

Faces Of New Bedford #149: Daisy Ormseth

Meet Daisy Ormseth, 40-year-old Nurse Practitioner.



At the age of 14, Daisy found out that she was pregnant and decided to move in with her now husband, to be able to raise their daughter together. Living with her boyfriend and their daughter, they struggled to get by and she even dropped out of high school. By the age 18, she had seen a posting for an EMT job and knew she needed to go back to school for her family and their future. After receiving her GED and passing EMT school, she began her career as an EMT and worked in Boston for 10 years.

In and out of hospitals, she had tons of contact with the emergency staff and seeing how much they were able to do for the patients they brought in, she decided to go back to school to become a registered nurse. Upon graduating Massasoit with her associate's degree in Nursing, she began working as an emergency nurse at Saint Anne's Hospital in Fall River. While also working part-time in St. Lukes emergency room, she continued to go back to school, getting her bachelors from UMass Boston and then her master's degree from Simmons College, to become a Nurse Practitioner and to be able to

provide more care for her patients.

Since becoming a Nurse Practitioner, she has been able to work in family practice at Prima Care of Fall River. She has also been able to volunteer in several capacities, such as traveling to Miami and the Keys to help with Hurricane Irma Relief. She also is planning to volunteer at the Boston Marathon this upcoming holiday weekend. With advocacy, not only for her patients but other nurses, so important to her, Daisy is also planning on returning to school for her doctorate in nursing, with the hope to work in policy, creating safer environments for nurses to work in, allowing for better care of their patients.

“Some people say you shouldn’t look back because that’s not where you’re going, but I think it’s important to see where you came from.”

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