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Dr. Nicole Gastala is the Assistant Professor of Clinical Family Medicine and practices in the Department of Family Medicine at University of Illinois Health.

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Dr. Gastala focuses on preventative healthcare and chronic disease management for pediatric, adolescent, adult, and OB/GYN patients. She has an interest in addiction medicine, including medication-assisted treatment for opioid-use disorder.

As a member of the National Health Service Corp, Dr. Gastala has practiced full spectrum outpatient family medicine in both rural and urban settings. After graduating from residency, she chose a rural underserved Federally Qualified Health Center to provide full-time clinical care.

Quality improvement, program design and research has always been an integral part of her medical career, including current research endeavors with the Robert Graham Center in Washington DC and within the Practice-Based Research Network (PBRN) Meta-Larc/IRENE.