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### **Podiatry Services Now Available in Morrow County**

**HEPPNER, OR - April 18, 2019** -- Board Certified Foot and Ankle Specialist, Dr. Kessa Mauras, of Mt. Hood Podiatry, is now serving Morrow County residents at Morrow County Health District's Pioneer Memorial Clinic in Heppner. Currently, Dr. Mauras will see patients from one to two Fridays per month, with the potential of increasing her time in Heppner based on the needs of the community and patients.

While podiatric medicine and surgery encompass many areas, Dr. Mauras is most passionate about diabetic foot ulcer prevention, wound healing, and limb salvage. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), approximately 73,000 amputations of lower limbs are performed on those with diabetes in the U.S. every year.

Dr. Mauras is committed to educating patients about the prevention of foot related medical conditions, providing them with as many resources as possible so that in her words, "they don't become a statistic." She also shared that too often, a skin injury or a small wound can quickly escalate to something more serious when there is a delay in receiving a medical evaluation and appropriate treatment.

Questions for Dr. Mauras regarding her services in Morrow County, or to inquire about an appointment, contact Mt. Hood Podiatry at 541-386-1006.

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