

Proudly Announces the Physician, Midwife or Nurse Practitioner of the Month for December 2021



Dr. Johann Schreve

Hospitalist

The VJHPS is pleased to announce **Dr. Johann Schreve as December's 2021 Physician of the Month.** We salute Dr. Schreve for exemplifying the qualities of an excellent physician, and we are pleased to have Dr. Schreve as a respected member of our medical staff since July 2020.

Background and Training

Medical school: University of Stellenbosch, South Africa

Nominator's Comments (Dr. Pieter Aartsma):

It's an honour and privilege to nominate and introduce hospitalist, Dr. Johann Schreve as physician of the month. Originally from South Africa, Dr. Schreve grew up in the picturesque town of Ceres in the Koue Bokkeveld of the Western Cape. His love for medicine and health care was kindled since a young age and has mostly been inspired by his dad, a family physician. After completing his studies, he decided to join the rest of his family in Canada in 2013 where he initially worked in Northern BC and in 2020 made his way to the beautiful Okanagan with his wife and 4 children.

Dr. Schreve is well-known throughout VJH for his approachability, great sense of humour and always bringing a smile to those around him. He is passionate about quality initiatives and is always on the lookout for a new project.

Apart from spending time with his family, Dr. Schreve is also a keen guitarist and singer. He shared some fond memories of the band he started with his brother during their university days. On his days off, you could find him out enjoying a round of golf, playing some tennis or cycling. When asked without whom he would not be able do his job, he answered without hesitation his wife, Suzanne, who he described as his anchor and greatest cheerleader. His favourite meal is home cooked 'steak-and-chips' and he is yet to find a restaurant in the Okanagan who can beat his own bbq.

His all-time favourite superhero is BraveStarr, the galactic marshal who can call on the power of spirit animals to perform superhuman feats. If he were able to teleport anywhere in the world, he would teleport straight to Paternoster, a quaint fishermen's village on the west coast of South Africa where he would enjoy a *braai* with a view of the beautiful Atlantic.

We are very fortunate to have Dr. Schreve as part of our community and medical team at VJH and would like to thank him for his valuable contribution. Congratulations again!