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**United Hospital District Adds Tim Soelter to Orthopedic Team**  
*Certified Physician Assistant Joins Growing Orthopedic Department*

**Blue Earth, MN – June 10, 2019** – United Hospital District (UHD) of Blue Earth announces the expansion of their Orthopedics department with the arrival of new provider Tim Soelter, a Certified Physician Assistant in Orthopedics. Tim will see patients in UHD’s Blue Earth and Fairmont Clinics.

A longtime resident of Fairmont, MN and familiar face to many, Soelter has nearly 20 years’ experience treating sports injuries plus the whole musculoskeletal system, including back, neck, knees, hips and shoulders. He is also an avid Fairmont Jr./Sr. High School sports fan and has served as a sports trainer at the school for many years.

“We are very excited to have Tim Soelter join UHD as part of our outstanding orthopedic team,” said UHD CEO Rick Ash. “Tim has a strong commitment to serving our communities and brings with him a wealth of experience. Having Tim join UHD strengthens our efforts to provide quality healthcare as close to home as possible.”

Mr. Soelter joins Chad Helmstetter as the second certified physician assistant to see patients and assist UHD’s orthopedic surgeons Dr. Steven Curtis and Dr. Scott Stevens. The busy orthopedic team routinely performs joint replacements for hips, shoulders and knees and treats activity-related injuries. UHD specializes in minimally invasive procedures with small incisions, which decrease post-surgical pain, minimize the risk of infection and frequently allow patients to go home the same day.

Excited about his new role at UHD, Tim said, “One of the big things that drew me to practice orthopedics in a small town is the ability to make connections within the community and outside the work environment. I really like to help out people I know, and I enjoy when they’re comfortable approaching me wherever they see me.”

United Hospital District is a 25-bed Critical Access Hospital in Blue Earth, MN. It is one of Faribault County’s largest employers and offers general surgery plus a full range of primary and specialty care services, including allergy & asthma, cardiology, ENT, ophthalmology, orthopedics, OB/GYN, rehab therapies (PT/OT/Speech Pathology) and urology. The hospital supports a patient-centered care philosophy and its network includes four clinic locations plus a Home Health and Hospice program, and the Adolescent Treatment Center, an inpatient recovery program providing substance use and mental health services.



Tim Soelter, PA-C  
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