



The Best in Care

New Breast Center set to open in early 2012

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With the opening of the new Breast Center on the St. Anthony Medical Campus, metro Denver women will have access to breakthrough screening technology and the expertise of nationally respected specialists.

They also have a new choice, aimed at reducing anxiety: the “one-visit” option.

“This is a care model that respects a woman in every dimension,” says Linda Ferris, Ph.D., Centura Health leader for Oncology Services. “If a woman’s initial mammography scan indicates a potential problem, she will not only know *right then*, she will have the option to take immediate action.”

If that’s her choice, additional digital images and/or ultrasounds will be obtained and read by expert radiologists during that same visit.

The care path will continue through biopsy and same-day consultation with a specialist team able to answer questions for the woman and anyone she might want with her for support. “We also will introduce her to our full-time breast health navigator,” Ferris continues, “so she will be able to move towards a treatment solution more rapidly and with greater confidence.”



Learn More
For more information, please visit stanthonyhosp.org/breastcenter.

ONLINE

Congratulations, Dr. Mencini!

Interventional radiologist Raymond A. Mencini, M.D., a guiding force in the creation of the new Breast Center, has been named a Pink Tie Guy by the Susan G. Komen Foundation. As “one of the Guys,” he will wear his pink tie on the eighth of each month to mark the fact that one in every eight women will battle breast cancer at some point in her life.



Raymond A. Mencini, M.D.

3-D MAMMOGRAPHY SYSTEM AMONG REGION’S FIRST

The new Breast Center at St. Anthony Hospital is one of the first in the Rocky Mountain region to offer women the benefits of a true breakthrough in screening mammography—tomosynthesis.

This advanced technology moves beyond the two-dimensional images of traditional digital mammography to create highly precise three-dimensional views of the breast and surrounding tissue. Approved by the Food and Drug Administration earlier this year, the Selenia Dimensions Breast Tomosynthesis system comes from Hologic, a medical technology firm specializing in women’s health.

MORE OPTIONS FOR TREATMENT

Other state-of-the-art services offered at the new Breast Center include:

- Ultrasound imaging and biopsy
- Breast MRI
- CT scanning
- Bone densitometer (DEXA) scanning
- Stereotactic biopsy

Radiologists specially trained in reading breast imaging will be available at all times the Breast Center is seeing patients. 