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Frederick Health Earns National Designation

Thoracic Oncology Program designated as United States Case Observation Site

Frederick, MD – November 1, 2024 Frederick Health is pleased to announce that Intuitive, a leading manufacturer of robotic-assisted surgery platforms, has designated Frederick Health’s Thoracic Oncology Program as a United States Case Observation Site. This is a rare accomplishment for a community healthcare system. This designation means that surgeons from all over the country can come to Frederick Health to learn the most advanced robotic surgery techniques from Frederick Health surgeons and providers.

"Being named a US Case Observation Site is a significant achievement," says Dr. Maurice Smith, Thoracic Surgeon and Medical Director for Chest Surgery with Frederick Health Medical Group.

According to Intuitive, a case observation site is a hospital that leads by example, demonstrating the highest quality of care, efficiency, and outcomes while using the latest technologies and hosting and teaching surgeons from across the United States.

Frederick Health is a leader in robotic innovation and currently uses several robotic-assisted surgery platforms. In the last decade, Frederick Health has performed over 5,000 robotic-assisted surgeries. The organization is also the first and only healthcare system in the state to have the da Vinci 5, the most technologically advanced robotic-assisted surgery platform on the market.

According to Dr. Smith, investments like this set Frederick Health apart.

"Few systems earn this prestigious designation. It speaks volumes about the quality, compassionate care available to residents in our community and the priorities of our leadership," added Smith. "It also demonstrates that Frederick Health is a surgical destination, not just for patients, but also for those providers looking to learn the latest and most innovative techniques."

About Frederick Health

Frederick Health provides comprehensive healthcare services to the residents of Frederick County. The system includes Frederick Health Hospital, Frederick Health Medical Group, Frederick Health Employer Solutions, Frederick Health Home Care, and Frederick Health Hospice. Frederick Health Medical Group is a multi-specialty practice with more than 175 providers, 21 specialties, 10 Primary Care practices, four urgent cares, and multiple locations across the county. The system has several ambulatory care locations, the freestanding James M Stockman Cancer Institute, and the Frederick Health Village. With 4,000 team members, Frederick Health provides a full spectrum of healthcare and wellness services to support its mission to positively impact the well-being of every individual in our community.

For more information on Frederick Health, visit www.frederickhealth.org.