

MEET YOUR *Nurse Practitioner...*



SHEILA R. SCHMITZ, RN, CS, MSN

WHY I BECAME A NURSE

"As long as I can remember I have wanted to be a nurse so that I could help patients and their families. While I was finishing my bachelor's degree in nursing, one of my instructors encouraged me to continue with my education and become a nurse practitioner. As a nurse practitioner, I continue to help patients and their families with wellness, acute illness, and chronic disease management."

MS: Mennonite College of Nursing at Illinois State University, Normal

BS: Lakeview College of Nursing, Danville, IL, Nursing

AA: Midway College, Midway, KY, Nursing

CERTIFICATION: American Nurses Credentialing Center in Family Practice

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society and the American College of Nurse Practitioners

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY PRACTICE

As a nurse practitioner in Christie Clinic's Department of Family Medicine, Sheila works in collaboration with physicians to provide primary health care to both adults and children. Women's health, pediatrics, and diabetes mellitus are among her special medical interests.

Sheila and her husband, Gary, have four children, Jeremy, Nathan, Adrianne, and Victoria. In her free time, she enjoys participating in her children's school and extracurricular activities, running in 5K races, reading, and photography.

"I want patients to feel that they are valued by myself and by Christie Clinic. I also want them to feel that their needs were met."

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