

Spotlight On HEALTH

A HEALTH EDUCATION MESSAGE FROM OKTIBBEHA COUNTY HOSPITAL

MEET THE ENT Specialist On Call

John Scott Stewart, DO, graduated from Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kirksville, MO, in 1997 and completed an internship in general surgery and his residency in otolaryngology and facial plastic surgery at Freeman Hospital and Health System in Joplin, MO in 2002.



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He then fulfilled a one-year fellowship in neurotology and skull base surgery through the University of Minnesota, where he gained extensive training in all facets of otology and neurotology, including chronic ear disease, stapedectomy, cochlear implantation, tympanoplasty, endolymphatic sac surgery, acoustic neuroma, tumors of the skull base, facial nerve disorder and vestibular surgery and rehabilitation.

Certified by the National Board of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Stewart is a member of the Academy of Osteopathic Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgeons, American Academy of Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgeons and the American Osteopathic Association.

Although he is trained to treat all ages and in all facets of otolaryngology, Dr. Stewart is most interested in ear and sinus disorders and especially enjoys pediatric otolaryngology.

Stewart Ear, Nose and Throat Center Professionals

In addition to Dr. Stewart's knowledge and expertise, the Center boasts a licensed audiologist and allergy services coordinator. These trained health professionals work with Dr. Stewart to ensure that each patient's plan of care is exactly what he or she needs.

OCH Welcomes Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist

Area residents now have access to a full time otolaryngologist in Starkville with the recent opening of Stewart Ear, Nose and Throat Center at 300 Hospital Road. John Scott Stewart, DO, who is a fellowship-trained ear, nose and throat specialist, provides an array of services for both pediatric and adult patients.

What is Otolaryngology?

Otolaryngology is the medical and surgical treatment of diseases and disorders affecting the ear, nose, throat, head, neck and their related structures.

Otolaryngologists treat both adults and children, and their training focuses on seven specific subspe-

cialties, including: otology and neurotology (ears, balance and tinnitus), allergies, head and neck care, rhinology (nose and sinus), laryngology (throat and related structures), facial plastic cosmetic and reconstructive surgery, and pediatric otolaryngology.

Dr. Stewart provides services related to the following:

Otology and Neurotology – This area of otolaryngology is Dr. Stewart's specialty. He treats a variety of conditions and disorders associated with the ears, including the medical and surgical treatment of ear infections, balance disorders, tinnitus (ear noise), hearing loss and chronic ear disease, as well as birth defects of the outer and inner ear. A fellowship-trained ear surgeon, he is one of a limited number of specialists in the country trained to perform cochlear implantation.

Rhinology – Includes those disorders affecting the nasal cavity and sinuses. There are a number of common conditions associated with the nose and sinuses in addition to runny and stuffy noses and sinusitis, such as polyps, deviated septums and those affecting the sense of smell, and Dr. Stewart is qualified to treat them all.

Laryngology – Involves the diagnosis and treatment of conditions associated with the throat and the structures within it such as laryngitis, pharyngitis and tonsillitis, as well as voice and swallowing disorders. Dr. Stewart also manages issues related to the mouth, tongue and soft palate and performs procedures within the throat to help treat snoring and sleep apnea.

Allergies – This area of otolaryngology is directly associated with otology, rhinology and laryngology, as those suffering with allergies routinely complain

of symptoms affecting their ears, nose and throat. It often involves diagnosis through the use of allergy skin testing and serum blood testing, and treatment includes avoidance of allergy triggers, prescription medications and, sometimes, immunotherapy (allergy shots).

Head and Neck Care -

Dr. Stewart provides evaluation and treatment of a number of diseases and conditions related to the head and neck region, such as biopsy and removal of growths or tumors, thyroid and parathyroid problems and issues associated with the nerves that control sight, smell, hearing and the face. He also treats all types of facial trauma and deformities, as well as jaw-related problems like tendomandibular joint (TMJ) syndrome.

Pediatric ENT Care -

Encompasses all of the above referenced topics as they relate to children. As an ear, nose and throat expert, Dr. Stewart is specially trained to treat common childhood ailments such as ear infections,

sore throats, runny and stuffy noses, allergies and asthma. He is also trained to perform reconstructive surgeries for cleft palate and other such birth defects, as well as for pediatric facial injuries. *Pediatric otolaryngology is not only Dr. Stewart's forte, but his first love. He will listen to you and work with you to determine the most appropriate care for your child, and he and his staff will do their best to ensure that your child has the most pleasant experience possible during the process.*

Ear Infections
Hearing Loss & Hearing Aides
Balance Disorders
Allergies & Asthma
Sinusitis
Laryngitis
Tonsillitis
Swallowing Disorders
Thyroid & Parathyroid Disorders
Sleep Apnea & Snoring
Facial Deformities & Trauma
Facial Reconstruction
Head & Neck Surgery
Pediatric ENT Care

For more information about Dr. Stewart or Stewart Ear, Nose and Throat Center, call 323-ENT4 (3684).



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