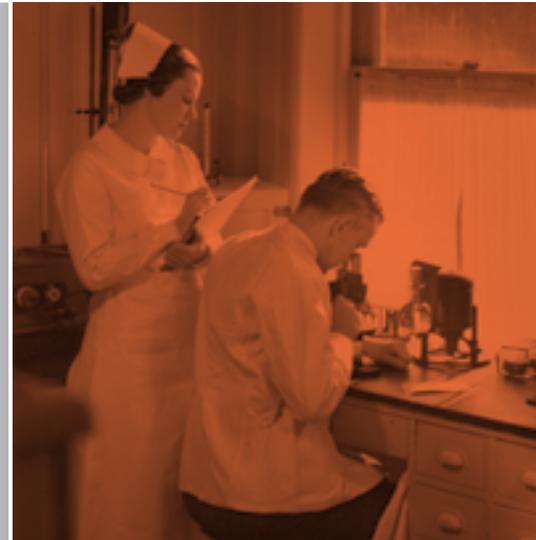




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As we close the chapter on 2024, the past year has been one of growth, challenge, resilience, and multifaceted strategic improvement as we continue to navigate the evolving healthcare landscape and deliver on our promise to our community.

Commitment to patient care

At the heart of everything we do is our dedication to providing high quality exceptional care for each patient every day. From performing the latest surgical procedures in our new Lucille and Jay Chazanoff Surgical Pavilion to utilizing advanced diagnostic technologies, we have implemented key improvements that have enabled us to offer the highest quality care in a patient-centered environment. Our efforts to advance quality patient care were realized on several fronts in 2024 including significant — and widely recognized — improvements in patient safety and health outcomes.

Investing in our people

We are deeply grateful for the hard work and commitment of each member of our staff doctors, nurses, support staff, and administrators alike who go above and beyond every day. We welcomed many new faces in 2024, including nearly 60 registered nurses, 13 physicians, and many support personnel. We also welcomed several new executive leaders: Jonathan Zipkin, MD, MS, Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer; Jeffrey Leito, MBA, Executive Vice President, Richmond Health Network and Chief Strategy Officer; Christine Mahoney, DNP, RN, Senior Vice President, Chief Nursing Officer; and Gregory Fernandez, MD, Senior Vice President, Population Health, Accountable Care, Community Health and Wellness. We also are very grateful to one of the long-time leaders of our medical staff, Philip Otterbeck, MD, who agreed this year to serve as our Chief Medical Officer. All of these new members of our RUMC Family will enhance the care we provide and further support our hospital's ongoing growth.

Community engagement and outreach

Our relationship with the Staten Island community and the partnerships we have with many community organizations is the cornerstone of our success. We have worked tirelessly to build and strengthen partnerships with local organizations, schools, and businesses. In 2024, we expanded our community outreach efforts, reaching out more than ever before to people in need, providing free health screenings,

educational seminars, wellness programs, and access to high quality primary care. Health disparities persist in many of our communities. We have committed ourselves to ameliorating them. We live and breathe health equity and the provision of access to quality healthcare for everyone without regard for race, socioeconomic status, or geographic location.

Looking ahead to 2025

As we step into 2025, we are filled with optimism and determination. We are committed to expanding our services and investing in new technologies and treatments that improve the lives of the people we serve. In the coming year, we plan to expand services provided through our Richmond Health Network, develop new and existing service lines to increase community access to healthcare, and continue to enhance patient experience.

None of our progress to date would be possible without the trust and support of our patients and community. We remain committed to delivering the exceptional care they deserve. We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to our Board of Trustees, medical staff, RUMC Foundation and Auxiliary, our generous donors, and our entire RUMC Family. Together we are transforming healthcare across our community and beyond.

Sincerely,

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2024 Key Stats

Lab Tests (including COVID-19):

1.725 million

Radiology/Imaging Procedures:

95,295

Emergency Department Visits:

55,829

Admissions:

15,415

Physical/Occupational Therapy
Treatments (adult & pediatric):

11,942

Surgical Procedures:

11,286

Pathology Cases (surgical
biopsies; non-gynecologic,
autopsies, etc.):

9,529

Blood, Blood Products
and Transfusions:

6,000

Speech/Cognitive and
Swallowing Therapy Treatments
(adult & pediatric):

4,181

Employees:

3,129

Births:

2,706

Observation Cases:

1,596

Physicians on Staff:

515

Licensed Beds:

448



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CARDIOLOGY

Heart attack patients gain precious time for life-saving treatment



Francesco Rotatori, MD, FACC
Chief, Cardiovascular Department

When it comes to treating a heart attack, every second counts.

To that end, cardiologists at Richmond University Medical Center are piloting a program that reduces the time between an ambulance's arrival on scene and life-saving intervention at the hospital to open a blocked or narrowed artery.

As soon as an emergency medical technician (EMT) documents a heart attack with an electrocardiogram (ECG) in the field, a patient can be rushed directly to the Cardiac Catheterization Lab, bypassing the Emergency Department to save time.

"The catheterization lab is notified and prepared for their arrival," said Francesco Rotatori, MD, FACC, Chief of RUMC's Cardiovascular Department and President of the RUMC Medical Staff. "This enables us to open the artery within 90 minutes after initial medical contact with the patient. It raises the bar even further as we constantly improve patient care and patient outcome."

Percutaneous coronary interventions on the rise

Percutaneous coronary intervention, or PCI, is a minimally invasive procedure that opens narrowed or blocked sections of the artery, restoring blood flow to the heart.

Performed in the catheterization lab, PCI is also known as angioplasty with stent or stenting.

Close to 600 PCI procedures were performed in the RUMC catheterization lab in 2024, up from about 500 the previous year.

Expanding our cardiac monitoring program

Dr. Rotatori and his team have expanded the use of an implantable loop recorder (ILR), an insertable cardiac monitor that works like an electrocardiogram to continuously record the heart's electrical activity. A cardiologist places the ILR under the skin of the chest, usually on top of the heart.

"This small device can document hidden irregularities of the cardiac rhythm that are difficult to detect with a simple ECG or wearable monitor," Dr. Rotatori said. Wearable monitors are limited to 30 days, but the ILR can record the heartbeat continuously for up to three years.

Loop technology helps in the diagnosis of syncope, or fainting, that can occur as a result of heart-related issues including abnormal rhythm and heart disease. Syncope can lead to unexplained strokes, Dr. Rotatori said.

Dr. Rotatori spoke to the medical technology students at Tottenville High School in September, discussing angioplasty procedures with over 40 students enrolled in the program. The students are all considering careers in healthcare.



News & Notes

- ▶ For the third consecutive year, RUMC was named a “High Performing Hospital” by U.S. News & World Report for its care of congestive heart failure patients. Of 6,000 hospitals evaluated, RUMC was one of only 1,090 hospitals nationwide to earn the designation. Hospitals were evaluated in multiple categories, including patient outcomes, volume, advanced heart programs, and more.
- ▶ RUMC also received the American Heart Association’s Get With The Guidelines-Coronary Artery Disease STEMI Receiving Center Gold award in recognition of its commitment to offering rapid, research-based care to people experiencing a specific type of heart attack known as an ST elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI), known to be more severe and dangerous than other types of heart attack.
- ▶ The Cardiovascular Department performed nearly 200 free blood pressure checks and EKGs at community events and health fairs in 2024.



ONCOLOGY

New Hematology/Oncology chiefs take the helm of RUMC's cancer care program



Victoria Forte, MD
Chief of the Division of
Hematology/Oncology, Cancer
Service Line Director, Fellowship
Program Director

Calvin Han, MD
Associate Chief of
Hematology/Oncology

In late 2024, Richmond University Medical Center announced two new appointments to its Hematology/Oncology Department leadership team. Victoria Forte, MD, was appointed Chief of the Division of Hematology/Oncology, Cancer Service Line Director, and Fellowship Program Director. Joining her is Calvin Han, MD, as RUMC's new Associate Chief of Hematology/Oncology.

A native Staten Island resident, Dr. Forte completed her hematology-oncology fellowship at the University of Southern California. There, she was awarded the Broad Stem Cell Clinical Scholars Grant. She presented her translational biomarker research in several conferences including the American Society of Clinical Oncology and the American Association of Cancer Research. Prior to her time at USC, she was an internal medicine resident in Brooklyn at SUNY Downstate Medical Center, where she rotated through Kings County Hospital, the Brooklyn VA, and Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. At MSKCC, she conducted several research projects in immunology and brain metastases. Additionally, she has been appointed to the board of the National Cancer Institute's Cancer IRB.

Dr. Forte's prior positions include serving in these same roles at New York City Health and Hospitals/ Kings County and as Northwell's Cancer Institute's Director of the Western Region. In addition, in her tenure as Medical Director at Puma Biotechnology, she was pivotal in the FDA approval of a novel HER2 targeted therapy in breast cancer. Her special interests include the multi-disciplinary care of

breast cancer, novel therapeutics, clinical trials, translational research, and personalized medicine.

"It's an honor and privilege to be back at RUMC. I'm thrilled to lead an expanded cancer service line. The mission and vision is to provide high quality, comprehensive, personalized cancer care via a multidisciplinary care team, cutting edge therapeutics and compassionate care right here at home" said Dr. Forte. "I'm exceptionally excited for the future of cancer care here in 2025 and beyond."

Like Dr. Forte, Dr. Han is a native Staten Island resident. He graduated with distinction from Cornell University with a bachelor's degree in microbiology after which he completed a doctor of medicine degree at St. Louis University School of Medicine. He went on to complete a residency in internal medicine and a fellowship in hematology/oncology, both at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine program.

Since 2010, Dr. Han has maintained his own Hematology/Oncology practice at the Yolanda G. Barco Oncology Institute in Meadville, Pennsylvania, where he has also been the Medical Director of Research and Professional Development and an Adjunct Clinical Professor at Lake Erie College of Medicine.

"I feel blessed to be coming back home and joining the RUMC team. My goal is to provide compassionate and excellent care to our community," said Dr. Han.

Cancer prevention program takes aim at vaping among teens

In November of 2024, nearly 50 students from Staten Island high schools gathered for RUMC's first Staten Island Vaping Prevention Ambassador Training event. The students learned about the dangers of vaping and e-cigarettes and how they can advocate among their peers and social circles to eliminate e-cigarette use in their communities as "anti-vaping ambassadors."

"The number of teens who smoke is greater on Staten Island than in any other borough, with one in five Staten Island teens smoking a pack or more a day," said Daniel J. Messina, PhD, FACHE, President and CEO of the hospital. "And nearly one in four teens in our borough is using e-cigarettes. The importance of lung screenings, which can lead to early detection, and increased education, especially to our young people, cannot be stressed enough."

The lung cancer premature death rate for Staten Island's North Shore exceeds the death rate for the rest of Staten Island and New York City overall, according to the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

Loren J. Harris, MD, FACS, FCCP, Chair of Surgery and Chief of Thoracic Surgery, presented statistics on lung cancer, including the rise of lung cancer cases over the last century, and shared images of lungs after years of tobacco use.

Nancy Sayegh-Rooney, RN, ONN-CG CTTS, RUMC's Lung Nurse Navigator, encouraged the students to advocate in their schools and communities as "anti-vaping

ambassadors."

"Staten Island has the highest population of lung cancer and smokers in New York City," Rooney said. "You can't live without your breath."

The training was provided in partnership with Public Health Solutions, the largest public health nonprofit in New York City that supports New Yorkers in achieving optimal health.



News & Notes

- ▶ In 2024, more than 400 patients took advantage of RUMC's Lung Cancer Screening Program, which uses a three-minute, low-dose CT (computed tomography) scan to produce cross-section images of the lungs. Found in their earliest stages, 90 percent of lung cancers are curable, and an annual lung screening aids in this early detection.
- ▶ RUMC's Center for Cancer Care treated over 550 new cancers in 2024, plus more than 400 cases of disease progression in patients new to the institution.
- ▶ The Center for Cancer Care accreditation for radiation therapy as a standalone facility was renewed by the American College of Radiation Oncology.
- ▶ In coordination with the Department of Oncology, over 200 free cancer screenings were provided at community health fairs and events across Staten Island in 2024. Screenings were provided for prostate and colon cancer, among others. Colon cancer screenings were provided through the distribution of at-home Fecal Immunochemical Test or FIT kits.



SURGERY

New Lucille and Jay Chazanoff Surgical Pavilion officially opens



Loren Harris, MD, FACS, FCCP
Chair, Department of Surgery and Chief, Thoracic Surgery



Monday, June 3, 2024, marked yet another historic day for Richmond University Medical Center: the first surgical procedures were performed inside the hospital's new world class Lucille and Jay Chazanoff Surgical Pavilion. With an investment of over \$40 million, the nearly 40,000 square feet surgical unit features 23 pre- and post-

operation bays, 11 new technologically-advanced surgical suites, larger nursing stations, advanced infection control technology, a hotel-style family waiting area, and spacious hallways to improve staff and patient flow. Three of the new operating suites are specifically designed to accommodate robotic surgery systems.

Bariatric Institute earns reaccreditation as a Center of Excellence

In April, the Institute earned reaccreditation as a Comprehensive Center with Adolescent and Obesity Medicine Qualifications, as well as a Center of Excellence in Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery. The Institute also earned a new designation: Center of Excellence in Obesity Medicine. These national designations were awarded through the Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery Accreditation and Quality Improvement Program, a joint quality program of the American College of Surgeons and the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery.

Bariatric surgery is the most effective and long-lasting treatment for severe obesity, resulting in significant weight loss and the improvement, prevention, or resolution of many related conditions including diabetes, heart disease, hypertension, and sleep apnea.

Most patients who qualify for bariatric surgery are at least 80 to 100 pounds overweight. Sleeve gastrectomy is the procedure performed most often. It involves removing a significant portion of the stomach to create a smaller, tube-shaped organ, according to Alexander Barkan, MD, MBA, FACS, FASMBS, Vice Chair of the Department of Surgery and founder of the RUMC Bariatric and Metabolic Institute.



Alexander Barkan, MD, MBA, FACS, FASMBS, Chief of Bariatric Surgery, Vice Chair of Surgery

ENT surgical team performs first sleep apnea procedure using innovative technology

In August 2024, our ENT team, led by Priya Sivarajah, MD, successfully performed the first Inspire sleep apnea implant at RUMC, which is an advanced technology only offered at a select few medical facilities. Accomplished with a two-hour outpatient procedure under general anesthesia, a small implant is inserted under the skin near the collarbone. A small wire is then tunneled under the skin of the neck to the nerve that controls the tongue and a small electrode is placed around the nerve. The device gently stimulates the tongue while the patient is asleep, alleviating obstructed breathing. About a month after surgery, when the device detects a pause in breathing at night, it sends a small impulse to the nerve and stimulates the tongue without waking the patient. It is an effective alternative for moderate to severe sleep apnea in patients who cannot tolerate or who cannot use the CPAP mask. Since the first procedure in August, Dr. Sivarajah and her team are now implanting several of the devices each month.



Shanmugappiriya Sivarajah, MD, MPH

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Teens facing gambling addiction: Staten Island's 'silent epidemic'



Joel Idowu, MD
Chair, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences

In response to the growing number of teens and young adults struggling with a gambling addiction, the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health stepped up its outpatient treatment programs in 2024.

"It's a silent epidemic," declared Joel Idowu, MD, Chair of the department at Richmond University Medical Center. Because gambling is easily accessible by mobile phone, an addiction can start in high school and continue through college, Dr. Idowu said.

The department is offering a hybrid treatment program to accommodate young patients, including individual therapy sessions and group therapy sessions. A gambling addiction is often accompanied by other conditions such as anxiety and depression, Dr. Idowu added.

New treatment offered for victims of trauma

Also in 2024, a grant made it possible to train the outpatient clinical staff in Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing, or EMDR, a psychotherapy treatment

that is designed to alleviate the distress associated with traumatic memories. By changing the way the memory is stored in the brain, EMDR reduces and eliminates problematic symptoms.

New inpatient facility in design

RUMC currently operates a 30-bed adult psychiatric unit and 10-bed child and adolescent psychiatric unit, as well as the borough's only Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program. The hospital plans a major renovation and upgrade to the unit that will include 10 additional beds for a total of 50 beds to serve the needs of children, adolescents, and adults. The city and state have earmarked \$20 million toward the total cost of \$25-\$28 million.

The expansion plan addresses a growing need for psychiatric services on Staten Island. According to Mental Health America, one in five people are living with a mental health condition, a rate exacerbated by the global COVID-19 pandemic.



News & Notes

- ▶ In 2024, nearly 30 patients received an FDA-approved treatment for substance abuse at RUMC's Silberstein Clinic. The once-monthly Sublocade injection addresses moderate-to-severe opioid use disorder, replacing oral medication and reducing the burden of taking medication daily, said Dr. Idowu. The Silberstein outpatient clinic is licensed by the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS).

- ▶ The department completed over 160,000 out-patient visits in 2024, and added three Staten Island schools to a total of 9 receiving mental health services from its staff.

- ▶ Two physicians and two nurse practitioners joined the Behavioral Sciences team: Gregory Pinsky, MD, with the outpatient mental health program at the Elizabeth W. Pouch Center for Special People; Sajid Arshad, MD, at the West Brighton Adult Outpatient Mental Health Clinic; Jean Cetoute, PMHNP-BC with CPEP; and Jeffrey Dynof, APN, DNP, PMHNP-BC, administrative director of inpatient psychiatric programs, CPEP, and the Mobile Crisis Program.

- ▶ On August 26, with family, friends, and former colleagues present, the Chol J. Lee, MD Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Unit was officially dedicated. The 10-bed inpatient unit was dedicated to the hospital's former Director of Inpatient Psychiatry, who passed away in 2019. Dr. Lee served Staten Island families for his entire 32-year career as a child and adult psychiatrist.



EMERGENCY MEDICINE

Staten Islanders trust RUMC for their emergency care



Johnathon LeBaron, DO, FACEP,
Chair, Emergency Medicine



New communications equipment increasing efficiency and coordination

The ED has adopted Mobile Heartbeat, a communication platform that allows healthcare professionals to quickly and efficiently communicate with each other regarding patient care. Through texting, voice calls, and alerts on smartphones provided as part of the program, Mobile Heartbeat is improving patient outcomes in critical situations through better coordination and efficiency between members of a patient's care team.

In 2024, the Emergency Department saw an 8% increase in volume, indicating that "Staten Islanders see Richmond University Medical Center as a great place to be seen and cared for," said Johnathon LeBaron, DO, FACEP, Chair of Emergency Medicine.

More than 55,000 patients were treated in the RUMC ED in 2024, Dr. LeBaron reported, and door-to-doctor time improved substantially from the previous year. Opened in 2023, the Honorable James P. Molinaro Emergency Department is more than twice the size of its predecessor with private trauma bays and treatment rooms and comprehensive specialty areas for pediatrics and urgent care.

News & Notes

- ▶ Thanks to a partnership with the Mount Sinai Health System, the department welcomed five physicians and four physician assistants to its team, bringing the totals to 21 and 17, respectively.
- ▶ The Emergency Department, in partnership with RUMC's Cardiovascular Department, received the American Heart Association's Get With The Guidelines-Coronary Artery Disease STEMI Receiving Center Gold award in recognition of its commitment to offering rapid, research-based care to people experiencing a specific type of heart attack known as an ST elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI), known to be more severe and dangerous than other types of heart attacks.
- ▶ In July, New York City Council Speaker Adrienne E. Adams and members of the Staten Island City Council Delegation toured the Emergency Department after announcing city funds allocated to RUMC as part of the city's fiscal year 2025 budget.



PEDIATRICS

For the youngest patients, specialized care and a focus on mental health

Medical staff cares for 4-year-old boy injured in Gaza

On February 22, Richmond University Medical Center medical professionals provided care for Omar Abukwaik, a 4-year-old boy from Gaza where war has been raging since October 2023. Omar lost his entire family when a bombing destroyed his home. He also lost an arm, and suffered severe burns and shrapnel injuries to his face. RUMC medical staff conducted a thorough examination of Omar's ear structure and hearing as well as performed a full behavioral health assessment to help Omar cope with the trauma he has experienced. Omar arrived in the United States through the Staten Island-based nonprofit Global Medical Relief Fund, an organization helping children who are victims of war, natural disasters, or other catastrophes receive free medical treatments.

Focus on pediatric mental health concerns

Chair of RUMC's Pediatrics Department, Brian McMahon, MD, has also been working with Project Teach, whose mission is to strengthen and support the ability of New York State's maternal health and pediatric primary care providers to deliver care to children and families who experience mild-to-moderate mental health concerns.

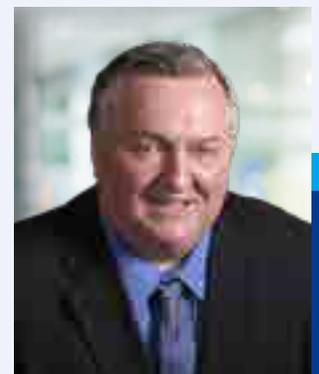
"Each week, through screenings, I see at least three patients with neurobehavioral problems that are disrupting their lives, such as anxiety or depression," he said. With assistance from Project Teach psychiatrists, the patients receive the treatment they need.



Christopher Lisi, MD, Chief, Division of ENT, Head and Neck Surgery interacts with Omar during his exam.

News & Notes

- ▶ In July 2024, the RUMC pediatrics program was accepted into the National Alliance of Sickle Cell Centers in the U.S. "It's recognition that we are doing good work," said Dr. McMahon, acknowledging Mario Peichev, MD, pediatric oncologist at RUMC.
- ▶ In December 2024, Dr. McMahon and fellow RUMC pediatrician Ana V. Mendez, MD, were honored by the Staten Island branch of the National Alliance on Mental Illness.



Brian McMahon, MD
Chair, Pediatrics

MATERNITY

Milk bank makes breastfeeding available to all newborns

RUMC welcomed over 2,700 new babies in 2024. Historically the hospital sees nearly 3,000 births annually.



Newborns at Richmond University Medical Center are benefiting from an affiliation with the New York Milk Bank that makes donated breast milk available to mothers who are unable to provide it. The program especially supports early pre-term deliveries and mothers who may have an anatomical issue.

The World Health Organization and UNICEF recommend exclusive breastfeeding for the first six months of a baby's life. However, breastfeeding can continue to provide nutrients and protection until the age of two.

Based in Valhalla, N.Y., the New York Milk Bank is dedicated to improving the health and survival of infants in need by providing them with safely pasteurized donor human milk when their mothers' own milk is unavailable or insufficient. More than 5,000 potential donors have been screened and more than one million ounces of milk have been dispensed since the Milk Bank was established in 2016.

The agency maintains a strict set of criteria. Donors are thoroughly screened and pooled together in order to provide the breast milk that is needed, which varies according to gestational age.

RUMC's enrollment involved a rigorous certification process, extensive staff training, and standards-specific set-up for storage and tracking. Implementation took the better part of 2024, and utilization will increase in the coming year now that all components are in place.

Improved care thanks to Labor and Delivery nurse increase

The certification rate for labor and delivery nurses in the Maternal Child Division increased in 2024. The number of nurses with a bachelor's degree has also risen. Staffing within the division follows guidelines of the Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses, or AWHONN, establishing the highest level of care for patients. To that end, RUMC assures the presence of at least two nurses for every delivery — one for the mother and one for the newborn.

Two hundred nurses in RUMC's Maternal Child Division have specialty training and meet an extensive list of competencies.

Identifying behavioral health needs and social determinants of health

The Maternal Services Department is part of a cohort working with the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (NYCDOHMH) to improve the screening of new mothers for perinatal mood and anxiety disorders. This makes it possible during a hospital stay to detect and address any concerns by connecting the patient with a social worker and community resources.

News & Notes

- ▶ Just a few hours into 2024, RUMC welcomed its first baby of the new year, Makah Galal. The bundle of joy arrived at 5:05 AM to proud parents Neenaah and Ahmed Galal. Makah weighed 7 pounds and was 20 inches in length. She is the couple's second child.



OPHTHALMOLOGY

Retina specialist, pediatric ophthalmologist join ophthalmology team



David Mostafavi, MD
Chair, Ophthalmology



Neena Gadangi, MD



Mark Ghassibi, MD

A fellowship-trained specialist in retinal diseases and surgery has joined the Department of Ophthalmology at Richmond University Medical Center.

A graduate of the George Washington University School of Medicine, Mark Ghassibi, MD, completed an ophthalmology residency and served as chief resident at Northwell Health – Long Island Jewish Hospital/Northshore University Hospital. He also completed a two-year surgical retina fellowship at SUNY Downstate Medical Center.

“We are handling more retina cases than ever,” said David Mostafavi, MD, Chair of the RUMC Department of Ophthalmology and a cataract surgery specialist. That translates to about 30 cases a month, he added.

Most retina problems are the result of poorly controlled diabetes, Dr. Mostafavi confirmed. They include diabetic retinopathy, a complication of diabetes that damages the blood vessels in the retina, the light-sensitive layer of tissue at the back of the eye. It can cause blindness if left undiagnosed and untreated.

A pediatric ophthalmologist is now also on staff at RUMC. Neena Gadangi, MD, is trained to diagnose children who have vision issues that can be permanent if undiagnosed by age eight.

Dr. Gadangi is a specialist in treating strabismus, misalignment that causes one eye to deviate inward toward the nose, or outward, while the other eye remains focused. Also known as “crossed eyes,” strabismus can occur at any age, but is most common in children.

She also treats amblyopia, also known as “lazy eye,” a common condition that occurs when the brain does not fully process information from one eye.

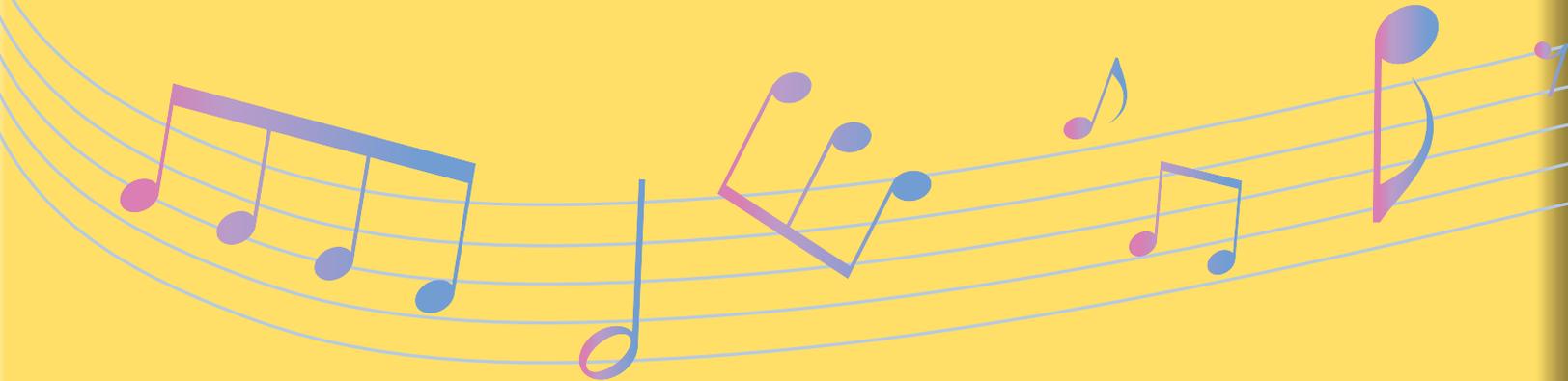
Dr. Gadangi completed her training in Hyderabad, India, at NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada Gandhi Medical College, giving her extensive knowledge of eye diseases around the world.

News & Notes

- ▶ The RUMC eye clinic, located on the fifth floor of the hospital, assisted over 5,400 patients in 2024. On average over 450 people utilized the clinic each month for eye exams and treatment for eye and vision related conditions.

PALLIATIVE CARE

Music therapy enhances palliative care treatment plan



The healing and comforting technique of music therapy is enhancing palliative care services for cancer survivors and hospice patients at Richmond University Medical Center. Music therapists use song writing, improvisation, guided imagery, singing, and instruments to treat the many needs of patients and families. Music therapy interventions encourage physical and mental health and emphasize pain and stress management.

“I see every day the transformative qualities of music,” said Rebecca Loveszy, PhD, Music Therapy Program director at RUMC since March 2024. “All of us are musical beings, affected by the sounds around us. We can communicate through music and connect with other people through music.”

A difficult situation such as a cancer diagnosis can be calmed with music, Dr. Loveszy explained. It could be a song from childhood that brings peace — even a song heard in utero, since music is recognizable at 24 weeks gestation, she added. Music can help process feelings.

Her sessions run from 15 minutes to two hours, and are designed by exploring a patient’s musical history. Dr. Loveszy brings instruments to the sessions, and invites family members and medical staff to participate in the treatment.

“It’s important that everyone involved in the patient’s care

is acknowledged and everyone is part of the experience, so there’s unity and the patient knows they are being supported,” she said. “The goal of music therapy is to see the patient in a better place by the end of the session, to see them happier, lighter, and more hopeful.”

Music therapy is especially useful for patients who are unable to speak, said Thomas Forlenza, MD, MS, FAAHPM, chief of palliative care and an oncologist/hematologist at RUMC. It also helps the medical staff through the stress of losing a patient, he added.

“Staff are invested in their patients; a lot of emotion is involved.”



Thomas Forlenza, MD



Rebecca Loveszy, PhD

News & Notes

- ▶ In 2024, RUMC provided palliative care to more than 350 patients living with a serious illness such as cancer, heart failure, Alzheimer’s disease, kidney disease, dementia, HIV/AIDS, and pulmonary fibrosis, up from 275 the previous year.

REHABILITATION

Patients with aphasia now have a support group of their own



Kristine Delgado
Administrative Director

A new support group launched in 2024 is helping patients, their caregivers, and family members cope with the challenging language disorder of aphasia.

“We wanted a therapy group for our aphasia patients that also offers them a chance to socialize without feeling judged or embarrassed,” said Kristine Delgado, a speech pathologist and Administrative Director for Outpatient Rehabilitation at Richmond University Medical Center.

“There’s nothing like it anywhere else on Staten Island.” Aphasia is a disorder that results from damage to portions of the brain that are responsible for language. The condition can occur suddenly, often following a stroke or head injury, but may also develop slowly as the result of a brain tumor or progressive neurological disease. It impairs the expression and understanding of language as well as reading and writing.

About 1 million people in the U.S. have aphasia, according to the National Aphasia Association. Nearly 180,000 Americans acquire it each year, affecting one in every 272 Americans.

Led by two RUMC speech therapists, the aphasia support group meets at RUMC’s Comprehensive Rehabilitation Center and offers members a chance to socialize with each other, an important component of therapy.

Members can bring a relative or caregiver to each session to work on strategies for communication, and have affectionately nicknamed their group, “The Chatterbox Club.”

“The patients love coming to sessions because they feel welcome and accepted,” Delgado said. “They have formed social groups outside the center, and often go out for lunch

after a session for some socialization without pressure or judgment.”

“People incorrectly assume that if someone has difficulty speaking, their intellect is also affected,” Delgado added, sharing a stigma that persists about the condition.

Neuromuscular Electrical Stimulation helping patients with swallowing difficulty

Also in 2024, the rehabilitation center began using Neuromuscular Electrical Stimulation (NMES) to treat swallowing issues that develop with neurological conditions or after a stroke. The NMES device uses electrical impulses to stimulate, or “wake up,” small muscles in the neck and face by causing them to contract.

RUMC launches first of its kind Parkinson’s disease program

People living with Parkinson’s disease often move differently, with gestures and actions that become smaller and slower. They may have trouble getting around, getting dressed, and with other activities of daily living. In 2024, two RUMC therapists completed certification for the Lee Silverman Voice Treatment (LSVT) program, offered to Parkinson’s disease patients during four one-hour sessions each week. LSVT focuses on the speech motor system and more recently has been extended to address limb motor systems such as a shuffling gait, common with Parkinson’s.

“This is a distinction for the hospital, since not many rehab centers offer this neurological-based treatment,” Delgado reported. “The additions of NMES and LSVT to our treatment repertoire enable us to improve outcomes and offer patients the best opportunities for recovery.”

News & Notes

- ▶ Patient volume at the Comprehensive Rehabilitation Center increased by 25 percent in 2024, Delgado reported. The center projected 16,000 visits in 2024 — up from 13,000 the previous year. Delgado attributes the boost to more patient outreach following Richmond Health Network referrals and an increase in pediatric patients.

NURSING

**Richmond University Medical Center
welcomes new chief nursing officer**



Christine Mahoney, DNP,
RN, AGACNP-BC, NEA-BC,
CCRN

In September 2024, Richmond University Medical Center announced the appointment of Christine Mahoney, DNP, RN, AGACNP-BC, NEA-BC, CCRN as Senior Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer.

Mahoney is a highly respected nurse leader with over 25 years of experience in clinical nursing, healthcare management, and clinical operations. Before joining RUMC, Mahoney was the Chief Nursing Officer and Senior Vice President at Mount Sinai Beth Israel and Downtown, and the Vice President of Critical Care Nursing for the Mount Sinai Health System. She has also served in leadership roles at both New York University's Langone Medical Center and New York-Presbyterian Hospital.

Mahoney has a proven track record of improving patient care outcomes, leading multidisciplinary teams, and driving strategic initiatives within healthcare organizations. Throughout her career, she has successfully implemented patient safety protocols, streamlined hospital workflows, and participated in the development of standardized educational programs for both nursing staff and students.

She is an advocate for patient-centered care and healthcare innovation, frequently participating in initiatives to integrate technology and evidence-based practices into

nursing care. Mahoney is also passionate about supporting the professional development of nurses, having served as a mentor to numerous emerging nurse leaders.

Mahoney earned a master of science in nursing from Hunter College in New York City, an Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Post-Master's Statutory Certificate from Columbia University's School of Nursing, and a doctorate in nursing practice from Case Western Reserve University. Her professional affiliations include the American Association of Critical Care Nurses, the American Nurses Association, the American Organization for Nursing Leadership, Sigma Theta Tau International Society, and the New York Organization for Nursing Leadership, where she serves as treasurer. In recognition of her contributions, she has been honored with multiple leadership and excellence in nursing awards.

"I look forward to working alongside dedicated professionals who strive to promote patient-centered care that engages patients and their families in care decisions to create a more holistic care experience and who continue to demonstrate a commitment to transparency and continuous improvement," Mahoney said.

News & Notes

- ▶ In 2024, Anthony Basile, DNP, RN, CCRN, SCRNP, was named Vice President for Med-Surg, Critical Care, and Nursing Operations. He joined Richmond University Medical Center in 2022. Originally from Staten Island, he has over 20 years of nursing experience, having held several leadership positions throughout his career. He started his career at Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn as a staff nurse in the Cardiothoracic Intensive Care Unit. After gaining years of experience, he became a Nurse Clinician and became the overnight Nurse Clinician for Maimonides Rapid Response Team. Years later, he transitioned to Nurse Manager for Maimonides's Medical Intensive Care Unit. Basile left Maimonides to become Patient Care Director for various units at New York Presbyterian Hospital in Manhattan. Basile holds several nursing degrees, and earned his doctorate in nursing practice in 2016. He is also certified as a Critical Care Registered Nurse and Stroke Certified Registered Nurse.



Anthony Basile, DNP, RN,
CCRN, SCRNP

MEDICAL EDUCATION

Mentoring, support and education ensuring each resident's success

Complementing Richmond University Medical Center's mission to pursue the highest quality of patient care, the Graduate Medical Education (GME) Department is responsible for providing educational residency programs and a physician workforce capable of supporting a rapidly evolving healthcare environment.

Throughout 2024, the GME Department, under the direction of Angela D. Kerr, MD, FACOG, RUMC's Designated Institutional Official (DIO), continued to guide and supervise each resident's professional and personal development. In 2024, RUMC continued its sponsorship of one fellowship program and five residency programs — internal medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics, psychiatry and radiology — accredited by the ACGME, with over 140 enrolled, said Dr. Kerr. SUNY-Downstate College of Medicine is a supporting institution. The department also supervised the hospital's CPME accredited podiatry residency training program and SAGES Advanced GI Minimally Invasive Surgery (MIS) Fellowship.

Representing RUMC on a national stage

In October, Jessie Saverimuttu, MD, an infectious disease specialist, joined Dr. Kerr at a Chicago meeting of ACGME's National Learning Community of Sponsoring Institutions and Clinical Learning Environments. The physicians were invited to give a presentation about RUMC's resident-run Patient Safety and Quality Council. "The council enables residents to be fully integrated into the institution's performance improvement activities," Dr. Kerr explained.

Focusing on medical staff self care

Recognizing that the medical staff must feel well to do well, the hospital's Wellness Council conducted a survey analyzing the significant stressors impacting residents.

"We are building on the different aspects of wellness," Dr. Kerr said. "Not just the physical, but also the psychological, emotional, and mental aspects. We want to prevent burnout and keep residents engaged with their goal of helping people."

In January, the GME partnered with the Department of Medicine to provide a Resident Spa Day. Chair and table massages, yoga, meditation, and healthy foods were available to help residents de-stress and re-energize.



Angela Kerr, MD, FACOG

News & Notes

- ▶ This past year the Institution had its Clinical Learning Environment Review (CLER) site visit from the ACGME. CLER is designed to provide feedback that addresses six focus areas: patient safety, healthcare quality, teaming, supervision, well-being, and professionalism.

Richmond Health Network

Patients benefit most from Richmond Health Network's growth



Richmond Health Network saw a 20 percent increase in patient visits in 2024, highlighting its commitment to expanding access to quality healthcare in 28 locations across Staten Island, Brooklyn and Manhattan.

"We are really getting into the community, and with organizations that have a built in patient base for us, like Wagner College," said Jeffrey Lieto, who was named Executive Vice President of the Richmond Health Network and Chief Strategy Officer in March 2024 and brings 30 years of experience in executive healthcare management to Richmond University Medical Center.

Eight new physicians and three new mid-level practitioners have joined the network and are delivering specialty services

to meet the diverse needs of patients. They include Edwin Chang, MD, a neurosurgeon who is connected to the Chinese-American community in Brooklyn and Manhattan, and Adam Margalit, MD, an orthopedic hand surgeon.

Network providers are addressing the issue of healthcare disparity in the communities they serve, Lieto said, by focusing on public health strategies and community health indicators.

The network has seen growth in primary care at its locations and the need for expanded mental health services, he added.



Jeffrey Lieto
Executive Vice President of the Richmond Health Network and Chief Strategy Officer

News & Notes

- ▶ The opening of a Women's Center for Obstetrics and Gynecology in Charleston was celebrated with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on December 17 (photo above). Under the direction of Inna Tubman, MD, FACOG, board certified OB/GYN physician, the center offers a spa-like atmosphere reflecting a new approach to women's healthcare.
- ▶ Cardiopulmonary rehabilitation services, offered at 288 Kissel Ave., are expanding under Lieto's direction. The addition of home rehabilitation visits is expected to quadruple the intake rate in 2025.

Patient

TESTIMONIALS



Was in the ER and had the most wonderful, kind, compassionate and caring physician assistant in the world. Hany Yousef was amazing. More doctors should be like him. RUMC is lucky to have a doctor like him. Thank you Hany for everything you did. God bless you."

R.K.



If it wasn't for Dr. (Dara) Fedele with the Breast and Imaging Center, I would have ended up with a SECOND unnecessary surgery. She recommended a prone table and my biopsy took 20 minutes, tops. The techs were also great and the front desk was fantastic."

G.A.



If anybody is looking for a place with powerful inclusion, structure, gratitude and positivity, this would be the place to go. A very good team of people for those who need good influence. Ask for Anthony, he is the GOAT! Thanks Silberstein Clinic!"

A.A.



I went into the new emergency department and had a great experience. From the valet parking to the triage nurses, it was unbelievable. The new facility is state of the art and the nurses are great! It's about time Staten Island has a great hospital like this! I drove from across the island... I'm glad I did! Great job RUMC!"

R.C.



The staff were caring, personable and wonderful to our mother and our family. They checked on us regularly and didn't rush us when we had multiple questions. They made sure that everything was at our fingertips, especially Nikki DeRosa, Nick Gentilella, Alyssa Meeker and Jennie Colon."

A.P.



I don't know what, if any, special recognitions are awarded to RUMC's resident doctors, but for the extraordinary care, concern, and gentle bedside manner he provided to both my husband and me during such a difficult, stressful time, I would nominate Joseph Picone for Resident of the Year."

Y.R.

Support and generosity from our community

In 2024, the community showed its appreciation for Richmond University Medical Center by supporting the hospital's signature special events

RUMC/Arnold Obey 5K Run/Walk

Nearly 500 runners and walkers took part in the annual event held at Clove Lakes Park on April 13. Proceeds from this year's event were donated to the family of Rory DeCristoforo, a 7-year-old girl who tragically perished in a house fire on New Year's Day in West Brighton.



Jack Sipp Golf, Tennis and Bocce Outing

RUMC hosted its annual outing on May 20 at the Richmond County Country Club. Over 300 people enjoyed a round of golf, a bocce tournament, or a round robin tennis competition. This year's event honored Mark Brandon, MD, who received the Stanley Stilwell, MD, Memorial Award, and Jill O'Donnell-Tormey and her husband, Thomas A. Tormey, Jr., who received the Jack Sipp Distinguished Service Award.

Annual Gala

On November 2, over 450 guests, supporters, hospital trustees, and staff stepped back in time for "A Night at the Copa," the theme of the 18th annual Richmond University Medical Center Gala. The event was held at the Hilton Garden Inn and served as an opportunity to shine the spotlight on accomplishments from the past year and this year's pair of honorees: Alexander Beylinson, DO, President of the RUMC Medical Staff from 2021 to 2023; and Mount Sinai Health System for strengthening its collaboration with RUMC. Brendan G. Carr, MD, Mount Sinai Chief Executive Officer, accepted the award from the hospital.



YEAR IN REVIEW



The Hon. James P. Molinaro Emergency Department celebrates one-year milestone

On January 20, Richmond University Medical Center's James P. Molinaro Emergency Department celebrated its one-year anniversary. Over the course of its first year in operation, the Emergency Department, a Level I Adult and Level II Pediatric Trauma Center, treated over 50,000 people. The Emergency Department is operated in affiliation with the Mount Sinai Health System.

Jeffrey Lieto joins RUMC leadership team

Richmond University Medical Center announced Jeffrey Lieto, MBA, as the new Executive Vice President of the Richmond Health Network and Chief Strategy Officer. Lieto oversees the operations of the network, which includes over 20 physician offices and specialty sites throughout Staten Island, Brooklyn and Manhattan. Lieto has over 30 years of senior health executive experience in New York and New Jersey.



Annual Patient Symposium highlights quality and safety improvements

On April 25, the 10th annual Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Symposium was held, showcasing the many improvements made in the areas of patient safety and quality service. Over 20 projects were submitted from different departments, with winners selected in the categories of oral presentation and poster presentation. The winning oral presentation, "Initiatives for Reducing Hospital Acquired C.Diff Infections," was submitted by the Department of Internal Medicine. The winning poster presentation, "Ensuring Safe Transition: Compliance of the RUMC NICU with Safe Discharge Quality Measures in NOWS/NAS Babies," was submitted by the Pediatrics Department.

RUMC celebrates Pride Month at Staten Island Pride Fest

Richmond University Medical Center was a proud sponsor of Pride Fest 2024, held on June 1 at the Snug Harbor Cultural Center. The event was organized by Pride Center of Staten Island to kick off June, which is National Pride Month. Over 1,000 people attended the event. RUMC staff provided information on hospital services and offered free prostate cancer screenings.



Celebrating Men's Health Awareness Month with free prostate cancer screenings

On June 17, Richmond University Medical Center provided free prostate cancer screenings for Men's Health Awareness Month. The screenings were provided at the Broadway YMCA in partnership with Fans for the Cure. In attendance were former Major League Baseball players Jason Marquis and Frank Menechino. The hospital also provided an informational seminar on prostate cancer, given by board certified urologist Richard Maggio, MD.

YEAR IN REVIEW



New trustees named to RUMC Board

New trustees Allen Brown, Ana Mendez, MD, and Frank Scafuri, DO, were appointed to the hospital's board in July. Brown is a senior technology executive with extensive experience in the financial sector. Dr. Mendez is board certified in pediatrics and internal medicine and is currently the Chief of Ambulatory Pediatrics at RUMC. Dr. Scafuri is board certified and specializes in infectious diseases. He is an honorary police surgeon for infectious diseases for the New York City Police Department and the Medical Director for the Physician Assistant Program at Wagner College.

City Council allocates over \$12 million for hospital-wide projects and services

As part of the fiscal year 2025 city budget, the Staten Island City Council Delegation and Council Speaker Adrienne E. Adams allocated \$12.8 million in capital funds to continue renovations and purchase critical equipment at Richmond University Medical Center, including MRI, PET Scan, CAT scan, X-Ray, and ultrasound machines. In addition, more than \$600,000 was awarded to provide cancer screenings in the community, early intervention programs to improve maternal and child health outcomes, mental health and addiction services, and care for sexual assault victims.



Philip Otterbeck, MD, appointed new Chief Medical Officer

In August, Philip Otterbeck, MD, was appointed RUMC's new Chief Medical Officer. A native Staten Islander who was born at RUMC when it was known as St. Vincent's Hospital, Dr. Otterbeck graduated from New York University with a bachelor's degree in biology. He earned his doctor of medicine degree from SUNY-Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn, where he also completed a residency in internal medicine and a fellowship in diabetes, endocrinology, and metabolism.

RUMC receives part of \$12M from New York State to treat opioid addiction

Richmond University Medical Center was one of eight community organizations receiving funds as part of a \$12 million settlement secured through a series of lawsuits brought by New York State against opioid manufacturers and distributors. RUMC and the other providers will each receive \$375,000 per year over the course of the next four years. The funding for RUMC will support the hospital's substance use services, distribution of Fentanyl and Xylazine test strips and Naloxone kits; and increased community outreach to make the public aware of recovery resources available through RUMC.



Richmond University Medical Center welcomes new COO

In September, RUMC announced the appointment of Jonathan Zipkin, MD, MA, as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. Prior to his new role, Dr. Zipkin served as a Chief Medical Officer, overseeing 275 outpatient healthcare facilities at 11 major health systems across the country. Dr. Zipkin is double board certified in internal medicine and pediatrics.

YEAR IN REVIEW

Hospital pauses to remember 9/11/01

Hospital staff, along with members of the NYPD, FDNY, and community leaders, paused to pay tribute to the victims of the attacks on September 11, 2001. The annual ceremony, commemorating the 23rd anniversary of the attacks, was held in front of the hospital's 9/11 memorial.



Hundreds attend RUMC sponsored 12th Annual Nonprofit Conference

Over 300 people attended the 12th annual Nonprofit Conference held by NonProfit Staten Island on October 30. RUMC was lead sponsor of the conference and Vice President for Public Relations and Marketing Alex Lutz served as the conference chair. The conference is the only event on Staten Island specifically focused on empowering and enhancing the capacity of the borough's nonprofit sector.

RUMC sponsors 2024 SIEDC Health & Wellness Expo

Richmond University Medical Center was a sponsor of the 2024 Health and Wellness Expo, held on November 8. The event is provided annually by the Staten Island Economic Development Corporation. In addition to distributing information on hospital services, RUMC staff provided over 100 free health screenings including EKGs, glaucoma tests, and lung capacity monitoring.



New surgical pavilion wins building award

RUMC's new Lucille and Jay Chazanoff Surgical Pavilion was honored with a 2024 Building Award for Internal Design and Construction from the Staten Island Chamber of Commerce. The award was presented at a ceremony on November 13 at the St. George Theatre.

New Women's Center for Obstetrics and Gynecology unveiled

On December 18, Richmond University Medical Center officially opened its new Women's Center for Obstetrics and Gynecology. The center, located on Staten Island's south shore at 2935 Veterans Road West, offers spacious exam suites equipped with the latest technology, private consultation rooms, a comfortable waiting and reception area, and a specially designed, fully equipped procedure room, which provides a sterile and convenient location for patients to undergo minimally invasive procedures.



Accreditations/Awards

Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)

- ▶ Hematology/Oncology Fellowship
- ▶ Internal Medicine
- ▶ Pediatrics
- ▶ Psychiatry
- ▶ Obstetrics and Gynecology
- ▶ Radiology

American Association of Blood Banks (AABB)

- ▶ Laboratory accreditation

American College of Emergency Physicians

- ▶ Geriatric Emergency Department-Bronze certification

American College of Radiation Oncology

- ▶ Radiation oncology accreditation

American College of Radiology

- ▶ Breast Ultrasound
- ▶ Mammography
- ▶ Positron Emission Tomography (PET)
- ▶ Stereotactic Breast Biopsy
- ▶ Ultrasound Guided Biopsy

American College of Surgeons

- ▶ Committee on Cancer - Oncology program accreditation
- ▶ Level I Adult Trauma Center
- ▶ Level II Pediatric Trauma Center
- ▶ Quality Surgical Partner-Accredited Metabolic and Bariatric Center
- ▶ Center of Excellence-Bariatric and Metabolic Institute

American Diabetes Association

- ▶ Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support certification

American Heart Association

- ▶ Mission: Lifeline STEMI Receiving Center-Gold
- ▶ Mission: Lifeline NSTEMI-Bronze

American Heart Association/American Stroke Association

- ▶ Get With The Guidelines - Stroke Gold Plus
- ▶ Target: Stroke Honor Roll Elite
- ▶ Target: Type 2 Diabetes Honor Roll

American Society for Clinical Pathology

- ▶ Laboratory accreditation

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

- ▶ National Diabetes Prevention Program certification

College of American Pathologists

- ▶ Blood Gas Laboratory accreditation
- ▶ Pathology accreditation

Council of Podiatric Medical Education (CPME)

- ▶ Podiatry medical education program accreditation

Medical Society of the State of New York

- ▶ Continuing Medical Education certification

Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery Accreditation and Quality Improvement Program (MBSAQIP)

- ▶ Adolescent Bariatric Surgery accreditation
- ▶ Bariatric Surgery accreditation
- ▶ Center of Excellence-Bariatric and Metabolic Institute
- ▶ Comprehensive Center with Adolescent and Obesity Medicine Qualifications

New York State Department of Health

- ▶ Laboratory accreditation
- ▶ Level I Adult Trauma Center
- ▶ Level II Pediatric Trauma Center
- ▶ Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)
- ▶ Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (SAFE) Center of Excellence
- ▶ Trauma accreditation

The Joint Commission

- ▶ Hospital accreditation
- ▶ Primary Stroke Center

US News & World Report

- ▶ High Performing Hospital-Heart Failure



Executive Leadership

Daniel J. Messina, PhD, FACHE
President and Chief Executive Officer

Jeffrey Lieto, MBA
Executive Vice President of the Richmond Health Network, Chief Strategy Officer

David Murray, MBA, FHFMA
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Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer

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