## Kari McKinley, NP Additional Background

Kari McKinley grew up in the Adirondacks in upstate New York. From there she traveled north to Montreal, Canada where she earned a Bachelor's degree in Biology from McGill University, with a focus in laboratory research in developmental genetics. Upon completion of her program, Kari moved back to the US to Burlington, VT where she spent a few years working as a medical assistant at Timber Lane Pediatrics. It was here she learned that while she loved fundamental science, it was working with children and their families that gave her the most fulfillment. Kari went on to complete an accelerated RN to Master of Science in Nursing program at Yale University in New Haven, CT. She returned to Vermont in 2013 to work as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner in the Connecticut River Valley and then in 2015, she rejoined Timber Lane Pediatrics. When not at work she can be found doing any number of activities including telemark skiing, knitting, road biking, dancing, traveling, taking outdoor adventures with her fiancé and dog, and generally enjoying time with family and friends.