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Columbus Community Hospital to acquire Columbus Cancer Care

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(COLUMBUS, Neb.) – Columbus Community Hospital will be adding Columbus Cancer Care to its family of health care facilities. It will take ownership of the practice starting Dec. 1.

Mike Hansen, president/CEO at CCH, said the acquisition is a crucial first step to the hospital's ultimate vision of a cancer center concept.

"We really appreciate what Dr. Joan Keit has established over the years with Midwest Radiation Oncology, and the tremendous services she's provided during the time she has owned and operated it," Hansen said.

Keith Luedders, vice president of ancillary services at CCH, said the hospital's acquisition of Columbus Cancer Care also continues its legacy of great cancer care in the community.

"This will further integrate cancer care throughout our service area," Luedders said.

Columbus Cancer Care, located at 3764 39th Ave., provides radiation therapy treatments for cancer patients, including TomoTherapy and daily treatments. It has been serving people in Columbus and surrounding areas since 2011.

Dr. Keit has been practicing radiation oncology since 1994. She received her undergraduate degree at Villanova University in Villanova, Pennsylvania, and her medical degree at the State University of New York at Stony Brook School of Medicine, graduating with honors. She completed an internal medicine internship at Staten Island University Hospital in New York, and a residency at Hahnemann University in Philadelphia. She was awarded a clinical oncology fellowship from the American Cancer Society.

Keit also was a Fellow of the American College of Radiation Oncology. She has been honored for her work in bringing technologies such as TomoTherapy and HDR prostrate brachytherapy to Nebraska.



The staff of Columbus Cancer Care will continue to provide the highest level of patient care to the community after the acquisition. Columbus Cancer Care is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

“Columbus Cancer Care is a wonderful practice, and has been an integral part of the community for a number of years,” Luedders said. “We are excited for the opportunity to integrate them into Columbus Community Hospital and continue to offer quality cancer services throughout the community.”

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