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Dr. Anderson leaves JoCo Peds, Dr. Loch joins practice

As Johnson County Pediatrics says goodbye to one physician, we welcome a new pediatrician to our growing practice. Dr. Allison Anderson is retiring at the end of September, and Dr. Abby Loch started with JoCo Peds on Aug. 1.

“We are so thankful for the enormous contributions that Dr. Anderson has made to Johnson County Pediatrics,” said Barb Massey, practice administrator. “There is no way to measure the positive and lasting impact she has had on thousands of families throughout the years.”

Dr. Anderson started at JoCo Peds in 1990, after receiving a bachelor’s degree in microbiology from the University of Kansas and a degree in medicine from KU School of Medicine.

She served her internship and residency at Children’s Mercy Hospital.

“My main interest was infectious disease and I knew I didn’t want to be a ‘surgeon type’,” Dr. Anderson said. “So, it was either pediatrics or internal medicine and I liked the kids more.”



Professional curiosity and a desire to always keep learning kept her passionate about pediatrics, she said. Anderson has enjoyed building relationships with families, and she worked to set an example as a professional woman for her daughters.

One of her biggest accomplishments as a pediatrician is “being a tireless and stubborn advocate for the judicious use of antibiotics,” she said.

Throughout the years Dr. Anderson has advised parents on thousands of issues and concerns. If there is just one word she could say to advise parents it would be “consistency.”

“Be consistent and follow through,” she said. “And don’t give in even if you’re tired.”

After more than 20 years at Johnson County Pediatrics Dr. Anderson said it is the appropriate time to retire.

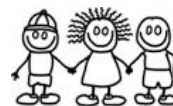
“Many factors went into my decision,” she said. “Life is short and it was time to do more things. I enjoy outside of office practice. I also wanted to try doing medical mission work.”

“I plan to travel frequently, do lots of volunteering, spend more time with my parents and just have fun.”

Meet Dr. Abby Loch on the next page

News

Flu clinics, providing flu shots and mist, will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. each Wednesday. Please call to schedule appointments.



Appointment times are when visits with physicians begin. Please arrive 15 minutes EARLY to check in & update information.



JoCo Peds is a no peanut zone. Please don’t bring any foods containing peanuts or peanut butter to the office.

Co-pays collected at check-in are not set by our office. The co-pay amounts are set by individual insurance companies.



Payments of any outstanding balances are expected at time of service. If you have questions please contact our business office.

Our practice is starting the transition to Electronic Medical Records. The change will be gradual, & patients may notice differences in how information is obtained & recorded.

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Johnson County Peds welcomes Dr. Abby Loch

Dr. Loch grew up on a farm in northeastern Iowa – the town where she went to high school is where the movie “Field of Dreams” was made.

“I always wanted to be a doctor, minus a brief period in the second grade when I wanted to be a marine biologist so I could swim with dolphins,” she said. “Aside from that it’s always been a doctor. I’m not really sure why. Maybe it is because my mom told me my handwriting was so messy I should just be a doctor!”

Her mother and father are Dr. Loch’s heroes.

“They have been great examples to me,” she said. “They have strong work ethic, are intelligent, and take nothing for granted. Their support throughout my education has been nothing short of amazing.”

Dr. Loch came to Johnson County Pediatrics after completing her residency at Children’s Mercy Hospital. She graduated from Drake University and the University of Kansas School of Medicine.

“JCP came highly recommended by several pediatricians that I know,” she said. “Many of them bring their kids here and I think that speaks highly of the practice. Everyone I have met here so far has been friendly and approachable and obviously care about children’s health.”

She is married to Jaimie Loch. In her free time she enjoys going to concerts, movies and checking out new restaurants. She and her husband also enjoy traveling.



Dr. Abby Loch and her husband, Jaimie Loch, on a recent vacation.

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News & Events

*** Our expanded walk-in hours are working well for our patients and staff members. Walk-in hours are:**

Monday -- Thursday
8 - 11 a.m. &
1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Friday
8 - 11 a.m.

Saturday
9 a.m. -- noon

*** Dr. Richard Decker offers appointments on one Saturday each month. Visit our Facebook page or call us for the next date.**

*** Our New Mom/Dad Social is at 2 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month. The free-of-charge event gives parents with children 6 months of age or younger a chance to hear a presentation from a pediatrician, ask questions and meet other parents.**

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