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North Colorado
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North Colorado Medical Center Cancer Institute

Why Choose North Colorado Medical Center?

At North Colorado Medical Center Cancer Institute, we offer an array of integrated programs in cancer treatment, clinical trials, education programs and cancer prevention. These programs are critical elements to achieving our number one goal -- eradicating cancer.

But even more importantly, we understand that beating cancer takes more than just state-of-the-art technology, it takes the compassion and expertise of our many doctors, nurses and support staff working together to make a difference. Our patient's will not only receive the best medical care available, but we pledge to provide emotional and educational support as well.

At North Colorado Medical Center (NCMC), you are more than a patient; you are a partner in your treatment and care. Our team of experts will work together to present you with an individualized treatment plan to meet your needs. Most patients can receive chemotherapy and radiation therapy as outpatients (at a clinic rather than being hospitalized). NCMC is designed to deliver the diagnostic, treatment, and support services needed by patients with cancer, while enabling them to pursue their family, work, and leisure activities as normally as possible.

The North Colorado Medical Center Cancer Institute stands out in the community as a model service by offering nearly every diagnostic technology for breast disease in a single location.

Accreditations

North Colorado Medical Center's oncology program is designated as a "Community Hospital Comprehensive



Cancer patients at North Colorado Medical Center benefit from expert patient care conducted in a personal healing environment. Above, A community library dedicated to cancer information and the latest diagnostic devices, newest treatment technologies and cancer medications are available.

We exist to make a difference in people's lives through excellent patient care.

Cancer Program" by the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer.

This designation assures patients diagnosed with cancer that our program meets the ongoing, stringent requirements for highly specialized care.

Community

North Colorado Medical Center supports important community events such as the American Cancer Society Relay for Life and the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, community Health Fairs and cancer awareness activities.

Support Groups

NCMC sponsors a variety of support groups and programs to ensure patients and families have everything they need when facing a cancer diagnosis.

These services include:

- Coping with Cancer Support Group, a weekly group offering support, information and education to patients, family and friends.
- Breast Cancer Support Group, a monthly support and education group for patients with breast cancer, their families and friends.
- Man-to-Man®, a monthly group which provides education, support and fellowship for men with prostate cancer and their families and friends.
- Individual and Family Counseling, which is offered to patients, families and friends affected by a cancer diagnosis.
- Hearts of Hope, a support and education group for children 7-16 who have a loved one diagnosed with cancer. This group is a collaborative effort, between the NCMC and McKee Medical Center oncology social workers, and other local therapy.
- Wellspring Health & Resource Library
- ACS's Reach to Recovery® program

- Look Good Feel Better®

For more information, please call:

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Cancer Services Directory

Computerized Tomography	(970) 350-6049
Diagnostic Radiology	(970) 350-6860
Radiology Special Procedures	(970) 350-6860
Banner Breast Center	(970) 350-6082
Mary Scheid, Breast health specialist	(970) 350-2582
Magnetic Resonance Imaging	(970) 350-6464
Nuclear Medicine	(970) 350-6867
PET/CT	(970) 395-2500
Ultrasound	(970) 350-6864
PICC Program	(970) 378-4516

Treatment

Out patient Chemo/Infusion Rm.	(970) 378-3807
4NW Oncology inpatient unit	(970) 350-6568
Radiation oncology	(970) 350-6680
Surgery	(970) 350-6970
Peripheral Stem Cell Therapy	(970) 378-4467

Cancer Research

Joan LeTourneau, Sr. Research Assoc., Oncology	(970) 350-6380
Mandy Garza, Clinical Research Assoc., Oncology	(970) 392-2187
Theresa Henley, Clinical Research Nurse	(970) 350-6661

Support

Nutritional Services	(970) 350-6714
Chaplain	(970) 350-6476
Cancer Registry	(970) 350-6567
Wellspring Library	(970) 350-6074
Rehab Services	(970) 350-6900
Breast Prosthesis	(970) 395-2671
Home Medical Equipment	(970) 506-6420

Cancer Research Program

North Colorado Medical Center's comprehensive cancer program actively participates in cancer research in cooperation with the National Cancer Institute and the Western Regional Community Clinical Oncology Program (CCOP).

CCOP is a comprehensive clinical trial mechanism for disseminating the latest cancer prevention and treatment research findings to the community level. Created in 1983 by the National Cancer Institute (NCI), CCOP enables patients and physicians to participate in over 75 clinical trials conducted at major research centers across the country, the District of Columbia, and Canada.

Participation in clinical trials benefits patients and physicians in the community and scientists in research centers. The program helps in the transfer of the latest research findings to the community. It also increases the number of patients and physicians who can participate in clinical trials operated at major research centers, and allows scientists to conduct large-scale cancer prevention and control studies.

If you are interested in participating in a cancer research study, talk to your physician or oncologist. These doctors often have the most current information on available trials and can help you find a study to match your individual needs.

