We’re renovating to better serve your needs

As our community continued to grow this year, we kept up the pace by investing in our campus. In 2019, we focused on advancing technology and further improving care for patients at Methodist Dallas Medical Center. We opened new facilities to provide specialized and comprehensive care and brought in new technologies and services. We’re excited to share our expansions.

NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND SERVICES

- **SPECT/CT** — Our new advanced, noninvasive single photon emission computed tomography (SPECT) and CT imaging system allows for minimal radiation dose exposure while screening patients faster than before.

- **3D mammography system** — Our women’s imaging center has acquired a second Hologic 3Dimensions mammography system. 3D mammography has a 40% better detection rate compared with digital mammography and a lower false-positive rate.

- **da Vinci Xi® surgical system** — As a designated Epicenter for robotic surgery, the medical staff at Methodist Dallas performs a high level of complex surgeries. With the addition of a fourth da Vinci Xi system we’ll be able to perform more of these minimally invasive surgeries, which means shorter hospital stays and faster recovery times for our patients.

- **Drug take-back boxes** — As part of Methodist Health System’s initiative to battle the opioid crisis, Methodist Dallas was the first large hospital in the city to install drug take-back boxes. While most retail pharmacies charge consumers to properly dispose of medications, Methodist Dallas’ take-back program is free. The boxes are located in the Emergency Department as well as the new retail pharmacy in the main lobby.

Located on the newly remodeled ninth floor of Schenkel Tower, the new **Sammons Geriatric Trauma Unit** opened on June 4. The unit is designed to better serve the specific needs of a growing, aging population.

Methodist Health System opened a new, wholly owned retail pharmacy in the main lobby of Methodist Dallas on April 17. The new **Methodist Community Pharmacy** also works to lower the cost of medications to all patients by leveraging health system discounts and patient assistance programs.

The new **John R. Ford Family Gastrointestinal Laboratory and Advanced Endoscopy Center** opened its doors May 20. The center features two, high-tech fluoroscopy procedure rooms that have all new equipment. The center also has six preoperative rooms with private bathrooms, recovery areas, and a spacious reception area.

Methodist Dallas achieved the coveted **Magnet® designation** from the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) on July 29. Hospital leaders gathered with more than 300 nurses, physicians, and community members to hear the great news from the ANCC via a phone call. Fewer than 10% of hospitals worldwide have achieved this level of success and recognition.
Proud to work for **community wellness**

**We’re improving the** health of our community with these initiatives:

- **Faith Community Nursing** — Through local churches, Methodist Health System provides education and health outreach, including flu shots and biometric screenings.
- **Methodist Generations** — This program offers a variety of wellness activities, social events, and educational outreach for people ages 55 and older.
- **Mobile mammography** — Methodist’s mobile mammography unit provided breast cancer screenings to 4,714 women this year, including 2,047 in the Methodist Dallas Medical Center service area.
- **Diabetes 101** — This is a monthly diabetes education class taught by a nurse educator who discusses disease basics, management, and treatment. The class is free and open to the public. Attendees receive a healthy lunch at no cost.
- **Methodist Alliance for Patients and Physicians (MAP2)** — Through coordinated care, this accountable care organization (ACO) improves and saves the lives of more than 85,000 people. These patients have seen improvement in health measures and lowered overall cost of care. For these efforts, MAP2 has achieved national recognition for the quality of care patients receive.
- **Life Shines Bright Pregnancy Program** — This program is dedicated to helping women experience healthy pregnancies with the CenteringPregnancy® model of care.
- **MedAssist** — This program provides vital bridge medications, 970 prescriptions in the past year, to patients in financial need. Through pharmaceutical partnerships, MedAssist also connected patients to 56 prescriptions for free medications valued at $487,640.
- **Pet therapy** — On a weekly basis, licensed dog therapy teams bring smiles and comfort to patients, visitors, and employees.

**Volunteer services** — The volunteer services office supports its junior volunteers through the Future Nurse Intensive and College and Career Pathways programs. In 2019, the office awarded more than $20,000 in scholarships to junior volunteers who are graduating high school seniors.

- **SANE program** — The Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) program provides compassionate, confidential care and forensic examinations for sexual assault victims. This program includes rape kits and prophylaxis for sexually transmitted infections at no cost to patients. It is the first program of its kind in southern Dallas County.

**2019 SERVICE AND SUPPORT**

We were proud to offer or sponsor these and other community events and organizations last year:

- Blues, Bandits, and BBQ Festival
- Dallas Mayor’s Back to School Fair
- Dallas Parks Foundation
- Dallas Symphony Orchestra
- Dallas Youth Athletic Association
- Dash for the Beads Race
- Friends of Oak Cliff Parks
- Love in Motion
- Mothers’ Milk Bank of North Texas
- North Oak Cliff Greenspace
- Oak Cliff Film Festival
- Park Cities Rotary Club
- Southern Gateway Public Green Deck Park
- Southwest Transplant Alliance
- Taste of Oak Cliff
- Trinity River Conservancy
- Twelve Hills Nature Center
- Well Community, a place of recovery from mental illness
- Women Texas Film Festival

Methodist Dallas encouraged community members to make a fresh start by participating in the Fit Fall Fun health festival in September. The event combined health screenings with live music and entertainment, plus a free lunch.

Methodist Dallas celebrated America’s birthday by joining the Park Cities Rotary Club in an old-fashioned neighborhood parade and block party at Goar Park.

More than 100 children attended our “How to Make Your Own Terrarium” workshops during Oak Cliff Earth Day at Lake Cliff Park in April.
New facility brings you specialized digestive care

Methodist Dallas has long been recognized as a leader in digestive health, and we now have a new home that reflects that reputation. On June 27, Methodist Digestive Institute (MDI) opened the John R. Ford Family Gastrointestinal Lab and Advanced Endoscopy Center.

The new center boasts advanced imaging and endoscopic equipment, which require no external incision to access the digestive tract, for diagnosing and treating GI conditions and cancers. In addition, the specialty unit includes spacious reception, procedure, and recovery areas.

“These facilities are a complete transformation and will make our staff and patients much more comfortable,” says Paul Tarnasky, MD, FACG, medical director at MDI.

IMPROVING HEALTHCARE QUALITY WITH EVIDENCE-BASED MEDICINE

MDI at Methodist Dallas is one of Methodist Health System’s Centers of Excellence because of the exceptional patient care and groundbreaking research being done by the team. In the past five years, the team has published 23 research papers in peer-reviewed medical journals.

Most recently, Dr. Tarnasky and Prashant Kedia, MD, medical director of interventional endoscopy, together with colleagues at Methodist and other research hospitals across the country, received national recognition in the American Journal of Gastroenterology for their contributions to the GI field in the area of acute pancreatitis.

Using research-based evidence from current literature and clinical expertise accumulated from patient care experiences, the group created a national standard of effective medical care for the management of pancreatitis with the end goal of improving mortality rates.

In addition to their research and patient care, Drs. Tarnasky and Kedia also teach GI fellows from around the country in a three-year fellowship program and organize an annual national GI symposium in Dallas that brings together renowned physicians to share the most up-to-date information about gastroenterology.
10,519
The number of people Methodist Health System employed throughout the Metroplex in 2019.

2,910
The number of people employed by Methodist Dallas Medical Center in 2019

439
The number of people who live in the Oak Cliff neighborhood.
** These are some of the ZIP codes: 75208, 75203, 75211, 75236, 75237, 75233, 75224, 75232 and 75216.

$170.3 million
How much Methodist Health System provided in unreimbursed charity care in fiscal year 2019

$1.5 billion
Methodist Health System’s 2019 economic impact, including from income and benefits provided for employees

5
The number of years Methodist Health System has been part of the Mayo Clinic Care Network. Both Methodist and Mayo Clinic continue to work together to benefit the communities they serve by sharing knowledge, accessing the latest medical information, and providing innovative care unmatched in this marketplace.

71
Number of physician residents and fellows who trained at Methodist Dallas in 2019

5
The number of consecutive years that Methodist Health System has been named among the Best Places to Work by the Dallas Business Journal. The health system also ranked among the 150 Great Places to Work in Healthcare by Becker’s Hospital Review for the eighth year running.

16
Number of physician residents and fellows who trained at Methodist Dallas in 2019

71
Number of volunteers at Methodist Dallas in 2019

461
Clinical trials that Methodist Dallas conducted/participated in 2019

ADVISORY BOARD
Front row, from left: Janie Means Gilmore, Dr. Elba Garcia, Delia Jasso, Bobby Abtahi, Linda Young, Glenn Bodinson, Dr. Darrell Thigpen, Brenda Jackson. Back row, from left: Ben Houston, chair; Dr. Andy Stoker, chair-elect; Dr. Henry Jefferson; John Phillips; Kirk Wiginton; Terrence Maiden. Not pictured: Jim Fite, Rev. Larry George, Yon Jorden, Alan Walne.

WE PROUDLY SUPPORT THESE LOCAL CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE
- Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce
- Dallas Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
- Oak Cliff Chamber of Commerce.

A nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, Methodist Health System is affiliated by covenant with the North Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church. To support any of Methodist’s vital healthcare and community programs, call Methodist Health System Foundation at 214-947-4555 or visit MethodistHealthSystem.org/Foundation.

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