



Taynara with Dr. Daniel Pesch, Obstetrics & Gynecology

Being with Dr. Pesch opened up my eyes to a new field I hadn't thought about. He made sure I always knew what was happening with each patient and he would always explain every medical condition to me. I learned so much in just the few times I was there. He is very professional and has so much care for each of his patients. It was an honor to shadow him and to learn more about his field.

Taynara Goncalves

In 2010 Dr. Daniel Pesch joined the team at Martha's Vineyard Hospital's OB/GYN Center. The doctors focus on higher-risk pregnancies, while also performing surgeries and providing pre- and post-care for off-Island surgeries. Excitement permeates Dr. Pesch's voice and smile as he discusses his new life and work on the Island. Returning here feels like "coming home, as I summered in Chilmark as a child." Since leaving Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, one of the largest hospitals in the Chicago area, Dr. Pesch has enjoyed the advantages of working in a smaller hospital. One such perk includes the ease of making improvements based upon current research. "You can't do that in a big hospital. You have to get a hundred and fifty nurses on the same page," he explains. At a smaller hospital, "no strangers come in [to see patients] when a doctor is away... We have a uniform care team." At his former job, Dr. Pesch was the chairman of obstetrics and gynecology and the director of the hospital's OB/GYN residency teaching program. Here he appreciates his new focus on "taking care of patients." He is eager to expand women's health care on the Vineyard to allow women in need of more complicated surgery to stay on-Island for their procedures. Already he and Dr. Stewart have improved collaboration with off-Island hospitals to support patients who receive treatment elsewhere.

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