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Hospital welcomes new provider to emergency department

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(COLUMBUS, Neb.) – Columbus Community Hospital welcomes Staci Stempek, MSN, APRN-FNP, as a new medical provider in the emergency department. She will start at the end of September.

Stempek received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Briar Cliff University in Sioux City, Iowa. She then earned her Master of Science in Nursing, Family Practice, from Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska.

She worked as a registered nurse in both the neonatal intensive care unit and pediatric ICU at Children’s Hospital and Medical Center in Omaha from 2007 until 2009, before working as a registered nurse in the neonatal intensive care unit at Methodist Women’s Health in Omaha from 2010-2016.

She worked as a registered nurse in the maternal child health unit at Columbus Community Hospital for six years before transitioning to a role as an advanced practice registered nurse at Columbus Family Practice.

“Staci did her emergency medicine rotation with us during her APRN training,” said Dr. Mark Howerter, physician director in the emergency department. “We identified her as a quick learner with a great aptitude for emergency medicine.”

She returned to the hospital to work in the emergency department as needed during the coronavirus pandemic.

“She stepped up to help significantly during the pandemic surge of 2020,” Howerter said. “As more hours have become available, I offered the opportunity to expand her hours and experience. Thankfully, she agreed and is a great addition to our core team of advanced practice providers.”

She is certified by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP).



For more information about Stempek or the hospital's emergency department, call 402-564-7118 or visit www.columbushosp.org.

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