Southcoast Health welcomes new providers to New Bedford, Dartmouth, Fairhaven, Wareham, Fall River

"Southcoast Health is pleased to announce the not-for-profit community health system welcomed seven new providers this month. They will join various specialties across the system including the Breast Care Program, Cardiology, the Hospitalist Program, Oncology, Orthopedic Surgery, Pediatrics and our Visiting Nurse Association (VNA).

Sarah Desilet, NP | Visiting Nurse Association (VNA)

Sarah Desilet earned her Master of Science degree in Nursing as a Family Nurse Practitioner from Regis College in Weston, Massachusetts. She is now joining the Southcoast Health Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) in Palliative Consulting.

Julie Ditata, NP | Breast Care 235 Hanover Street, Fall River, MA

Julie Ditata earned her Master of Science degree in Nursing as an Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner from Maryville University in St. Louis, Missouri, and is certified by the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP). She previously worked at Southcoast Health in primary care and has now joined Southcoast Health's Breast Center specializing in breast surgery.

Kristen Hall, PA-C | Hospitalist

Kristen Hall earned her Master of Science degree in Physician Assistant Studies from the University of New England, Westbrook College of Health Professions in Portland, Maine.

She is NCCPA certified. Kristen is now starting a position as a Hospitalist caring for patients at all three Southcoast Health hospital locations.

Blair Mailloux, NP | Pediatrics

49 State Road, Dartmouth, MA

Blair Mailloux earned her Master of Science degree in Nursing as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner from Regis College in Weston, Massachusetts. She began working for Southcoast Health in 2014 and more recently worked as a registered nurse at St. Luke's Hospital on the pediatric and Level II Nursery units. She is now joining Southcoast Health Pediatrics as a Nurse Practitioner.

Catherine Rapp, MD | Orthopedic Surgery

1565 North Main Street, Fall River, MA

Dr. Catherine Rapp earned her Doctor of Medicine degree from the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine before completing her residency in orthopedic surgery at the Naval Medical Center in Portsmouth, Virginia. Dr. Rapp proudly served in the United States Navy where she performed her duties as an orthopedic surgeon at the U.S. Naval Hospital Sigonella in Sicily, Italy, the NATO Role 3 Multinational Medical Unit (MMU) in Kandahar, Afghanistan and at the Naval Hospital in Jacksonville, Florida.

She completed a fellowship in adult shoulder and elbow reconstruction at the Corewell Health William Beaumont University Hospital in Royal Oak, Michigan. Dr. Rapp is now joining Southcoast Health's Orthopedic, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery practice in Fall River.

Kelsey Soares, NP | Oncology

506 Prospect Street, Fall River, MA 206 Mill Road, Fairhaven, MA

Kelsey Soares earned her Master of Science degree in Nursing

from the University of Massachusetts Amherst in Amherst, Massachusetts. She later received her Nursing Post-Master's Certificate to become a Family Nurse Practitioner from the University of Massachusetts Boston in Boston, Massachusetts. She is now joining Southcoast Health Oncology.

Natasha M. Teixeira, NP | Cardiology 300 Hanover Street, Fall River, MA

Natasha M. Teixeira earned her Master of Science degree in Nursing as an Acute Care Nurse Practitioner from Rhode Island College's Zvart Onanian School of Nursing in Providence, Rhode Island. She previously worked as a travel critical care registered nurse at Charlton Memorial Hospital and throughout the United States. She now joins Southcoast Health Cardiology as part of the Cardiac Surgery Team.

We are delighted to welcome, Sarah Desilet, Julie Ditata, Kristen Hall, Blair Mailloux, Dr. Catherine Rapp, Kelsey Soares and Natasha M. Teixeira to Southcoast Health.

Their addition to our team is a testament to our commitment of providing exceptional care and service across the South Coast region.

To learn more about our Southcoast Health providers please visit www.southcoast.org/doctors/ or call 1-844-744-5544.



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About Southcoast Health

Founded in 1996, Southcoast Health serves communities across southeastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island as the largest provider of primary and specialty care in the region. The notfor-profit, charitable system includes three acute care hospitals — Charlton Memorial in Fall River, St. Luke's in New Bedford (a Level II Trauma Center), and Tobey in Wareham, Massachusetts with a physician network of more than 675 providers.

The system has established more than 55 service locations across the South Coast of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, including six urgent care locations, a Visiting Nurse Association, the Southcoast Health Cancer Center, the region's only Level II Adult Trauma Center and numerous ancillary

facilities.

Southcoast Health has been recognized consecutively for six years in a row as a Newsweek's World's Best Hospital from 2019-2024 and named a Maternity Care Access Hospital for 2023-2024 by U.S. News & World Report. The organization was recognized as the best place to work for the sixth consecutive year by Southcoast Media Group's community choice awards.

With upward of 7,500 employees, Southcoast Health is the largest employer in southeastern Massachusetts, and one of the largest employers in the Commonwealth, according to the Boston Business Journal. More information is available online at www.southcoast.org."