

PHYSICIAN SPOTLIGHT



If you were to be a fly on the wall in Dr. Kerri Kulovitz's operating room, you would be treated to the sounds of "yacht rock." So, what exactly is it? Yacht rock is a musical style associated with soft rock that includes singers like Lionel Richie, Jimmy Buffet and Toto.

Kulovitz, who is a hand surgeon with Columbus Orthopedic & Sports Medicine Clinic, says the music relaxes her so she can give her patients the care they need.

"I am passionate about my work, because it allows patients to utilize their hands again," she said. **"Everyone uses their hands, no matter their age. Whether I am helping someone return to work, eat a meal, hold their child or get back onto the playing field, each patient is different and has a unique set of goals. It is the best feeling when I am able to see someone reach their goals and utilize their hands again in a functional manner."**

Kulovitz came to COSMC in 2020, and she calls the group of caregivers at COSMC the **"dream team."** **"It truly has been an honor to serve the people in this community,"** she said.

In her free time, Kulovitz enjoys spending time with her husband and 2-year-old daughter. She also likes running, cooking, gardening and waterskiing in the summer.

In fact, she competed on the waterski team at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and it was there that she learned how to jump, trick and slalom. **"Trick skiing is my favorite,"** she said.

She says if she ever won the lottery, she would want to donate her winnings to Touching Hands Medical Mission, which is part of the American Society for Surgery of the Hand. **"Touching Hands provides life-changing hand surgeries, rehabilitation and medical training in the world's underserved communities,"** she said.

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