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Dr. Hlesciak grew up in South Jersey, about 20 minutes outside of Philadelphia (Go Eagles!!). From the age of four, she knew she wanted to be a veterinarian. She fell in love with surgery during her clinical year of vet school and rotating internship. Graduating from Bucknell University for Undergrad in 2017 and the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine in 2021, Dr. Hlesciak pursued her passion for veterinary medicine.

After vet school, she moved to South Florida and completed a rotating internship at Coral Springs Animal Hospital, followed by a surgical internship at Carolina Veterinary Specialists in Charlotte, North Carolina. Dr. Hlesciak is thrilled to be coming back down to South Florida for another surgical internship at ACCESS. She has a particular interest in joint replacement surgery, especially total hip replacements, and is also passionate about surgical oncology and reconstructive surgery.

In her free time, Dr. Hlesciak enjoys going to the beach, scuba diving, trying out new restaurants, hiking, crochet, and exploring new places with her dog, Iris. She also cherishes spending time at home with her two cats, Apollo and Artemis, all of whom were once patients she foster-failed.

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