

# Our **visiting specialists** bring their expertise **to you!**

Save yourself a drive! At Livingston HealthCare, we create partnerships with area experts to bring specialized care to you. Many visiting specialists prefer you schedule directly with their main offices, while some can be scheduled at Livingston HealthCare. Most specialists require a referral from your primary care physician, so ask your doctor if seeing a visiting specialist works for you. If you don't see a healthcare provider in your area of health need, we may have some telemedicine options available, as well. Some specialist's hours vary based on demand. Call us at 406.222.3541 or visit LivingstonHealthCare.org.

**AUDIOLOGY** 



**Will Helton, AuD, FAAA, CCC-A** *Helton Hearing Care* | *Bozeman, Montana* 

Dr. Helton is licensed and certified by the State of Montana Board of Speech and Language Pathologists and Audiologists, and the only audiologist in Bozeman, MT, who holds National Board Certification from the American Board of Audiology (ABA).

Visiting days/hours: First Tuesday of every month

**Medical school:** University of North Texas

**Undergraduate school:** University of North Texas

**Medical group memberships:** 

Montana Speech-Language Hearing Association

Montana Audiology Guild

**CARDIOLOGY** 



**Roger Ng, MD**Billings Clinic | Billings, Montana

**Visiting days/hours:** Three Wednesdays each month, all day **Special practice interests:** Advanced Heart Failure Therapy,

Cardiac Transplantation, Circulatory Assist Devices

**Specialties:** Cardiovascular Disease, Echocardiography (TTE and TEE)

**Board Certified:** 

Cardiovascular Disease, 2014

Echocardiography (TTE and TEE), 2014

Internal Medicine, 2009 Nuclear Cardiology, 2014

Areas of Interest: Advanced Heart Failure Therapy, Cardiac Transplantation,

Circulatory Assist Devices

Medical school: Saba University School of Medicine Residency: University of Massachusetts Medical School Fellowship: St. Vincent Hospital at Worcester Medical Center Undergraduate: University of British Columbia, Vancouver



#### **CARDIOLOGY**



Blair Erb, MD
Bozeman Health | Bozeman, Montana

Blair D. Erb, Jr., MD, has served as chief medical resident and clinical instructor in medicine at University of California, San Francisco. Dr. Erb completed his cardiology fellowship and served as chief fellow in cardiology back at Vanderbilt and as interim director of the echocardiography laboratories at Vanderbilt Medical Center. He founded Cardiology Consultants of Bozeman, PC (now Bozeman Health Cardiology Clinic) in 2002. Dr. Erb was elected a trustee of the American College of Cardiology (ACC) for a five-year term in 2013. He previously served as governor of the Montana chapter of the ACC. Dr. Erb is board-certified in internal medicine and the sub-specialty of cardiovascular diseases.

Visiting hours/days: Tuesdays by appointment
Specialty: Internal Medicine Cardiovascular Disease
Board Certified: Cardiovascular Disease, Internal Medicine
Medical School: Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, MD
Residency: University of California, Moffitt Hospital, Internal Medicine

**Fellowship:** Vanderbilt University, Cardiology

#### **DERMATOLOGY**



**Aaron Bruce, DO** 

Montana Skin Cancer and Dermatology Center | Bozeman, Montana

Prior to arriving in Bozeman and joining Montana Skin Cancer and Dermatology Center, Dr. Aaron Bruce worked as a skin cancer specialist in a large dermatology practice in Northern Colorado.

**Visiting days/hours:** Fourth Wednesday of each month from 8 AM-12 PM and 1-3:30 PM

**Specialties:** In 2010, Dr. Bruce completed a one year Mohs Fellowship Training Program accredited by the American College of Mohs Surgery specifically focused on the diagnosis and treatment of skin cancer. Under the direction of Ronald Siegle, MD, Brian Biernat, MD, and Peter Seline, MD, Dr. Bruce performed over 1,000 cases of Mohs micrographic surgery and advanced reconstructions. Dr. Bruce is only one of five dermatological surgeons to have completed this type of fellowship in the entire state of Montana, and the only Mohs surgeon in southwestern Montana.

Medical School: Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine Internship: Nova Southeastern University Largo Medical Center Residency: Nova Southeastern University Largo Medical Center Undergraduate: Arizona State University, City, Magna Cum Laude,

National Merit Scholar



OCULOPLASTIC (EYE) SURGERY



Jeff Peckinpaugh, MD
Peckinpaugh Oculoplastic Surgery | Bozeman, Montana

Jeffrey L. Peckinpaugh, M.D. is a native Montanan that is fellowship trained as an oculoplastic and reconstructive surgeon. He is one of a few surgeons in Montana to complete a formal fellowship training program in the field of oculoplastic, which is also referred to as ophthalmic plastic and reconstructive surgery. Dr. Peckinpaugh is a board-certified ophthalmologist and a member of the American Board of Ophthalmology. Dr. Peckinpaugh graduated from Montana State University magna cum laude (4.0 GPA) and received his medical degree with highest honors from the University of Washington in Seattle, Washington. He completed his surgical training in ophthalmology at the University of Washington Medical Center. His residency was immediately followed by a fellowship in ophthalmic plastic and reconstructive surgery at Tufts Medical Center and New England Eye Center in Boston, Massachusetts.

**Visiting days/times:** Second Thursday of each month

Clinic: 8 AM-12 PM | Surgery: 1-5 PM

**Medical school:** University of Washington–Seattle **Undergraduate school:** Montana State University

**Special practice interests:** Medical and surgical care of the eyelids, eye socket, tear drainage system and periorbital area of the face.

**ONCOLOGY** 



Michael Kidd, MD

Billings Clinic | Billings, Montana

Visiting days/times: Second Monday of each month

**Specialties:** Hematology, Oncology–Medical

**Board Certified:** Hematology, 2015 Internal Medicine, 2012 Oncology - Medical, 2015

Medical School: St. Louis University School of Medicine, St. Louis,

Missouri

**Residency:** Mayo School of Graduate Medical Education,

Scottsdale, Arizona

Fellowship: Hematology/Oncology, Mayo School of Graduate

Medical Ed, Rochester, Minnesota

**Undergraduate:** University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah



### **ONCOLOGY**



**Brock Whittenberger, MD**Billings Clinic | Billings, Montana

Visiting days/hours: Second and fourth Friday, monthly Special practice interests:
Breast Cancer Adjuvant Therapy
Coagulation Disorders
Leukemia

Lymphomas Multiple Myeloma Prostate Cancer

**Specialties:** Hematology, Oncology–Medical

**Board Certified:** Internal Medicine, 1986 Oncology - Medical, 1987

**Medical School:** Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri **Internship:** Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri

**Residency:** Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri

**Fellowship:** Hematology/Oncology, Washington University, St.

Louis, Missouri

**Undergraduate:** Amherst College, Amherst, Massachusetts

## RADIATION ONCOLOGY



David Koeplin, MD
Bozeman Health | Bozeman, Montana

David Koeplin, MD, is Medical Director of Radiation Oncology at Bozeman Health Cancer Center. After his internship in internal medicine, Dr. Koeplin completed specialty training in radiation oncology at the University of California, San Francisco in 1996. He was in private practice in Idaho for 10 years prior to relocating to Montana. Dr. Koeplin offers specialized radiation techniques including Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT), Image Guided Radiation Therapy (IGRT) and radioactive seed implantation for the treatment of prostate cancer. He started Idaho's first prostate seed program in 1998.

**Visiting days/times:** Varies

**Board Certified:** Radiation Oncology

**Special practice interests:** Radiation Oncology

**Medical School:** University of California, Los Angeles, David Geffen

School of Medicine

**Internship:** University of California, Los Angeles, David Geffen

School of Medicine

**Residency:** University of California, San Francisco, Radiation

Oncology



ORTHOPEDICS: SPINAL



**Benjamin Smith, DO**Bridger Orthopedics | Bozeman, Montana

Dr. Smith has extensive training in operative and non-operative care relating to the spine. He recently completed a premiere adult spine fellowship at Duke University where he mastered minimally invasive surgical (MIS) techniques in both fusion (XLIF, TLIF, and ALIF) and nonfusion procedures (microdiscectomies that are performed through a 18mm tube with the assistance of a microscope) along with complex revision and deformity surgery. He utilizes cutting-edge technology, including patient specific implants, motion preservation surgery (total disc replacement), and has extensive state of the art training with intraoperative computer tomography (iCT) navigation. Dr. Smith believes in a global approach to each patient and that communication between the patient and the team of physicians, therapists, and nurses is the most important aspect in achieving a successful outcome.

**Visiting days/times:** Second Wednesday of every month

**Board Certified:** Orthopedics

**Medical School:** Kansas City University of Medicine and

Biosciences, Kansas City, Missouri

**Internship and Residency:** Riverside County Regional Medical

Center, Moreno Valley, California

Fellowship: Orthopedic Adult Spine Fellowship, Duke University

Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina

**Undergraduate:** Montana State University, Bozeman, Montana



PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHAB (PAIN MANAGEMENT OR PHYSIATRY)



**K. Allan Ward, MD**Billings Clinic | Billings, Montana

**Visiting days/times:** Every-other-Friday, monthly **Specialties:** Pain Medicine, Physical Medicine & Rehab

**Board Certified:** 

Electrodiagnostic Medicine, 2012 Physical Medicine & Rehab, 1990

Pain Medicine, 2001

Medical School: University of North Dakota School of Medicine,

Grand Forks, North Dakota

**Internship:** St. Luke's Hospitals, Fargo, North Dakota **Residency:** Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, California

**Undergraduate:** Moorhead State University, Moorhead, Minnesota

**SLEEP CLINIC** 



**Robert Merchant, MD, FCCP** *Billings Clinic* | *Billings, Montana* 

Dr. Merchant is a Pulmonary Medicine physician who specializes in sleep disorders.

**Visiting days/times:** First Thursday, monthly **Specialties:** Critical Care, Pulmonary Diseases

**Board Certified:** Critical Care, 1991 Internal Medicine, 1988 Pulmonary Diseases, 1990

Sleep Medicine

**Medical School:** New York Medical College, Valhalla, New York

**Internship:** University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa **Residency:** University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa

Fellowship: Pulmonary & Critical Care Medicine, University of Iowa,

Iowa City, Iowa

**Undergraduate:** Stanford University, Stanford, California



**UROLOGY** 



**Lisa Bland, MD** *Billings Clinic* | *Billings, Montana* 

Visiting days/times: First Thursday of the month

**Board Certified:** Urology, 2011

Areas of Interest: Pediatric Urology, Reproductive Medicine, Robotic-

Assisted Surgery, Stone Disease, Urologic Oncology

**Medical School:** Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, Oregon **Internship:** Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, Oregon **Residency:** Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, Oregon

**Undergraduate:** Willamette University, Salem, Oregon



**Gregory Pritham, MD** *Bozeman Health* | *Bozeman, Montana* 

Visiting days/time: Mondays

**Medical School:** Tufts University School of Medicine **Residency**: University of New Mexico Health Sciences



Jason Skenazy, MD
Bozeman Health | Bozeman, Montana

Visiting days/times: Mondays Board Certified: Urology

Medical School: University of Minnesota Medical School, MD

**Residency:** SUNY Downstate, Urology **Internship:** SUNY Downstate, Brooklyn NY



**J. Bruce Robertson, MD**Bozeman Health | Bozeman, Montana

J. Bruce Robertson, MD, is the senior urologist at Bozeman Health Urology Clinic and has served as chair of Bozeman Health Medical Group executive committee, cancer committee and department of surgery, as well as medical director of Bozeman Health Surgical Services and Cancer Registry, and Bozeman Health Deaconess Hospital vice chief of staff and medical staff secretary. Dr. Robertson formerly was president of the Big Sky Urology Society and served two terms as president of the Montana Medical Association. He has also served on the Bozeman Health Foundation Board of Directors.

Visting days/hours: Mondays Board certified: Urology

Medical School: University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center

at Dallas Southwestern Medical School (MD) **Residency:** Vanderbilt University Hospitals



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