



**-FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE-
SRMC Primary Care – Damascus welcomes nurse practitioner;
set to reopen May 4**

(SALEM, OHIO) – April 30, 2020– Salem Regional Medical Center (SRMC) is announcing that its SRMC Primary Care – Damascus practice will re-open on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., beginning May 4. The practice has been temporarily closed since mid-March due to the COVID-19 outbreak, when staff was reassigned to provide other essential healthcare services. The practice will gradually be adding days and hours in a phased approach.

Beginning May 4, walk-in appointments will also be available during regular office hours for those with a variety of minor illnesses or injuries. Individuals with flu-like symptoms are asked to call in advance. Please note that COVID-19 testing will not be available at the Damascus office.

The office is taking enhanced precautions to ensure the health and safety of staff and patients during their visit. These measures include a reconfigured waiting area and scheduling that promotes social distancing, in addition to frequent sanitization of chairs, exam tables and patient care areas. Patients are asked to wear a mask to the office to help maintain the health and safety of all patients and caregivers. Individuals who do not have a cloth mask will be given one upon entry that they will then return upon exit from the office.



**Gabrielle
Dickerhoof**

Gabrielle Dickerhoof joins Damascus Practice

Certified nurse practitioner Gabrielle Dickerhoof, MSN, APRN, CNP has joined the Damascus practice and is accepting new patients. She will offer a full range of primary care services for patients of all ages, including preventative and wellness care; sick visits; chronic disease management and health education.

Dickerhoof graduated from Walsh University with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. She continued her education at Malone University, where she earned her Master of Science in Nursing and nurse practitioner certification through the American Association of Nurse Practitioners.

Prior to joining SRMC Primary Care – Damascus, Dickerhoof most recently worked as a family nurse practitioner in the Canton area. She has also served as an RN at Aultman Hospital. Her professional memberships include the American Association of Nurse Practitioners and the Ohio Association of Advanced Practice Nurses.

Telehealth (Virtual) Visits Available

Patients of SCH Professional Corporation practices can also see providers online in the privacy of their own home by using the FollowMyHealth® Patient Portal. This telehealth service allows established patients to have a secure and easy way to receive care from SCH Professional Corporation providers in a live, virtual visit using a smartphone (iPhone or Android), tablet or computer.

Telehealth appointments can be scheduled Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information about how to schedule a telehealth appointment, call 330-332-7807.

Office Location and Appointment Scheduling

SRMC Primary Care – Damascus is located at 28885 State Route 62 next to Damascus Friends Church. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 330-446-4096. Additional information can also be found on the practice's website at www.damascusprimarycare.com.