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### **Columbus Community Hospital welcomes new hospitalist**

For Immediate Release

**(COLUMBUS, Neb.)** – Columbus Community Hospital welcomes Dr. Chris Buckley as its newest hospitalist. He joins the team at Inpatient Physician Associates Columbus.

Buckley received his Bachelor of Arts Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Virginia, before receiving his Doctor of Law degree from Creighton University School of Law in Omaha. He later completed undergraduate classes at the University of Nebraska Omaha. He received his Doctor of Medicine from the University of Nebraska Medical Center, College of Medicine in Omaha.

In June, Buckley will complete his residency in internal medicine at Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha.

“Dr. Buckley is a fantastic person with an easygoing, relatable personality that will comfort patients,” said Dr. Kurt Kapels, clinical director at Inpatient Physician Associates Columbus. “He is also bilingual, which will be another added benefit in the care of our Spanish-speaking patients.”

Buckley was part of the Student Alliance for Global Health and completed a medical service trip to Nicaragua, providing primary care to the people there.

“I’ve known Dr. Buckley for 15 years,” said Kapels. “I can attest he will fit seamlessly with our group, the staff at CCH and our community.”

He joins Inpatient Physician Associates Columbus, a private practice group that provides hospitalist care to patients at Columbus Community Hospital. The team of board-certified hospitalists is available 24/7 to respond to patients’ needs.

“Once our patients meet him, they will quickly appreciate his great sense of humor, depth of knowledge and problem-solving skills,” said Kapels. “We are excited to welcome him to our team!”



For more information about Buckley or hospitalist services at the hospital, please visit [www.columbushosp.org](http://www.columbushosp.org).