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Chair of Primary Care

Dr. Bates was born and raised in the rural seeds of Idaho in the small town of Murtaugh near Twin Falls, ID. He attended Brigham Young University in Provo, UT where he completed premedical studies and obtained an undergraduate degree in business management. He then attended Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in Missouri, followed by an internship at Michigan State. He completed a residency program at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills, MI, a suburb of Detroit. After completing residency training, he established a successful Internal Medicine and Hospitalist practice, serving the people of Rexburg and Idaho Falls, ID.

Dr. Bates has extensive clinical experience as an Internal Medicine and Hospitalist specialist. He was Chief of Staff at Madison Memorial Hospital in Rexburg (2007-2009), and Director of the Madison Hospitalist Program (2014-2017). He is board certified in Internal Medicine and a fellow of the Osteopathic Association of Osteopathic Internists.

Dr. Bates relocated with his family from eastern Idaho to Meridian in the southwest part of the state. His family includes his wonderful wife, MJ, and eight children. His family both supports and inspires him while training medical and allied healthcare students since practicing in Idaho. He has had multiple associations with aspiring premedical students and hopes his teaching and counseling have somehow helped shape their desires for medical service in a caring and professional manner.

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