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Building a Healthy Community, One Person at a Time

Brittani Hinman seemed destined for a career in health care and didn't need to look far for inspiration.

Her grandmother, Ruth Reese, was McCready hospital's much-respected nursing director. Brittani's mom, Wendi Noll, is an X-ray technologist – and another role model.

When childhood pets needed bandaging, Brittani was first on the scene. She thought about studying to be a veterinarian, but winced at the thought of euthanizing animals. Instead, she set her sights on emergency nursing.

Brittani took nursing courses her senior year at Crisfield High, landed a job in McCready's emergency room and became an ambulance squad volunteer. Armed with several scholarships, she enrolled in Wor-Wic Community College's nursing program – securing one of 16 coveted slots.

Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays are spent on studies, including drafting "care plans" for patients she meets on clinical rounds. She works nights in McCready's ER and volunteers whatever "spare" time she has on first-aid runs.

Brittani is the embodiment of the Eastern Shore; she likes boating, fishing, the beach and country music. Following in the footsteps of her mother, she was Crisfield's Miss Crustacean (2006). Acquaintances and family sponsored her in the 2008 Miss Maryland-USA pageant, where she was a winner in the evening gown competition. "It's not about (winning) the title, though," she says. "It's a great way to meet people, have fun and learn self confidence."



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