

NATIONAL ACCREDITATION PROGRAM FOR BREAST CENTERS

Alan B. Pearson Regional Cancer Center Centra



WEBSITE: <http://cancer.centrahealth.com>

The Alan B. Pearson Regional Cancer Center is an integral part of Centra, a non-profit health care system based in Lynchburg, VA. Oncology services are provided from screening through the treatment journey and into survivorship. Centra's Comprehensive Breast Center is part of Cancer Care Services that is approved by the Commission on Cancer to be a comprehensive Cancer Program. Our facilities are led by dedicated radiologists with clinical expertise in breast diagnosis and supported by technologists with advanced certification in mammography and ultrasound. Currently, over 35,000 screening and diagnostic studies are performed annually. Screening facilities include Timberlake Mammography Center, Tate Springs Mammography Center, a satellite office at Women's Health Services of Central Virginia, and a mobile program bringing mammography to primary and specialty care clinics, organizations and businesses throughout Central Virginia.

Centra has been the home of an oncology breast navigator program for over twelve years, demonstrating our commitment to this patient population. The oncology breast navigators are liaisons between the physicians and patients, coordinating the plan of care from diagnosis into survivorship.

The beautifully designed inpatient oncology unit on the fourth floor of the new east tower at Lynchburg General Hospital has been equipped with the most advanced acute care technology available and represents an effort to deliver the highest level of interdisciplinary care possible for adult patients diagnosed with cancer.

The Image Recovery Center is located in the Alan B. Pearson Regional Cancer Center. The staff has been specially trained to fit breast prosthetics and bras for our breast cancer patients. The Image Recovery Center offers education, consultation and an array of body image services and products to address appearance and self-image concerns.

The Comprehensive Breast Center at Centra also offers many other services that emphasize our commitment to our patients including clinical trials, a dedicated oncology social worker, pastoral care, palliative and hospice services and dedicated cancer care rehabilitation services.

Our breast cancer patients deserve the best care and services available. We work tirelessly to fulfill this need.

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AVAILABLE SERVICES: (X indicates available services)

Diagnosis

- Fine Needle Aspiration (FNA)
- Stereotactic Core Needle Biopsy
- Ultrasound-Guided Needle Biopsy
- MRI-Guided Needle Biopsy

Interdisciplinary Breast Team

- Multidisciplinary Breast Conference

Treatment

- Surgery
- Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsy (SNB)
- Reconstructive Surgery
- Chemotherapy
- Radiation Therapy

Pathology

- Radiology/Pathology Correlation
- Gene Studies (ER/PR, Her2)
- Tissue Banking

Education, Support, and Rehabilitation

- Patient Education
- Physician Education
- Psychosocial Support
- Physical /Occupational Therapy
- Nutritional Counseling
- Survivorship Program
- Other: _____

Data Management

- Data Collection Mechanism

Imaging

- Screening Mammography
- Diagnostic Mammography
- Breast Ultrasound
- Breast MRI
- Other: _____

Patient Support

- Patient Navigator
- Specialized Nursing

Genetic Evaluation

- Genetic Risk Assessment
- Genetic Counseling
- Genetic Testing

Rehabilitation

- Lymphedema Prevention & Treatment

Research

- Cooperative Group Trials
- Institutional Original Research
- Industrial Sponsored Trials
- Other: _____

Community Outreach

- Community Education/Screening

Quality Improvement

- Center Specific Quality Improvement Studies
- National Quality Improvement Studies