

Dr. Michael Moran Joins Medical Staff at Bath Community Hospital

Bath Community Hospital (BCH) is pleased to announce that family practitioner Michael Moran, MD will join Bath Community Family Practice, and the active medical staff, beginning Monday, August 3rd.

Dr. Moran returns to the area, after completing his residency at MidMichigan Medical Center's Midland Family Practice Residency Program this month, with his wife, and Clifton Forge native, Teresa Jeffries Moran, and their two children, Nicholas, age 9 and Sophia, age 3.

Prior to attending medical school at American University of the Carribean in St. Maarten, Dr. Moran lived in the Covington area for over 20 years, and worked as a registered nurse in Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital's trauma unit. He was also an active paramedic and EMT/Paramedic instructor.

"We're delighted to welcome Michael back to the highlands as Dr. Moran," said Debbie Lipes, Bath Community Hospital's CEO. "His connections, family medicine training, and vast experience in emergency medicine are a good fit for Bath Community Hospital, and for the community as a whole."

Prior to attending medical school he trained BCH nurses in Advanced and Pediatric Life Support classes. He also attended nursing school at Dabney S. Lancaster Community College with family nurse practitioner Kim Rexrode, his future colleague at Bath Community Family Practice. "He's already familiar with the Alleghany Highland's community and Bath Community Hospital, so it will be a smooth transition," said Lipes.

Dr. Moran's motivation for becoming a family physician was his desire to return to the area with his family to practice family medicine, while continuing to practice emergency medicine in a rural environment. "I also wanted to offer services not offered in the area, so residents don't have to travel far," said Dr. Moran. He will have completed a fellowship in sleep medicine to treat common problems such as insomnias, apneas, and other sleep-related breathing disorders.

Dr. Moran will also serve as course medical director for EMT and paramedic accreditation, and will be an endorsed EMS Physician, taking an active part in education and recruitment of EMTs and paramedics.

Both Dr. Moran's and his wife Teresa's, parents live in the Covington/Clifton Forge area. Teresa is an x-ray technician specializing in CT scan, and is currently working towards her MBA. She graduated from Alleghany Regional Hospital's x-ray technician program.

"We're fortunate to have such a skilled and dedicated physician join our medical team," said Lipes. "Dr. Moran and his family's desire to return to the area, and his history of service to the community, show a strong commitment to the practice, the hospital, and to our residents."

"I'm here until I retire," adds Dr. Moran.

Bath Community Family Practice is currently taking new patients. For more information and to make an appointment, please call 540-839-7197.

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