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This year, Dr. Lee Jaffee is celebrating 30 years as a pediatrician serving the Northeast Philadelphia community. His patient care philosophy is rooted in treating the whole family, not just the child. “I enjoy educating and teaching new parents, and I hope what I do helps them be happy, successful and healthy,” Dr. Jaffee says. “And I hope I’m someone patients remember even when they age out of pediatric care.”

Dr. Jaffee was born and raised in Northeast Philadelphia and is a proud product of the Philadelphia school system—from J. Hampton Moore Elementary School through to his medical residency at Albert Einstein Medical Center—with a brief deviation for medical school in Kansas City. “You hear negatives about the Philadelphia school system,” he says, “but I tell parents and patients that it’s not about the school you go to, it’s about the time, effort and hard work you put into it.”

He’s proud to have returned to the neighborhood that raised him to give back to the community for more than three decades now. Some of his patients have now grown up and become parents themselves, and are now trusting their own children with his expert care. His patients’ parents, whether they’ve known him for many years or have recently joined his practice, rave about his care and bedside manner. Rather than rush patients out of the room, Dr. Jaffee takes time with each patient, answering any questions they have, celebrating their successes, offering advice around hard times, such as a cancer diagnosis or chronic condition like ADHD, and keeping patients and parents comfortable, which includes the occasional dad joke.

Kim Hughes Rapone, whose 18-year-old daughter has been seeing Dr. Jaffee since she was born, says when she was pregnant she interviewed a number of pediatricians and didn’t get a good feeling—until she met with Dr. Jaffee at her friend’s recommendation. “He answered every question I had, yet I never had to ask a question,” Rapone says. “He’s very good with giving stories of his own kids and experiences to help ease your fears. My child has had some odd things throughout the years, and one call to Dr. Jaffee and I felt calm again.”



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