



**Sarah G. Alvarez, MD**

**Family Medicine**

**Certification:** American Board of Family Medicine.

**Education:** Dr. Alvarez earned a medical degree from Brown University (Providence, R.I.) and completed a residency at New York Presbyterian Hospital in New York City.



**Karl Bausler, Physician Assistant**

**Family Medicine**

**Certification:** American Nurses Credentialing Center.

**Education:** Karl was trained as a family nurse practitioner and physician assistant at Stanford University and completed a residency in emergency medicine at Los Angeles County trauma center.

**Special Interests:** Karl enjoys working with teens.



**Dr. William Beutel, MD**

**General Surgery**

**Certification:** American Board of Surgery.

**Education:** Dr. Beutel earned his Medical Doctorate and Master of Public Health degrees from the University of Illinois in Chicago. He also holds a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry from Wheaton College in Wheaton, Ill., and a Master of Science degree in biology from Occidental College in Los Angeles. Dr. Beutel spent three years as a staff surgeon at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics Department of Surgery in Iowa City, Iowa, then moved to the Charlotte, N.C., region where he had a private surgical practice for 23 years.

**Awards & Honors:** While in college, Dr. Beutel was selected for the James Scholar Program of Independent Study at the University of Illinois. He also participated in the Medical Assistance Programs-Reader's Digest International Medical Fellowship Program in India.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Beutel has special medical interests in gall bladder disease, nutrition and wound healing. He also enjoys hiking, fishing and reading.



**Tom Bornstein, DDS**

**Dentistry**

**Education:** Dr. Bornstein earned a dental degree from the University of Maryland and completed a residency in advanced general practice at the Alaska Native Medical Center. Dr. Bornstein is the director of dental services for SEARHC.

**Awards & Honors:** SEARHC's Gumboot Award.



**Cate Buley, MD**

**Family Medicine**

**Certification:** American Board of Family Medicine.

**Education:** Dr. Buley earned a medical degree from the University of Minnesota Medical School and received family medicine training in Duluth, Minn.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Buley provides a full spectrum of family medicine.

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**Sally A. Caldwell, MEd, LPC, CDC I**  
**Behavioral Health, Clinician**

**Certification:** Licensed Professional Counselor (State of Alaska), Chemical Dependency Counselor I (State of Alaska), State of Alaska-certified fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASD) trainer and State of Alaska-certified SOAR (Senior Outreach, Assessment and Referral) project case manager.

**Education:** Sally earned a Masters of Education degree in guidance and counseling from the University of Alaska Fairbanks, where she completed internships in school counseling, mental health inpatient treatment for youth and in trauma-informed therapy with child victims of sexual abuse. Sally also has completed internships in adolescent inpatient alcohol and in drug rehabilitation treatment for women with children. She did graduate study in special education with a specialty in learning disabilities and emotional disturbance exceptionalities. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in professional writing from the University of Oklahoma in Norman.

**Awards & Honors:** Sally was the first recipient of the Strength Through Diversity scholarship from the Fairbanks North-Star Borough School District for her advocacy in addressing the issues of racial prejudice and discrimination in the school system. She was a nominee for The Arc Distinguished Research Award for her work with FASD, and she is a published author who has written on topics related to FASD (including a chapter in the book, "Fantastic Antone Succeeds").

**Special Interests:** Sally specializes in mental health and substance abuse counseling and she provides case management services at the SEARHC Front Street Clinic in Juneau. She also works with clients with FASD and provides in trauma-informed therapy for child and adolescent victims of sexual abuse. She is a professional member of the American Mental Health Counselors Association. Sally also enjoys being a community volunteer, and she provides coordination and support for a cadre of children's class teachers, junior youth empowerment group facilitators and human development program tutors.



**Sonny Chandler, Physician Assistant**  
**Family Medicine**

**Certification:** National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants.

**Education:** Sonny earned a degree from the University of Washington.

**Interests:** Sonny has practiced in family occupational and emergency medicine settings for over 34 years. He sees SEARHC patients who need to be treated on short notice.



**Taylor Dunn, MD**  
**Family Medicine**

**Certification:** American Board of Family Medicine.

**Education:** Dr. Dunn earned a medical degree from the University of Washington School of Medicine in Seattle and completed a residency at the Ventura County Medical Center in Ventura, Calif.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Dunn provides a full range of general family practice with a particular interest in procedures.



**Kelly Erickson, Physician Assistant**  
**Family Medicine**

**Certification:** National Commission of Physician Assistants.

**Education:** Kelly earned a Master of Physician Assistant degree from Oregon Health and Science University in Portland.

**Special Interests:** Kelly practices family medicine acute care. She has a special interest in providing preventive medicine and in treating teenage patients.

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**Shannon B. Farr, OD**  
**Optometry**

**Certification:** American Academy of Optometry.

**Education:** Dr. Farr earned a Doctor of Optometry degree from the Pennsylvania College of Optometry in Philadelphia. She also holds certification in infant vision and aviation vision. She is a Commander in the U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps. Before moving to Juneau, Dr. Farr worked at the Norton Sound Health Corp. in Nome from 2001-07, at the Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corp. in Bethel from 1997-2001, and she completed a Navajo Nation residency in Winslow, Ariz., from 1996-97.

**Awards & Honors:** Dr. Farr is a Fellow in the American Academy of Optometry. She has won various U.S. Public Health Service awards, including an achievement medal, unit commendations, hazardous duty and isolated hardship awards.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Farr has an interest in ocular disease, such as common inflammations known as “iritis.” She also enjoys shooting billiards/pool and volunteering in the community.



**Steven O. Greer, MD**  
**Family Medicine**

**Certification:** American Board of Family Medicine.

**Education:** Dr. Greer earned his medical degree from the University of California San Diego and completed a residency in family medicine with the University of California Davis Shasta Cascade Family Medicine Residency Program. He earned Bachelor of Arts degrees in microbiology and chemistry. Before moving to Juneau he worked in private practice in Red Bluff, Calif., in emergency medicine in Redding, Calif., and for a multispecialty group practice in Bend and Sisters, Ore.

**Awards & Honors:** Dr. Greer won the Reithmeyer Award for excellence in undergraduate family medicine at the University of California San Diego.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Greer has a special interest in full-spectrum family medicine, occupational medicine and medical research. He also enjoys the beautiful outdoors: fishing, skiing, hiking, running, kayaking, western horse riding (when he was in Oregon), spending time with his wife and grown kids, and participating in Rotary Club activities. He said he always wanted to work in Alaska.

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**Kim N. Hort, DMD**  
**Pediatric Dentistry**

**Certification:** Diplomate status with the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry.

**Education:** Dr. Hort earned her Doctor of Dental Medicine degree from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine in Philadelphia. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Albright College of Reading, Pa. After working at the SEARHC Juneau Medical Center from 2000-05, Dr. Hort took a leave of absence to go to Anchorage to complete a residency in pediatric dentistry at the Alaska Native Medical Center that is administered by Lutheran Medical Center of Brooklyn, N.Y. She returned to the SEARHC Juneau Medical Center in August 2007 after completing the program.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Hort has a special interest in the prevention of childhood caries (tooth decay) and raising cavity-free kids. "I am excited to be rejoining the caring and vibrant SEARHC family in my new role," Dr. Hort says.

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**Lúcia H. Nascimento, DDS**  
**Dentistry**

**Certification:** Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing.

**Education:** Dr. Nascimento earned her Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from the Marquette University School of Dentistry in Milwaukee, Wis. She completed an Advanced Education in General Dentistry residency at the SEARHC Ethel Lund Medical Center through Lutheran Medical Center in Brooklyn, N.Y. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in zoology from the University of Florida in Gainesville, Fla., and an Associate of Science degree from City College of San Francisco in California.

**Awards & Honors:** Dr. Nascimento won the 2006 High Achievement in the Undergraduate Curriculum in Dental Care for Persons with Disabilities Award from the Academy of Dentistry for Persons with Disability.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Nascimento has medical interests in prosthodontics and periodontics. She also enjoys wood carving.

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**Reeve S. Newton, DDS**  
**Dentistry**

**Education:** Dr. Newton earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of California-Berkeley, and he earned his Doctorate of Dental Science from the University of California-San Francisco. Before arriving in Juneau to work for SEARHC in 2006, Dr. Newton was in private practice in California for 23 years, then he worked for three years in American Samoa, four years in Germany and four more years in California.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Newton enjoys the great outdoors. When asked about working for SEARHC, Dr. Newton said he is "impressed by the organization's efforts to provide the best possible care for our patients."



**Mary Owen, MD**  
**Family Medicine**

**Certification:** American Board of Family Medicine.

**Education:** Dr. Owen earned a medical degree from University of Minnesota and completed a residency in family practice at University of Minnesota.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Owen enjoys all areas of family practice and is particularly interested in rheumatology and diabetes.



**Mark Peterson, MD**  
**Dentistry**

**Certification:** American Board of Family Medicine.

**Education:** Dr. Peterson earned a medical degree from the University of Iowa. He initially worked for Indian Health Service on the Fort Peck reservation in northeast Montana and completed a residency in family health in Waterloo, Iowa.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Peterson enjoys all areas of family medicine.

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**Ben L. Pinney, DMD**

**Dentistry**

**Certification:** American Board of Family Medicine.

**Education:** Dr. Pinney earned his Doctor of Dental Medicine degree from the Oregon Health Sciences University in Portland. He completed his undergraduate education at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. Dr. Pinney completed an Advanced Education in General Dentistry residency program at SEARHC's Juneau Dental Clinic, a program sponsored by the Lutheran Medical Center in New York City.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Piney enjoys most outdoor activities.



**Magil Pratt, PhD, LPC, RPT**  
**Behavioral Health, Psychology**

**Certification:** Alaska Board of Psychologist and Psychological Assistant Examiners.

**Education:** Dr. Pratt earned a doctoral degree in counselor education from the University of South Dakota.

**Awards & Honors:** Invited to present a paper at the 2004 World Meeting of the International Society for Research on Aggression in Greece.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Pratt is a registered play therapist and has expertise in treating children who have experienced domestic violence and sexual assault.



**Destiny Sargeant, PhD**  
**Behavioral Health, Psychology**

**Certification:** Alaska Board of Psychologist and Psychological Assistant Examiners.

**Education:** Dr. Sargeant earned a doctoral degree in clinical psychology from Alliant University in San Diego.

**Awards & Honors:** Award from Critical Incident Stress Foundation for work at Ground Zero following 9/11 incident.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Sargeant provides a full spectrum of psychological therapy. She has a special interest and expertise in trauma and critical incident stress management. She enjoys using eye movement desensitization reprocessing and thought field therapy to assist people who suffer from trauma.



**Marna L. Schwartz, MD**

**Pediatrics**

**Certification:** American Board of Pediatrics.

**Education:** Dr. Schwartz earned her medical degree from Harvard Medical School in Boston and she completed her residency in pediatrics at the University of Washington Medical Center in Seattle. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Williams College in Williamston, Mass. Dr. Schwartz has worked as a pediatrician with the King County Department of Public Health in Seattle, in addition to serving as a pediatrician at Virginia Mason Medical Center in Seattle and at a number of other small private practices in western Washington. Prior to her career in medicine, Dr. Schwartz lived in Juneau and Anchorage. She said she's very happy to be back working in Alaska.

**Awards & Honors:** Dr. Schwartz is a Fellow in the American Academy of Pediatrics.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Schwartz is interested in developmental pediatrics, adolescent health, infectious disease, and well-baby, child and teen health care. She also enjoys her family, reading, gardening and skiing.



**Jessica R. Scott, MD**

**Family Medicine**

**Certification:** American Board of Family Medicine.

**Education:** Dr. Scott earned her medical degree from the University of Washington School of Medicine in Seattle as part of the Alaska WWAMI program. She also earned a Bachelor of Science degree in cellular and molecular biology from the University of Washington in Seattle. Dr. Scott completed her residency through the Alaska Family Medicine Residency program in Anchorage. She grew up in Kake and Juneau and is a Juneau-Douglas High School graduate.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Scott's medical interests include the full spectrum of family medicine. She also enjoys hiking, biking, fishing and spending time with her family. She is Tlingít, from the Raven moiety and Kaach.ádi (Frog) clan.

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**John D. Sohonage, DDS**

**Dentistry**

**Education:** Dr. Sohonage earned his Doctorate of Dental Science degree from the West Virginia University School of Dentistry in Morgantown, W.V., and he completed a general practice residency at West Virginia University's Ruby Memorial Hospital. He also holds a Bachelor of Science degree in biology from Mount St. Mary's College (now University) in Emmitsburg, Md. Dr. Sohonage has worked at the IHS Kayenta Service Unit in Shonto, Ariz., at the Maniilaq Health Center in Kotzebue, and at the SEARHC Alicia Roberts Medical Center in Klawock, the SEARHC Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital in Sitka and the SEARHC Juneau Dental Clinic.

**Special Interests:** Dr. Sohonage enjoys partially completing home renovation projects.



**Gail Tharpe-Lucero,**

**Physician Assistant**

**Family Medicine**

**Certification:** National Commission on the Certification of Physician Assistants.

**Education:** Gail attended MEDEX Northwest, the University of Washington School of Medicine's Physician Assistant Program. Gail was a Community Health Aide/Practitioner in Angoon before she earned her physician assistant certification.

**Awards & Honors:** Gail was awarded the 2004 Barbara Gunter-Flynn Underserved Award, which honors students from MEDEX Northwest's Spokane or Yakima satellite training sites who demonstrate a commitment to improving access to health care, public awareness of the profession and a commitment to the needs of the medically underserved. She received the 1999 Southeast Region EMS Clinical Provider of the Year Award for her volunteer service and clinical care while working as a Community Health Practitioner in Angoon. She was awarded a 2007 National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Certificate in Appreciation for her service to America's underserved communities as a member of the NHSC. She also shared in a 2005 National Director's Award from the Indian Health Service for her work on the committee that rewrote the Alaska Community Health Aide Manual.

**Special Interests:** Gail is interested in providing health care to underserved populations, with an emphasis in healthy lifestyle education and preventive medicine. She works with Juneau's homeless population at the SEARHC Front Street Clinic.

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**Mitchell R. Wilkinson, DDS**  
**Prosthodontics**

**Education:** Dr. Wilkinson earned his Doctorate of Dental Surgery from the Texas A&M Health Science/Baylor College of Dentistry in Dallas, where he also completed his residency in prosthodontics. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry from the University of Texas Permian Basin in Odessa. He earned a Master of Science degree in oral biology from Baylor University in Waco, Texas. Dr. Wilkinson spent 17 years in private practice in Austin, Texas, and two years as hospital prosthodontist for Smith and White Hospital in Temple, Texas. He also has been an assistant professor of surgery at the Texas A&M Health Science Center/Baylor College of Medicine.

**Awards & Honors:** In 1988, Dr. Wilkinson won a Munksgaard International Publishers Award for an article, "Treatment of the Geriatric Patient."

**Special Interests:** Dr. Wilkinson's medical interests include maxillofacial prosthetics, treatment of pre- and post-radiation head and neck cancer patients, implants, partials, dentures, fixed bridge-work and research. He also enjoys horses, saddle-making (Native American and Western), archery and the guitar.

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**Shirley Workman, Nurse Practitioner**  
**Behavioral Health, Psychiatric Nursing**

**Certification:** American Nurses Credentialing Center.

**Education:** Shirley earned a Master of Science in Nursing degree and a Master of Public Administration degree from the University of Akron in Ohio. She has more than 30 years experience in psychiatric nursing, including six years in Kotzebue with the Maniilaq Health Center.

**Awards & Honors:** Shirley won a Veterans Administration Hands and Heart Award.

**Special Interests:** Shirley's medical interests include the holistic approach in improving mental health across the adult lifespan. She specializes in adult psychiatric mental health nursing, and she has extensive experience in treating patients with co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders.



**Lola Young, Physician Assistant**  
**Family Medicine**

**Certification:** National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants

**Education:** Lola earned a degree from the University of Colorado.

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**Bruce Weeks, MD**  
**Behavioral Health, Psychiatry**

**Certification:** Alaska Board of Psychologist and Psychological Assistant Examiners

**Education:** Dr. Weeks earned a medical degree from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine (Bronx, N.Y.). He completed a psychiatry residency and a geriatric psychiatry fellowship at Montefiore Hospital (Bronx, N.Y.).