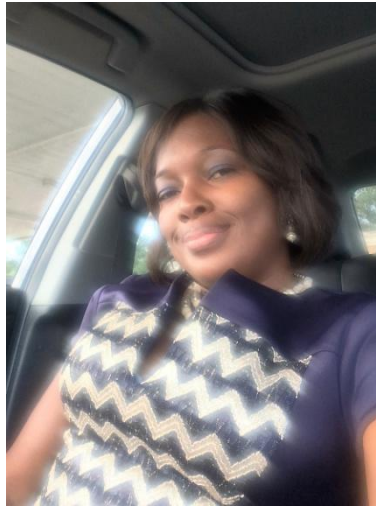


## Jeanne Julious Tate



**Jeanne Julious Tate** is an avid sickle cell supporter and advocate. She found out she had sickle cell disease (SS) when she was ten-years old. Not letting her illness hinder her, she was determined to go to college and pursue a career in accounting. She obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics and Accounting from Tougaloo College and later obtained a Master of Professional Accountancy from Jackson State University. She has more than twenty years of accounting and auditing experience and more than ten years in state government. She is currently an Accounting/Auditor Bureau Director at the MS Department of Education and has over ten years of experience as an auditor with the MS State Auditor's Office.

Jeanne has dedicated her life to giving back to the sickle cell community. She and her mother started working with the Central MS Sickle Cell Foundation (now the MS Sickle Cell Foundation) Patient and Parent Support Group twenty years ago. Her passion for working with children with SCD led her to become a camp counselor for "Camp Sickle Stars" for the last 16 years. In November 2010, Jeanne became a board member with the MS Sickle Cell Foundation and became the Chairperson of the MSCF Patient and Parent Support Group in Jackson, MS. Her personal mission is to ensure all patients, parents, and families know there are others that understand what they are going through and are here to listen. Her goal as Support Group Chair is to help establish support groups across the state.

Jeanne is a member of College Hill M.B. Church in Jackson, MS. She is married to Phillip Tate, Jr. and they have one son, Jamari Tate.