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### **Mary Black Health System Begins Construction of Women's Breast Health Center**

**SPARTANBURG, SC** – Mary Black Health System is pleased to announce that construction of its Women's Breast Health Center is underway. A 1.9 million dollar investment, the center will be located adjacent to the Outpatient Imaging Center on the first floor of Medical Office Building Three on the main hospital campus.

The 5, 100 square feet center will feature Digital Mammography, Breast Ultrasound, Stereotactic Breast Biopsy capabilities and Bone Densitometry, all in one convenient location. "Having these important women's services in one location will enable Mary Black to offer preventive health services, educational guidance as well as community support systems in a timely manner," said Kathryn Hyder, RN, Mary Black Breast Navigator.

Equipped with two digital mammography units and capacity for a third, the Women's Breast Health Center will be able to offer patients reduced wait times for testing and in many instances offer same day appointments. "Identifying and treating breast cancer as soon as possible is the key to treating this disease," said Larry Totten, MD, Radiologist. "If detected early, the five year survival rate is 97%," he added. Totten who serves as Mary Black Health System's lead radiologist works closely with Hyder and a team of Certified Mammography Technologists, Breast Sonographers and other breast health professionals to care for the needs of breast cancer patients.

Mary Black plans to open the Women's Breast Health Center the first quarter of 2010. Meanwhile, patients can continue to receive their digital mammograms in the Women's Pavilion on the main hospital campus. Valet parking is available.

One out of eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer. Early detection makes all the difference in the world. Call 1-866-411-6274 for the Mary Black Physician nearest you. Ask for a referral order today for your digital mammogram.

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