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A widely published researcher in pediatrics and infectious diseases, Dr. Baker has authored or co-authored more than 300 published studies, reviews and book chapters. She also is associate editor of the 2000, 2003, 2006 and 2009 *Red Book* published by the AAP and *Infectious Diseases of the Fetus and Newborn Infant* (sixth edition) as well as reviewer for several scientific journals, including *New England Journal of Medicine*, *Journal of the American Medical Association*, *Pediatrics* and *Clinical Infectious Diseases*.

Dr. Baker's work has focused on all aspects of pediatric infectious diseases, including streptococcal infections and vaccine research. In 1997, Dr. Baker was the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award from the Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society and has been recognized as a Best Doctor in America™ for the past 11 years.

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