



Barrett Hospital & HealthCare Introduces Services to Address Pain Management Without Surgery

Dillon, MT., October 12, 2020 – As part of its commitment to improving patients' quality of life through effective pain management, Barrett Hospital & HealthCare announces it is offering non-surgical services for pain management. Scott Rigdon is Board Certified in Anesthesia and Non-Surgical Pain Management and will be performing a variety of pain management therapies at the hospital six times a month.

At least 100 million Americans and more than 1.5 billion people worldwide live with chronic pain. Most Americans affected with chronic pain say it's tough for them to sleep well at night and concentrate during the day. They also say it affects their energy levels and their enjoyment of life.

"Our mission at Barrett Hospital & HealthCare is to save lives, but also to preserve and enhance the quality of our patients' day-to-day lives," said Barrett Hospital & HealthCare's CEO Ken Westman. "Chronic or debilitating pain from injury or illness can turn the simplest of activities into daunting challenges. The goal of our non-surgical pain management (NSPM) clinical services is to provide patients with comprehensive, compassionate pain treatment, and to give them the tools and information they need to manage their conditions with minimum disruption to their daily lives."

Scott Rigdon, MPH, DNAP, CRNA, NSPM-C is Board Certified in Anesthesia and Non-Surgical Pain Management and will be joined by Kenny-Joe (KJ) Wallen, DNP, CRNA. Scott Rigdon received a Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice from Midwestern University in Glendale, Arizona in 2020, and a Master of Science in Nursing from the same university in 2008. He earned a Master of Public Health from Portland State University in Portland, Oregon in 2002 and is proficient in providing non-surgical pain management (NSPM) clinical services through a variety of interventional therapies. These latest advancements in therapies oftentimes help patients avoid major surgery, long-term medication management and provide relief from debilitating pain.

Scott is passionate about helping patients experience relief from pain and improving their quality of life. He addresses patients' needs on an individual basis, assessing lifestyle and incorporating a combination of therapies with a holistic approach, treating the whole person.

"KJ and I are pleased and proud to be working with Barrett Hospital & HealthCare to provide comprehensive non-surgical pain management clinical services with the utmost care and compassion." said Scott Rigdon. "By aligning our proficiency and more than 12 years of diverse experience with the impressive facility and medical infrastructure of Barrett Hospital & HealthCare, we are now able to provide local non-surgical pain management care to Beaverhead County residents and the surrounding communities."

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Greg Moore, M.D., Chief Medical Officer, said the ongoing opioid crisis has created a need for the kind of high-quality treatment of chronic pain that patients will receive at Barrett Hospital & HealthCare's non-surgical pain management department.

"At a time when more and more Americans suffer from chronic pain, even more than the number of people suffering from diabetes, cancer, stroke, and heart disease combined, this is a perfect time for Barrett Hospital & HealthCare to invest in non-surgical pain management services," Moore said. "The providers at Barrett Hospital & HealthCare are excited about our partnership with Scott Rigdon and Kenny-Joe Wallen. It enables us to introduce other forms of pain therapy as first-line options in the effort to provide safe, effective pain management that is fresh and new, which should create positive patient outcomes to the members of the community."

To schedule an initial pain management consult with Scott Rigdon, please call 406-683-1188 or visit <https://www.barrethospital.org/pain-management> for more information.

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