

COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

GROWING

METHODIST UNVEILS NEW UNIT FOR CANCER PATIENTS IN SOUTHERN DALLAS

A state-of-the-art 12-bed oncology unit devoted to medical and surgical patients diagnosed with cancer made its debut at Methodist Charlton last summer.

The Dr. Stephen and Marilyn Mansfield Oncology Unit bears tribute to the health system's former president and chief executive officer and his wife.

The unit has the capacity to serve more than 700 people, both inpatient and outpatient, each year.

"Cancer is a real issue in the southern sector of Dallas, especially breast cancer," says Methodist Charlton President **Fran Laukaitis, MHA, BSN, RN, FACHE**. "It was clear to us that, in addition to our community education programs and outreach efforts, we needed a dedicated oncology unit."



EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT | EXPANSION UNDERWAY

Methodist Health System broke ground last March on a three-story building addition to Methodist Charlton's emergency department.

This expansion will almost double the size of the current ED and increase the number of beds from 45 to 70. The 40,000-square-foot facility will also provide larger waiting and patient triage areas that will seat and treat patients more efficiently and comfortably.

"The new \$71 million emergency department is the latest example of our continued dedication and service to the southern sector of Dallas," says **Jim Scoggin**, Chief Executive Officer, Methodist Health System. "This is a great day for Methodist and

for the special communities and citizens that make up the Best Southwest."

Slated to open in summer 2022, the new ED will include more trauma rooms, expanded ambulance bays, and new imaging equipment that will allow patients to be scanned without being moved for testing.

"The new ED project will include an entire shelled floor for additional patient rooms when needed," says **Pam Stoyanoff, MBA, CPA, FACHE**, President and Chief Operating Officer, Methodist Health System. "The building is also designed to expand vertically to accommodate at least four additional floors."

10,755

The number of people Methodist Health System employed throughout the Metroplex in 2021



\$134 million

How much Methodist Health System provided in unreimbursed charity care in fiscal year 2021



THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE EMPLOYED IN 2021 BY

Methodist Charlton Medical Center:

1,749



73,322

The number of emergency room visits at Methodist Charlton in 2021



\$1.5 billion

Methodist Health System's 2021 economic impact, including from income and benefits provided for employees

IN THE COMMUNITY

POPUP VACCINE CLINICS HELP PROTECT LOCAL COMMUNITIES

In 2021, Methodist Health System and Methodist Charlton held the first four popup vaccination clinics in Cedar Hill, Duncanville, DeSoto, and Lancaster.

These clinics were organized in partnership with school districts from the cities surrounding Methodist Charlton and potentially helped many who otherwise wouldn't have had access to this lifesaving vaccination.

Those vaccinated showed their appreciation to Methodist for bringing the clinics to their communities. Many of these neighborhoods have no public transportation, so having the clinics close to home removes barriers and increases access.



DRIVE-THRU EVENT HONORS BREAST CANCER SURVIVORS AND FIGHTERS

Despite the ongoing challenges of the pandemic, Methodist Charlton still found a way to uplift and show appreciation for breast cancer survivors with a drive-thru party last fall.

Nurses thanked and honored the attendees by passing out goodie bags, T-shirts, and cupcakes. There was even a photo booth to help everyone commemorate the joyful celebration. **Bindupriya Chandrasekaran, MD, MRCS**, new breast surgeon on the medical staff at Methodist Charlton, met the women and provided some words of encouragement.

"I'm here to support these ladies and let them know we will be here for them every step of the way," Dr. Chandrasekaran says. "This is also a good opportunity to educate other patients about getting a mammogram annually, and Methodist Charlton is the best place to get it done."



FOOD DRIVE HELPS FEED FAMILIES IN NEED

Methodist Charlton continues its community partnership with Cedar Hill Shares Food Pantry.

Last year, staff participated in a food drive and collected 200 gift cards, along with a generous bounty of food donations to give out to families in need.

They collected more than 630 cans of food, 200 packages of baked goods, 1,100 servings of cereal, and more than 100 pounds of other food items.



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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

STAFF EARNS LEVEL III DESIGNATION FOR TOP-NOTCH MATERNAL CARE

Methodist Charlton achieved Level III designation for maternal care. This recognition demonstrates the staff's commitment to high quality and safe care for our maternity patients.

Everyone on the women and children's services team played a role in helping the hospital achieve this level of care, including Maternal Program Manager **Lauri Rodgers, RNC-OB**, and Maternal Medical Director **Nicholas Perez, MD**, who ensured the unit met the necessary criteria.



BARIATRIC TEAM ACHIEVES NEW ACCREDITATION

In 2021, Methodist Charlton's bariatric team earned the hospital a new accreditation as a comprehensive center for bariatric surgery.

This recognition by the American College of Surgeons (ACS) and the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery (ASMBS) signifies Methodist's commitment to quality improvement and patient safety efforts.



NURSING TEAM EARNS COVETED MAGNET® STATUS

Methodist Charlton achieved a major milestone in 2021 when the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) awarded the hospital its Magnet® recognition for nursing excellence.

"It's a culmination of four years of hard work," says **Teresa Land, MBA, BSN, RN**, VP and Chief Nursing Officer at Methodist Charlton.

To earn Magnet® status, hospital leaders invested in improvement projects and went through a rigorous assessment process to demonstrate high performance in multiple categories. It all came to a head last summer when the staff took part in an extensive three-day virtual survey — a monumental undertaking

involving 85 meeting planners masterfully orchestrating Zoom sessions with the appraisers and in-person meetings with staff.

"This is not just a nursing designation. Everyone at Methodist Charlton took part in this and made it happen," Land says. "It's all in the name of patient care and having the best outcomes for patients."

Methodist Charlton President **Fran Laukaitis, RN, BSN, MHA, FACHE**, says it's a proud accomplishment not just for the hospital, but also for the health system as a whole.

"It means more than we can really put into words," she says. "It shows the support that we have from our health system who recognizes that this is important."

