

### 2020 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

We will be closed  
the following days:

Good Friday  
April 10, 2020

Memorial Day  
May 25, 2020

Independence Day  
July 3, 2020

Labor Day  
September 7, 2020

Thanksgiving  
November 26, 2020  
November 27, 2020

Christmas Day  
December 25, 2020

New Year's Day  
January 1, 2020

Serving the areas of:

- Advance
- Kernersville
- King
- Thomasville
- Winston-Salem

Contact our  
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## More Committed Than EVER To Our Communities

The pandemic that we have faced has brought to our attention what is more important. Digestive Health Specialists, PA has prided itself on not only serving the Winston-Salem community, but also the surrounding communities like Advance, Kernersville, King, and Thomasville. And in this difficult time, we have felt the support of

all the communities we serve. We are now, more committed than ever to these communities.

That is why we are happy to announce that all our locations will open to provide all of our services, including screening colonoscopies on:

**May 11, 2020.**

We have begun the process to bring back our furloughed employees and we will be back at full capacity in a few weeks. We thank you for your patience and support during these times.

**We look forward to continue caring for you, close to home.**

## What Do You Know About Hepatitis?

Hepatitis is the inflammation of the liver most commonly caused by a viral infection. According to the World Health Organization\*, more than 325 million people are living with this condition worldwide, more than 5 million are in the United States. And most do not know they have the virus.

This brings to the forefront the questions:

- How is hepatitis transmitted?
- What are the symptoms?

These questions are answered in the May blog:

### **The A, B, Cs of Hepatitis**

In recognition of Hepatitis

Awareness Month in May Digestive Health Specialists, PA wants to bring attention to this hidden epidemic and raise awareness of this disease. We also want to encourage any patients in the priority populations to get tested.

What are these priority populations? They include#:

- Baby boomers
- People who inject drugs
- American Indians/Alaska Natives
- Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders
- African Americans

- People in correctional facilities
- Veterans
- Homeless individuals
- Men who have sex with men
- Individuals living with HIV and viral hepatitis

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) has great resources to help educate patients on their risk factors and the need for testing. See for yourself at:

### **Viral Hepatitis Awareness**

## May 19 is Hepatitis Testing Day!

\* [https://www.who.int/health-topics/hepatitis#tab=tab\\_1](https://www.who.int/health-topics/hepatitis#tab=tab_1)

# <https://www.hhs.gov/hepatitis/blog/2017/12/14/priority-population-webinars-now-available-on-demand.html>

*As a reminder, we will be closed on May 25, 2020 in observance of Memorial Day.*

# Digestive

Health Specialists, P.A.

Caring for You, Close to Home.

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Access the [Referring Physician's Satisfaction Survey here.](#)

 Colon Cancer Prevention Center

We see clinic patients and perform procedures in all our locations – all GI services in one place, no traveling needed for our patients!

#### Procedures:

- Colonoscopy
- Endoscopy
- Flexible Sigmoidoscopy
- PEG
- EUS
- ERCP
- Esophageal Dilation
- Hemorrhoid Removal
- Push Enteroscopy
- Wireless Capsule Endoscopy

Our clinics treat the following conditions:

- Acid Reflux
  - Barrett's Esophagus
  - Celiac Disease
  - Colorectal Cancer
  - Constipation
  - Crohn's Disease
  - Diarrhea
  - GERD
  - Hemorrhoids
  - Hepatitis
  - Irritable Bowel Syndrome
  - Liver Cirrhosis
  - Ulcerative Colitis
- And More



## Provider May Anniversaries!

We celebrate our providers for their many years of service to Digestive Health Specialists, P.A.

**William Bray, MD, AGAF**  
**20 YEARS**

## GET TO KNOW

At Digestive Health Specialists, PA we have providers and physicians assistants available to help your patients with their digestive needs. To feel more at home with who we are, we want to introduce you to each of them.



**Dr. Netherland**  
**Advance & Thomasville**

Dr. Netherland's focused experience in all areas of digestive health provides our practice and his patients with an experience that can be counted on.

He earned his B.A. from the University of Missouri-Kansas City and his MD from the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine. He completed his internship, residency, and fellowship in Gastroenterology and Hepatology at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.



**Ashley Long, PA-C**  
**Winston-Salem**

Ashley earned her BS in Neuroscience and Kinesiology from The College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, VA. She completed her PA program at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center and is a certified Physician Assistant.

She is a member of the American Academy of Physician Assistants and VA and NC Academies of Physician Assistants. Ashley is interested in Hepatology, especially alcohol-related cirrhosis.

To learn more about Dr. Netherland, Ashley, or any of our providers, visit our website under "[Meet Our Providers.](#)"