



VICTORY OVER CANCER CARE

Your triumph is music to our ears. At Wellstar, we know the key to fighting cancer lies in a collaborative team approach. That's why our experts work together seamlessly to bring the highest level of cancer care to Georgia.

Using the latest research, state-of-the-art technology and innovative therapies, our multidisciplinary team of oncologists, hematologists, surgeons and radiologists tailor treatments centered around your needs. And isn't it great you can get care close to home?

From the moment of your diagnosis to that very last round of therapy, we'll be there every step of the way. Together, we will ring in an era of healing and hope. [wellstar.org/cancercare](https://www.wellstar.org/cancercare)



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WELLSTAR OFFERS SUPPORT AT EVERY STEP TO FIGHT BREAST CANCER

Wellstar treats more than 1,000 patients with breast cancer in metro Atlanta and West Georgia every year.

At Wellstar, breast cancer patients never fight alone. Every cancer patient at Wellstar is paired with a nurse navigator, who helps patients understand the diagnosis and connect them to the right resources along their care journey.

Our interdisciplinary team of experts work together to customize a treatment plan for each patient, supporting patients at every step from screening to survivorship.

At Wellstar North Fulton Medical Center, patients can meet with their multidisciplinary team of specialists all in one day at our Breast Cancer STAT Clinic - speeding up treatment and giving them the opportunity to have questions answered all in one visit.

“Breast cancer treatment is very individualized,” said Wellstar Breast Surgeon Dr. Laura Pearson. “Not one person gets the same treatment. Every patient in our cancer program has a care plan tailored to fit exactly what, where and how their cancer needs to be treated.”

Catching Cancer Early

With breast cancer, early detection can make all the difference.

“Breast cancer is much more treatable in the early stages, so it’s crucial that women talk with their provider about when to start their annual mammograms,” Dr. Pearson said.

Wellstar offers 3D mammography, which has become the standard of care for breast cancer screening and provides a clearer image of dense breast tissue than traditional mammograms. Walk-in mammograms are available at several locations, making it simpler to fit screening into your schedule.

Call **(678) 581-5900** to book a mammogram with Wellstar.

High-tech Treatments

Wellstar is expanding access to groundbreaking breast cancer treatments that give patients minimally invasive options and help them recover quicker.

Intraoperative radiation therapy (IORT) delivers radiation in a single dose while a surgeon removes the patient’s tumor. Radiation is usually much more time-consuming, with most regimens lasting about four to six weeks. Since the radiation from IORT is concentrated, it focuses just on the area affected by cancer and preserves healthy tissues. This is particularly useful for cancers that may be difficult to remove during surgery or otherwise inoperable.

In addition to IORT, Wellstar was first to bring CyberKnife radiation technology to Georgia. The precise treatment uses computer software, a robotic arm and a miniature linear accelerator to deliver large doses of radiation in a pencil-thin beam to destroy tumors while sparing surrounding tissue, organs and nerves. With many patients, CyberKnife can reduce traditional radiotherapy to just five two-hour sessions.

Patients will soon be able to receive this treatment in the Roswell/Alpharetta area as well when the new Wellstar North Fulton Cancer Center opens in early 2023. The center will house cancer care specialists in multiple specialties in one convenient location.

Wellstar also has a robust research and clinical trials program to serve breast cancer patients. We participate in clinical trials that our providers believe will be beneficial to patients and provide patients with access to groundbreaking new treatments. These treatments are otherwise unavailable and can help improve our patient’s outcomes and survivorship.

To learn more about breast cancer care at Wellstar, visit [wellstar.org/breastcancer](https://www.wellstar.org/breastcancer).

