Member of the Month - April 2022





NAME: Shannon Holsen, MD Undergraduate School: NDSU Medical School: UNDSMHS Residency: Altru Grand Forks

Any additional training: Currently a part of the AAFP LPW program

Current Position/Practice Location: Family Medicine, full spectrum at Altru Grand Forks

Family: Married to Mark with our 3 amazing children Brayden (9), Ellianna (5), and Jackson (3). We have

2 dogs Missy and Riley.

Family Medicine Questions: (please answer 3)

- 1. Why did you choose Family Medicine? I feel like it chose me. I love being able to take care of all ages and constantly learning and helping others in a variety of different ways.
- 2. Who is someone along your path that inspired you and why? My grandfather: He was always happy, He was a social man, he would spread joy and a kid at heart. He was a great leader and was always involved in the community. Everywhere we went people knew him and had great respect for him.
- 3. If you weren't a physician, what do you think you would be doing? Teacher or Wellness coach
- 4. What is the best part of your current position/practice? My amazing partners, always learning and helping others.
- 5. What advice would you give to a young physician starting out? Take time for yourself. In order to give the best care to others, we must also learn to care for ourselves. Make this a priority and schedule it in if you need to.

Fun Questions: (please answer 3)

- 1. Where's your favorite place in the world? Too many to list. Somewhere connected to nature, being in Alaska and at a beach with snorkeling and soft sand are probably at the top of the list. Also, Disney as I love seeing the smiles on my kids' faces and the innovation and creativity that Walt Disney had brought to life.
- 2. If you could be an animal, which would it be? A bird, so I could fly or travel almost anywhere.
- 3. The last book you read? The more of Less
- 4. What are you currently binge watching? Bridgerton, The World's Most Amazing Vacation Rentals, and Down to Earth with Zac Efron
- 5. How many states have you visited? 20, hopefully will be 22 by the end of the year