



Mabry Center for Cancer Care
at the Regional Medical Center

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Radiation Oncologist Joins RMC in Partnership with MUSC Health

ORANGEBURG, SC - Paul G. Goetowski, MD recently joined the Mabry Center for Cancer Care, a department of the Regional Medical Center (RMC) as Director of Radiation Oncology. Dr. Goetowski, a faculty member with the Medical University of South Carolina will provide radiation oncology professional services exclusively to the RMC patient community.

As a board certified physician with the National Board of Medical Examiners and the American Board of Radiology, Dr. Goetowski's professional interests include therapeutic radiology and oncology. He has over 24 years of experience in radiation oncology.

Dr. Goetowski has an extensive background in developing and growing cancer centers. He started the Carolina Cancer Institute in Aiken, SC, and then went on to Carolina Regional Cancer Center in Myrtle Beach, SC. He comes to RMC from his most recent position with Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) where he started the southern Virginia satellite with Massey Cancer Center and VCU. "One of the advantages of my having been in other locations is that I've been able to get involved with several new advanced treatment techniques that I hope to bring to RMC," said Dr. Goetowski.

Dr. Goetowski has a passion for technology and how fast the advances in cancer treatment are changing as a result. "The technology demands in radiation oncology are much greater than they were even five or ten years ago," said Dr. Goetowski, "It allows us to be more efficient in many ways," which, for timely treatments for cancer can be critical.

"The Mabry Cancer Center has a lot more going on than most people realize," said Dr. Goetowski. One of his main goals through the affiliation with MUSC Health is to help patients stay at RMC to receive the quality of care they used to feel they had to go somewhere else to receive. While patients may have to go to Charleston for some specialized care; they could easily return and continue their treatment here in Orangeburg. "Patients here are very appreciative of a personal touch and the staff here are a phenomenal group, they want to grow," said Dr. Goetowski, "I think this affiliation is a very great idea."

He completed his residency in radiation oncology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and his internship in internal medicine at the University of North Dakota-Fargo. Dr. Goetowski received his medical degree from the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska. He has served in numerous community positions including: Medical Director of

Hitchcock Hospice, former President for the American Cancer Society-Aiken, and Vice-Chair of the Aiken Corporation Housing Commission.

Dr. Goetowski maintains professional memberships with the Radiologic Society of North America, the American College of Radiology, and the American Medical Association, the Southern Medical Association, and the South Carolina Medical Association.

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About the Regional Medical Center

The Regional Medical Center, in Orangeburg, S.C., is a 286-bed acute-care facility, employing more than 1,200 healthcare professionals. Serving Orangeburg and Calhoun counties and surrounding areas, RMC is accredited by The Joint Commission and has Advanced Certification as a Primary Stroke Center. RMC offers a 24-hour emergency department and a full-range of high-quality medical services such as same day surgery, orthopaedics, obstetrics, cardiology, cancer care, dialysis access and the latest in diagnostic imaging. The Regional Medical Center also operates nine Primary Care practices, three Cardiology practices, an Orthopaedics practice, two Surgery practices, an Internal medicine practice, an Internal Medicine/Gastroenterology practice, and an Obstetrics/Gynecology practice, as well as after-hours Urgent Care with physician, lab and X-Ray in Santee and Bamberg. RMC's Mobile Services van provides digital mammography throughout the region. For more information, visit www.trmchealth.org.

About the Regional Medical Center and MUSC Health Affiliation

RMC recently affiliated with MUSC Health, the most nationally recognized and comprehensive academic teaching facility in S.C., to further enhance select healthcare services for patients in the region. Current collaborations include telestroke, cancer treatment and surgical weight loss programs with future planned collaborations in heart, orthopaedic and behavioral health care. Through the affiliation RMC patients and referring physicians receive priority access to MUSC Medical Center should their treatment be required in Charleston. For more information, visit www.muschealth.org/affiliations/rmc/

About the Mabry Center for Cancer Care at RMC

The Mabry Center for Cancer Care is an outpatient treatment facility that combines the latest in chemotherapy and radiation treatments with emotional support and encouragement to give patients every advantage in their fight against cancer. For more than 20 years the Mabry Center has helped many make the journey from cancer patient to cancer survivor, and it has become a source of hope for cancer patients and their families throughout the region. The RMC's cancer program was granted the Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons' Three-Year Accreditation, which is only given to facilities that have voluntarily committed to providing the highest level of quality cancer care and that undergo a rigorous evaluation process and performance review. For more information, visit www.trmchealth.org/services/cancer_care.