

# ANGELA BANGS

## Targeted Rural UnderServed Track

WWAMI  
**TRUST**  
UW MEDICINE

Montana

Entering Class of 2016

*TRUST seeks to provide a continuous connection between rural, small city underserved communities, medical education, and health professionals in our region. Our goal is to create a full-circle pipeline by guiding qualified students through a special curriculum that connects continuity communities in WWAMI to the University of Washington School of Medicine and its network of affiliated residency programs in an effort to help meet the workforce needs of the region.*



Exploring Makoshika Park

Greetings, Dillon!

I am so thrilled and excited to be working in Dillon this summer and for the rest of my medical education as a TRUST student! I have always been passionate about serving a rural area and know that I will have an incredible experience in your beautiful community.

It took me a long time to discover what I wanted to do with my life, but it only took a couple of weeks for me to know where I wanted to settle down. After completing a summer internship during my junior year of college in Bozeman to be closer to my boyfriend (now husband), I knew that I had to get back to Montana. After graduating from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a degree in health policy and administration, I worked for several years in Raleigh and came back to Montana to ski and hike as often as I could. My husband and I then decided to move back to his hometown of Bozeman and I was lucky enough to be hired by the Montana Office of Rural Health/AHEC, where I had originally interned when I was in college.

For the past four years, I traveled throughout the state and assisted critical access hospitals (including Barrett Hospital and Healthcare) with their community health needs assessments. I fell in love with the rural communities in Montana and was lucky enough to shadow with several rural providers, including Dr. Anna Loge. Seeing the relationships between the communities and their medical providers made it clear that rural medicine was my calling. I fully intend to pursue primary care and know that I will practice in Montana because it is home to me.

In my free time, I love spending time with friends, family, and my dog, Atlas. My husband and I enjoy hiking, skiing, and doing everything we can to appreciate the beauty of southwest Montana. I am excited to explore Dillon and cannot wait to experience all that it has to offer.

I look forward to meeting you!

Angela

Braving the Kootenai Falls  
Swinging Bridge



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