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Bethel Family Health Center Welcomes Kristin Arsenault

BETHEL – Bethel Family Health Center will be welcoming [Kristin Arsenault, FNP](#) to the medical team this winter. She recently completed a Family/Community Nurse Practitioner, Master in Nursing degree at St. Joseph's College of Maine where she previously obtained an undergraduate nursing degree. She brings hospital nursing experience in both intermediate and emergency care.



"Comfort, respect and quality medical care are the values that guide my practice as a nurse practitioner," Kristin recently shared. "I enjoy working with patients as part of a multidisciplinary team to accomplish goals that are both holistic and patient centered.

Taking a team approach to healthcare subsequently reinforces the commitment to the common goal of care that is patient focused on." She went on to say: "As a nurse in the Emergency Department I have had the opportunity to treat people from diverse backgrounds in the most vulnerable times of their lives. Through my experience working in this environment I have developed strong moral and ethical guides to provide safe, reliable and equitable care across the continuum of patients. Throughout my career, I have learned the importance of providing holistic care through active participation with my patients. I look forward to bringing my personal philosophy of care to the patients of the Bethel Family Health Center."

At the health center, Kristin will work alongside physicians, Rich DeCarolis, Catherine Chamberlin and Kevin Finley, as well as clinical social workers, Leslie Lufkin and Katharyn Sloma. In addition, Sharon Smith-Bouchard offers oral hygiene services to children and adolescents. 3,600 people from Andover, Bethel, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Newton, Upton, Woodstock and neighboring towns visit the health center each year for a variety of medical and behavioral health services.

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