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JEFF ANDERSON CELEBRATES 75TH ANNIVERSARY WITH OPENING OF JEFF ANDERSON REGIONAL CANCER CENTER



J eff Anderson Regional Medical Center representatives cut the ribbon Sunday, August 24, to officially open the Jeff Anderson Regional Cancer Center, located at 1704 23rd Avenue. The event, which was attended by over 400 people, was highlighted by the hospital's 75th anniversary and featured a ribbon cutting ceremony, tours of the facility, and refreshments.

The 45,000-square- foot, two story facility houses both medical and radiation oncology. "The Cancer Center was designed from the inception for the convenience of the patients, to allow all aspects of patient services to be accessed in one location," said Wayne Herrington, Administrative Director. "We wanted our patients to be able to see their oncologist, receive chemotherapy and radiation treatment, undergo counseling or attend support groups, all in the same location."

The first floor of our center is the Radiation Therapy department. The radiation oncology team consists of highly trained physicians, under the direction of Radiation Oncologist, Dr. Scott Anderson. Other personnel include a licensed nurse practitioner, nursing staff, radiation therapists, along with an effective treatment planning staff.

The facility houses three linear accelerators for radiation treatments, a specially designed oncology CT Scanner, and treatment planning systems. "All equipment is networked to allow for the efficient treatment of our patients," Herrington added.

The JARCC also offers the services of a registered dietitian, social worker, pastoral counseling, oncology

registry, support staff, a resource room with internet access, and a lending library. Jeff Anderson Regional Cancer Center partners with the American Cancer Society to provide programs such as "*Reach to Recovery*," "*I Can Cope*," and "*Look Good...Feel Better*."

The second floor is occupied by Meridian Oncology Associates, PLLC, which includes Dr. John Clay, Dr. John Halbrook, Dr. Dwight Keady, Dr. David Nix and their staff. Meridian Oncology Associates features a spacious reception area, laboratory and x-ray areas and a chemotherapy suite with 24 stations. Each station has a view of the skylight and is equipped with comfortable chairs and individual televisions. The center features decorative paintings, a courtyard and a beautiful sculpture, just to name a few amenities

The sculpture in our lobby, entitled "*Standing Together*," symbolizes our pledge to stand with each patient of Jeff Anderson Regional Cancer Center. "It has always been a tradition for the last 75 years at Jeff Anderson Regional Medical Center to provide quality medical treatment and compassionate care for all our patients. The tradition continues with the opening

the Jeff of Anderson Regional Cancer Center. It is our additional commitment to stand with you, your family, care givers, and friends throughout your treatment," said J.W. Jones, First Vice President, Jeff Anderson Regional Medical Center.





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