



Special Medical Staff Update May 25, 2022



Earlier this year, MCHD welcomed Dr. Joshua Sirucek to its Heppner medical staff to provide care in both the clinic and emergency room. Dr. Sirucek resides in Iowa with his family and intended to relocate to our community. Unfortunately, due to a change in family circumstances, Dr. Sirucek is unable to relocate to Heppner at this time.

Dr. Sirucek will continue seeing patients in the clinic and ER as scheduled through the end of August, 2022. After that time, Dr. Sirucek will be unable to see patients in the clinic, however, he will continue to work in the ER as available. Dr. Sirucek and MCHD are mutually interested in having Dr. Sirucek resume his clinic duties at a future date when his circumstances change.

We fully recognize that many in our community have come to know and appreciate being cared for by Dr. Sirucek. MCHD echoes their sentiments and acknowledges patients' frustrations in wanting to establish a long-term relationship with a primary care provider in the community.

MCHD will welcome Amanda Roy, PA-C in July of 2022 and Dr. Rodney Schaffer in August of 2022. Look for additional details about their arrival on social media and in the upcoming summer newsletter, "Living Healthier."

In the meantime, MCHD reminds all served by the District that our health care teams continue to provide high-quality, patient-centered care in Heppner, Lone, Lexington, Boardman, and Irrigon. Visit healthymc.org for details about each of our providers and locations.

Additionally, MCHD continues its unwavering commitment to advancing access to care, working with several recruitment resources to identify candidates with a desire to serve our unique rural communities.

Lastly, we ask that our community turn to MCHD for the facts about staffing and other District news. Though it can be tempting to join a chorus of negative voices, we're focused on creating a symphony of health, wellbeing, and community harmony. We invite the community to send questions and comments to community@moco hd.org.