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A Message from Ronald G. Myatich, MD, FACS
CANCER LIAISON PHYSICIAN

Cancer treatment programs at Lexington Medical Center have had another successful year, reaching multiple significant milestones throughout our treatment network.

BREAST CANCER PROGRAM
Our breast cancer program underwent a triennial recertification survey by the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers and the American College of Surgeons and received Certification with Commendation. This accomplishment was the result of the hard work of countless cancer treatment professionals working together in a multidisciplinary effort to optimize breast cancer care at Lexington Medical Center.

Additionally, our breast cancer program launched the “Campaign for Clarity” with a goal of providing 3-D mammography throughout our entire health care network. This program augments current efforts to provide additional breast cancer screening opportunities to underserved populations of the Midlands with a goal of reducing advanced stage III and IV breast cancers.

INPATIENT CANCER TREATMENT
Inpatient cancer treatment at Lexington Medical Center experienced a tremendous improvement after substantial renovations of existing facilities, as well as the opening of our new medical office building and chemotherapy infusion center. The family-friendly environment throughout our cancer treatment areas is designed to reduce the stress and anxiety associated with cancer care. Along these lines, additional pet therapy services have been added in an effort to reduce patient stress. Inpatient care has also been enhanced with updates to our computerized laboratory and radiology services, as well as upgrades to our Cancer Registry Education Plan. Lexington Medical Center has also recently added advanced radioembolization therapy in our nuclear medicine facility to enhance our treatment of advanced cancers involving the liver.

I hope you share our pride and enthusiasm with these highlighted improvements, along with countless other advances in cancer treatment at Lexington Medical Center. We welcome your input and look forward to continuing to serve the health care needs of our community.
Patient Support Services

NURSE NAVIGATORS
Nurse navigators are oncology-trained nurses proficient in teaching patients about chemotherapy and what to expect while undergoing treatment. These nurses are selected for their interpersonal and problem-solving skills, and their ability to support patients and families. They perform a myriad of roles — teacher, champion, listener, counselor — to guide newly diagnosed cancer patients throughout their illness.

Lexington Medical Cancer Center currently employs seven board-certified nurse navigators: two navigators specifically assist breast cancer patients; three general cancer navigators; one lung cancer navigator; and one genitourinary navigator. Their wealth of knowledge enables patients and their families to anticipate and cope with any treatment side effects. There is no fee for navigator services, which are available through self-referral, or by physician, nursing or Pastoral Care referral.

- Kimberly Branham, RN, OCN: Breast Health Navigator
- Libby Daniels, RN, OCN: General Navigator
- Alice Green, BSN, OCN: General Navigator
- Kelly Jeffcoat, BSN, OCN, CBCN: Breast Health Navigator
- Lucretia Vaughn, BSN: Genitourinary Navigator
- Krorey Wise, BSN, OCN: Lung Cancer Navigator
- Deirdre Young, BSN, OCN: General Navigator

BECKY’S PLACE
Becky’s Place, the only hospital-based appearance and resource center in the Midlands, has an updated look thanks to the support of the Lexington Medical Center Volunteer Auxiliary.

Since opening in 2000, Becky’s Place has helped individuals throughout the Southeast minimize and manage changes in their appearance as a result of surgery and cancer treatment. Named in memory of Rebecca “Becky” Johnson, a hospital volunteer and Lexington Medical Center Foundation board member, the boutique is located on the Ground Floor of Lexington Medical Park 1 on the hospital’s main campus.

Becky’s Place offers a variety of head coverings, wigs and prosthetic garments, as well as a large selection of Vera Bradley handbags and accessories. And the boutique donates 10 percent of the net proceeds from Vera Bradley breast cancer awareness items to the Vera Bradley Foundation for Breast Cancer. In addition to offering a variety of products to help cancer patients through the changes in their appearance, the staff has special training and certification through the American Board for Certification in Orthotics, Prosthetics and Pedorthics. Accredited by The Joint Commission’s Home Care Accreditation program, Becky’s Place plays an important role in the recovery of individuals who have been diagnosed with and treated for cancer.

Helping cancer patients and survivors feel confident in their appearance
- Professional, certified breast prosthesis fitter
- Bras, camisoles, swimsuits and other specially made clothing
- Hats, scarves, wigs and head wraps
- Scarf-tying and head-wrap covering classes
- Non-metallic deodorants and skin care products

SUPPORT GROUPS AND PATIENT PROGRAMS
Support groups are an integral part of a patient’s care plan at Lexington Medical Center. We strongly believe in the value of a therapeutic setting — a place where patients and caregivers can voice their fears and concerns and draw strength from the experiences of others. We provide a place of confidentiality for patients and privacy is paramount. Our support groups strive to provide an appropriate venue for people with all types of cancer.

Support Groups
CANCERCare
Free professional support for anyone affected by cancer. Visit CancerCare.org or call 1-800-813-HOPE (4673).

Living with Change
Weekly support group for families and caregivers to people with life-threatening illnesses.

Lymphedema Support Group
Free professional support for anyone who experience lymphedema as a side effect of cancer treatment.

Sharing Hope
A support group for women living with metastatic breast cancer. A place for women to share fears and worries about their diagnosis and treatment.

Woman to Woman
A breast cancer support group that meets monthly.

QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS
Lexington Medical Center continues to grow and prosper as we add new services and technology to meet our goal of consistently delivering patient-centered care.

Implemented new educational pieces available for patients, including education on needle localization and fertility treatments for men and women.
Clinical Research

CLINICAL TRIALS IN 2019
Lexington Medical Center strives to provide collaborative care for its patients. Whether studies are housed in Radiation Oncology, Medical Oncology or Surgery, patients benefit from a diverse team of doctors, nurses, Cancer Registry staff and research personnel. This collaboration also extends into the community through the hospital’s affiliation with Duke Cancer Center and our partnerships with local researchers.

Radiation Oncology
MA39 Tailor RT: A Randomized Trial of Regional Radiotherapy in Biomarker Low Risk Node Positive Breast Cancer
Principal Investigator: Quillin Davis, MD

Medical Oncology
A171601: A Phase II Trial Assessing the Tolerability of Palbociclib In Combination with Letrozole or Fulvestrant in Patients Aged 70 And Older with Estrogen Receptor-Positive, HER2-Negative Metastatic Breast Cancer
Principal Investigator: Steven A. Madden, MD

S1418/BR006: A Randomized, Phase III Trial to Evaluate the Efficacy and Safety of MK-3475 (Pembrolizumab) as Adjuvant Therapy for Triple Receptor-Negative Breast Cancer with 1cm Residual Invasive Cancer or Positive Lymph Nodes (ypN+) After Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy
Principal Investigator: Steven A. Madden, MD

PATINA: A Randomized, Open Label, Phase III Trial to Evaluate the Efficacy and Safety of Palbociclib + Anti-HER2 Therapy + Endocrine Therapy vs. Anti-HER2 Therapy + Endocrine Therapy after Induction Treatment for Hormone Receptor Positive (HR+)/HER2-Positive Metastatic Breast Cancer
Principal Investigator: Steven A. Madden, MD

ABC Trial: A Randomized Phase III Double Blinded Placebo Controlled Trial of Aspirin as Adjuvant Therapy for Node Positive HER2 Negative Breast Cancer
Principal Investigator: Steven A. Madden, MD

A211601: Evaluation of Mammographic Breast Density Effect of Aspirin: A Companion Study to Alliance Study A011502
Principal Investigator: Steven A. Madden, MD

EA1131: A Randomized Phase III Post-Operative Trial of Platinum Based Chemotherapy vs. Observation in Patients with Residual Triple-Negative Basal-Like Breast Cancer Following Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy
Principal Investigator: Steven A. Madden, MD

Keylargo: A Single Arm, Phase II Study of Pembrolizumab, Oxaliplatin and Capecitabine in the First Line Treatment of Patients with Gastric-esophageal Cancer (KeyLARGO)
Principal Investigator: James Leroy Wells III, MD

Meet Our Physicians

RADIOLOGY

ONCOLOGY
Lexington Medical Center, in conjunction with Consultants in Gastroenterology, launched a coordinated awareness and prevention campaign for Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month in March. Prep Party On March 14, 2019, Lexington Medical Center and Consultants in Gastroenterology hosted a Rat Pack-themed “Prep Party” at Hotel Trundle, a hotel in downtown Columbia, South Carolina. This event included educational colorectal cancer prevention fact sheets provided by the Colon Cancer Prevention Network. They were available to all who attended and guests of the hotel. Gastroenterologists were available to speak with individuals attending the event. The lobby was decorated in blue with various educational stations. A news anchor for the local NBC affiliate televised the event every hour. Doing so reached a broad audience with facts on colorectal cancer prevention. Ten men had hotel rooms at Hotel Trundle and received colonoscopy prep liquid. They then had colonoscopies at Consultants in Gastroenterology. Each participant received follow-up care and no positive findings.

March Madness Colorectal Cancer Awareness Campaign To supplement the prevention event, Lexington Medical Center created an awareness campaign focused on early detection throughout the month. The hospital lit its medical park in blue for Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. The governor and Columbia’s mayor made proclamations during the month of March, local businesses hung window clings prominently in their windows and the water in Five Points fountain, a local landmark, was dyed blue. This entire campaign won an American College of Gastroenterology SCOPY award, a service award aimed at spreading the message of the importance of colorectal cancer screening and prevention, in 2019.

Outcomes/Follow-Up Process While a prevention event, Lexington Medical Center incorporated a screening component, which enabled 10 men over the age of 45 to receive colonoscopies. No positive findings were discovered. Fifty people attended the event.
Adjuvant chemotherapy is considered or administered with four months (120 days) of diagnosis for patients under the age of 80 with AJCC Stage III (lymph node positive) colon cancer.

Breast cancer:
- Radiation therapy is administered within one year (365 days) of diagnosis for women under the age of 70 receiving breast conserving surgery for breast cancer.
- Radiation therapy is recommended or administered following any mastectomy within one year (365 days) of diagnosis of breast cancer for women with ≥ 4 positive regional lymph nodes.

Colon cancer:
- Adjuvant chemotherapy is considered or administered with four months (120 days) of diagnosis for patients under the age of 80 with AJCC Stage III (lymph node positive) colon cancer.

Distance Traveled – Breast Cancer – Lexington Medical Center vs All Commission on Cancer 2016

Days to First Treatment Quartiles – Lexington Medical Center vs All Commission on Cancer 2016