

PHYSICIAN SPOTLIGHT



**Dr. Marie
Rodehorst**

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When Dr. Marie Rodehorst was in medical school, she took a class called “The Healer’s Art,” which focused on the fact that medicine is so much more than treating an illness – it’s also treating a human being.

The class had a profound effect on Dr. Rodehorst, who believes it’s truly an honor to get to know her patients and their families. She has been working as a family medicine doctor at Columbus Family Practice since September 2021, and loves her job.

“I try my best to really understand my patients and hear their concerns,” she said. **“Sometimes listening is the hardest but most important part of medicine. I feel that if we as providers better understand our patients, we are then able to provide the best care for them as individuals.”**

Dr. Rodehorst says her biggest influence in her life was her parents. **“My mother taught me the importance of kindness and accepting everyone, no matter their background or circumstance,”** she said. **“My father taught me the importance of integrity and the value of knowledge and education. I unfortunately lost my mother while I was in college, but I am thankful to still have my father for guidance and wisdom.”**

Away from the clinic, Dr. Rodehorst spends her free time with her husband and three young daughters. They keep busy in Columbus with visits to the YMCA, the new library and the children’s museum. They also enjoy family movie nights at home and weekend breakfasts in their pajamas.

Her favorite books are J.K. Rowling’s Harry Potter series, and she says she would love to meet the British author someday.

And her most dramatic medicine-related story happened when she was in high school: She passed out during the first surgery she watched when job shadowing a plastic surgeon. **“I learned how important it truly is to eat breakfast,”** she said.

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