

MARIE ELWOOD

Targeted Rural UnderServed Track

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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.



Hello, Hardin! My name is Marie Elwood, and I am your TRUST placement for the E'18 WWAMI program! I am excited to get to know the Hardin community.

I am originally from Wyoming. My dad is a Montana Native, born in Harlowton, and his family still lives in that area. I have lived in Billings with my family for 5 years, and we love Montana!

If I look familiar, that might be because I have worked in long term care facilities all over the state of Montana. I worked weekends for a nursing agency as a CNA when I first moved here from Oregon, and I feel like I worked in every small town in Eastern Montana! It was a great way to get to know the state and the healthcare challenges facing providers in remote and rural areas.

I have a strong background in research. I have worked on both NIH and FDA clinical trials as a Clinical Research Coordinator. I have studied addiction, HIV, breast cancer, Overactive Bladder, PCOS, Diabetes, COPD, BPH, endometriosis, and Hypoactive Sexual Desire Disorder, to name a few.

Geriatrics and hospice care are my passion, but I am looking forward to learning everything about rural medicine. I know I have so much to learn, and I am excited and humbled by this opportunity.

I am an avid reader and nature lover. I do have a Master's Degree in Entomology, so if you have any insect questions or intriguing bugs you would like to show me, that would be fantastic! I enjoy hiking but only if I am going slow enough that I can identify all the plants and watch all the insects. I am very interested in Ethnobotany and traditional healing.



Marie's oldest daughter's and youngest son

In my free time, I am the mother of 7 awesome children.

Marie



Marie, her husband, and five of their seven kids



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