

# Tour the Future of Cancer Care

In December 2016 Kettering Health Network welcomed the first patients to its new, world-class cancer center. Each floor and space within the building was designed by cancer patients, survivors, families, physicians, and clinicians who contributed their knowledge and experience to create the future of cancer care.



## Welcome & Registration

Floor-to-ceiling windows, friendly color palettes, and natural elements like water features and fireplaces help create a soothing and welcoming atmosphere.



## Radiation Oncology

The radiation-oncology suite was strategically placed on the first floor at the rear of the building to allow for convenient and efficient technology upgrades and additions. Design decisions were made to simultaneously accommodate the most advanced technology as well as patient needs.

“We have all the latest cutting-edge technology to track, target, and kill tumors in any part of the body, sparing normal healthy tissue,” says

**E. Ronald Hale, MD, MPH**, radiation oncology network medical director. “While there are other



machines that can do the same thing, our advanced treatment center can deliver the same knock-out punch to a tumor in under two minutes, where an older machine like the CyberKnife would take about two hours.”

## Kettering Breast Evaluation Center

Having a full-service breast evaluation center onsite with technology like 3D Mammography and ultrasound-guided biopsies offers women access to the highest level of preventative care and diagnostics. The convenient location also enables rapid referral to surgeons in the same building.

## Specialty Pharmacy

A specialty pharmacy manages filling and distribution of all cancer medicines and has designated consult spaces for patients and family members.

## Ancillary Services

Kettering Health Network places an emphasis on mind, body, and spirit in health and wellness and has brought in additional services to support the patient and their family in achieving whole health.

A meditation chapel is available 24/7 for patients, care-givers, and staff; a café offers menu items



specifically selected to be delicious, nutritious, and appealing for patients; and a boutique and spa provides patients the ability to look and feel their best while undergoing treatment. A multi-purpose conference space allows for staff and physicians to collaborate and offers space for patients and family members to attend classes relevant to treatment.



## 2nd 3rd floors

### Space to Grow

Some specialties have already been identified as additions, but this space was intentionally made available to adapt and strategically bring in practices and technology.

## 4th floor

### Provider Offices

Specialties from gynecological oncology to surgical oncology along with social workers, physical therapists, nutritional medicine, and other patient support staff can be found on this floor.

“All of these services are brought into the same building, understanding that we are providing a continuum of care,” Dr. Hale says. “Diagnosis, treatment, recovery and survivorship are all important in maximizing health outcomes.”

“Having our physicians in one building is helping us achieve the collaboration and communication we hoped for,” says Elizabeth Garrison, executive director of Kettering Health Network Oncology Service Line. “Just last week, one of our surgeons came down the hall to discuss a shared patient with a medical oncologist. As she was leaving, she popped her head in my office and said,

‘Elizabeth.... It’s working!’ That is an example of design success. We are proving that giving our clinical care team easy access to each other translates into a better experience for the patient.”

## 5th floor

### Infusion Services

46 state-of-the-art private and semi-private infusion bays have the ability to be opened up for increased patient community. A service of Grandview, the infusion space offers floor-to-ceiling windows, beautiful views, and touches that make the area feel more like a home environment than a medical facility.

Nursing bays are near patients but not immediately next to them, creating a quieter, more relaxed environment.

The infusion pharmacy is also located on this floor. It is the largest in the state of Ohio and the close proximity allows for efficient distribution of the correct drug to the correct patient in a timely manner.

“The cancer center is a beautiful combination of perfect form and perfect function coming together,” says Dr. Hale. “When creating it, one wasn’t more important than the other—both had to be balanced.”

