariah, and Jasmine. She also enjoys cooking, participating in volunteer activities

at her church, and traveling.

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