

St. Joseph's Comprehensive Cancer Center Gets a New Home

St. Joseph's Comprehensive Cancer Center has a new home, and for the first time, the center's services are located in one area. The cancer center is now located in a 5,000-square-foot-suite in the McAuley Office Building (500 W. Thomas Rd.) on the St. Joseph's campus.

The new site houses the Cancer Registry, Genetic Risk Assessment, Pain Management, Outpatient Nutrition, Outpatient Infusion, Life Enrichment, The Women's Wellness Clinic, the Breast Evaluation Center, an education resource center and administrative offices.

"Having one space makes it so much nicer for patients," says Mary Schneider, director of the Comprehensive Cancer Center. "Instead of having services spread throughout the hospital, the majority of a patient's needs will be taken care of here."

The center's new home provides a comforting environment from where patients can receive care. Special amenities make it a relaxing area. These "extras" include a colorful fish tank that greets visitors in the main waiting room, the availability of relaxation tapes in the resource center and wireless Internet access and portable trays that patients can use during infusion therapy.

"Our new environment reflects the cancer center's mission," says Mary. "We want to provide the best care and greatest amount of comfort to our patients."