Dr. Margaret Stewart Morr has only been at Scottsboro Urgent Care since May 1, but her resume shows an extensive amount of knowledge and success as a medical doctor.

The Jackson County native graduated from Pisgah High School and went to college at Mississippi State, and completed medical school at the University of Alabama in Birmingham.

Morr said the choice to pursue a medical career came at an early age while she was a freshman in high school.

“When I was in ninth grade, I had a friend that told me I could be a doctor someday,” said Morr. “Somebody laughed at that, and I thought I can be a doctor if I want to be a doctor.”

From there, Morr was determined to start her career.

“I have a little stubborn streak,” she said. “I had a very good Biology professor in high school that kind of steered me into that field.”

Morr said she is the first in her family to become a doctor, and comes from a long line of teachers.

Morr said the hardest parts in medical school were learning how to study a particular way and to schedule it accordingly.

“Once I finished medical school, I did three years of a residency in family medicine,” she said. “That was in Tuscaloosa and while I was there, I met my husband who worked at the University of Alabama as an athletic trainer for the men's basketball team.”

From the residency, Morr stayed in Tuscaloosa.

“I went into private practice in Tuscaloosa, and I did that for about nine years. Then I worked in a hospital for about four years, and I started here at Scottsboro Urgent Care on May 1.

“The transition has been different, but I have gotten more into the primary care role again and taking on those issues that were similar to when I was in private practice.”

Morr said the most rewarding part of the job is helping people.

“Seeing them come in with questions and concerns and being able to talk to them, and help them with ways to improve their health are the best parts of the day,” she said.

There is a difference between the private practices and the urgent care.

“Most of the doctors’ private offices are busy with appointments and physicals, and other things like that,” said Morr. “If somebody calls in that morning and they are sick, they may not be able to see a doctor for a day or two, so we are here to help those who need urgent care. They may not be emergent care where they have to go to an emergency room, but they are sick and do not really want to wait a few days to see their doctor. Also if they are injured at school or at work, they can come here and get X-rays.”

Morr said the Scottsboro Urgent Care Office has a full range of equipment to treat cuts, and to diagnose sprains and fractures.

When she is not working she is spending time with her husband who has retired and is now a stay at home dad and their two sons who are 13 and 8-years-old.