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Salem Regional Medical Center Achieves National Accreditation for Breast Centers

If you are facing a diagnosis of breast disease, it can be a tremendous relief to know that there's a top-quality breast center located nearby.

Salem Regional Medical Center (SRMC) was recently recognized for providing high quality breast care from the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC), the premier accreditation program by the American College of Surgeons.

By achieving NAPBC accreditation, SRMC's breast program demonstrates its ongoing commitment to maintaining levels of excellence in:

- The delivery of comprehensive care, including a full range of state-of-the-art services
- A multidisciplinary team approach to coordinate the best treatment options
- Increasing access to ongoing clinical trials and new advancements in treatment

"Becoming an NAPBC accredited center means that SRMC meets the highest standard of care," said Anita Hackstedde, M.D., President/CEO. "We are pleased to provide this comprehensive level of breast cancer care locally so that our patients do not need to leave our community for specialized treatment."

"As an NAPBC-accredited center, our patients can also be confident that their breast care team includes health care professionals from a variety of disciplines, who are committed to working together to provide the best care available through their entire course of treatment. Patients receiving care at SRMC have access to information on clinical trials, the latest treatment options, genetic counseling and patient-centered services; including psychosocial support, rehabilitation services and survivorship care; not regularly available at other facilities."

SRMC's Nurse Navigation program also plays an integral role in guiding patients from the time of an abnormal mammogram, through their treatment process and up to their survivorship visit.

When it Comes to Breast Disease, Accreditation Matters

“The treatment of breast disease is complex, and optimal outcomes require input from a highly skilled team of specialists,” added Linda Camp, M.D., Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeon and SRMC’s Breast Program Director. “That is why this accreditation is so important. It demonstrates that our physicians and staff provide world-class care for our patients with breast disease and breast cancer, with access to clinical trials and new treatment advances.”

Accreditation by the NAPBC is granted only to those programs that are committed to providing the best possible care to patients with breast disease. The University Hospitals Seidman Cancer Center at Salem Regional Medical Center is also accredited by the Commission on Cancer, and SRMC has achieved accreditation by the American College of Radiology (ACR) as a Breast Imaging Center of Excellence.

Breast Imaging Center of Excellence

“SRMC has been recognized among the best with regards to the use of comprehensive breast imaging for diagnosing and treating breast conditions, from breast lumps to breast cancer to fibrocystic breast changes and beyond,” said Peter L. Apicella, M.D., SRMC Medical Imaging Chair.

“To aid in providing the most accurate diagnoses, SRMC uses the latest, most advanced 3D breast imaging technology and has achieved the prestigious Breast Imaging Center of Excellence designation. This award is given exclusively to breast imaging centers that achieve excellence by earning accreditation in the American College of Radiology’s required programs, such as 3D mammography; stereotactic breast biopsy; MRI biopsy; and breast ultrasound, including ultrasound guided breast biopsy.”