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## **Clinic Nurses Aid Patients From the Moment They Arrive**

Each of the doctors and nurse practitioners in the medical clinic of Mercy Health/Love County is greatly assisted by a clinic nurse devoted to their practice.

### **Ashley Moody, LPN**

"I absolutely love what I do. I wake up and want to be here. Anything I can do to help patients, I want to do," said Ashley Moody. She has been Dr. Stephen Hutchins' clinic nurse since 2015.

After collecting information and taking the patient's vital signs, Moody assists the doctor with the evaluation then administers treatment and medication, as needed. Following the visit, she stresses having an open line with patients and being ready for their calls for follow-up care or just to gain a better understanding of their treatment plan.

"This is a trusting relationship with patients that involves being respectful of their concerns. I do a lot of teaching about the disease process and what to expect. If I see a particular disease for the first time, I read and learn more myself and put those benefits to work for this and future patients."

Moody's mother inspired her daughter's nursing career. "I was in grade school when my mother returned to school to study nursing. One day she took me to a lab class with her. I loved it!" Moody said.

She has been a licensed practical nurse for 12 years. She has prior experience in a hospital and a nursing home.



### **Kellie Westra, LPN**

Kellie Westra helped care for her grandfather while in high school after he entered an assisted living facility. The experience led her to pursue the nursing field.

She is as conscientious today as when helping her family member. "I give all I have to our patients until I know that they are taken care of," Westra said. "I like caring for people." She has been a clinic nurse for two years and is currently assisting Dr. Terry Jones.

She has prior experience as a phlebotomist in a hospital laboratory and as a nurse technician in a dialysis clinic. She graduated from the licensed practical nurse program of Southern Tech in 2016.

She and her husband, Kenny Westra, live in Thackerville. They are parents of two-year-old and six-month old children.



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