



Providence Newberg Health Foundation

Janelle Yutzie, M.D., points to the SAVI SCOUT reflector that is inserted into cancerous breast tissue and used to guide surgeons to tumors and lesions.

New equipment provides best option for care to breast cancer patients

In 2022, generous donations to Providence Newberg Health Foundation funded a SAVI Scout Radar Localization System, which enables surgical oncologists to perform breast cancer surgery that is less traumatic for patients.

The SAVI SCOUT is a small metallic reflector (about the size of a grain of rice) that a radiologist places inside the cancerous breast tissue before surgery. The reflector is so small the patient doesn't feel it. This clinically proven, FDA-approved, wire-free approach uses a radar signature to detect the reflector, guiding surgeons to tumors and breast lesions.

"Breast cancer patients are well informed. They tend to participate in online chats and support groups," said Janelle Yutzie, M.D., a breast cancer surgeon who practices at Providence Newberg Medical Center. "They know what's out there and what their options are. Without this equipment, a patient might go to another facility or health care provider, and once that happens, they don't return to us."

Using the SAVI SCOUT, Dr. Yutzie can make smaller incisions, be more precise and save more of the patient's healthy breast tissue. It also means a less painful and quicker recovery. "Our goal is to elevate exceptional care, close to home. Having the SAVI SCOUT Radar Localization System is a huge plus for Providence Newberg, allowing us to offer the best possible care for our breast cancer patients. We now have everything that larger hospitals are able to offer their breast cancer patients."

2022 Highlights

Pickleball tournament raises money for kids

Kathy and Brian Bellairs toured Providence Children's Development Institute at Providence Newberg Medical Center and were impressed with the programs and support provided to children with developmental needs. "We met an adorable boy and saw his face light up when he saw the wonderful therapists who helped him learn to walk," said Kathy. The Bellairs, who have two pickleball courts on their property, were inspired to host a pickleball tournament to raise money for the institute. More than 30 players participated, raising over \$21,070 for the institute's services in Newberg.

Better testing leads to better hearing

Many people with hearing loss underestimate how much they are missing. Thanks to your support, the audiology department at Providence Newberg has a new piece of equipment that allows the audiologist to measure hearing in real time and with greater accuracy than before. With the old equipment, "we could only test one ear at a time," said Sarah Fitch, Au.D., regional lead audiologist. "Now we can test both ears simultaneously, providing better and faster care to the patient." She can also show them on the computer screen where they are experiencing sound loss. "It is a game-changer."



2022 total dollars raised by fund

