

Atrium Health Navicent Breast Care Center Designated as Breast Imaging Center of Excellence

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MACON, Ga., Sept. 12, 2023 – The American College of Radiology’s (ACR) Commission on Quality and Safety and the Commission on Breast Imaging have designated Atrium Health Navicent Breast Care Center as a Breast Imaging Center of Excellence. Located at Atrium Health Navicent Peyton Anderson Cancer Center and Atrium Health Navicent The Medical Center in Macon, Atrium Health Navicent Breast Care Center provides diagnostic imaging services used both in the prevention and treatment of breast cancer.

By naming a facility as a Breast Imaging Centers of Excellence, ACR recognizes that the breast imaging centers have earned accreditation in mammography, stereotactic breast biopsy, breast ultrasound, ultrasound-guided breast biopsy and MRI.

Peer-review evaluations, conducted in each breast imaging modality by board-certified physicians and medical physicists, confirm each facility has achieved high practice standards in image quality, personnel qualifications, facility equipment, quality control procedures and quality assurance programs.

“This designation recognizes that Atrium Health Navicent has met the high standards of the American College of Radiology for quality and safety in medical imaging and radiation oncology treatment. Patients can trust that they will receive excellent diagnostic care when they come to Atrium Health Navicent,” said Dr. Paul Dale, chief of surgical oncology for Atrium Health Navicent and medical director for Atrium Health Navicent Peyton Anderson Cancer Center.

Atrium Health Navicent offers certified breast health imaging navigators who work with a multidisciplinary team to ensure patients receive comprehensive breast health services from screening to diagnostic imaging and any required imaging follow-up needed for treatment.

Additionally, patients with dense breast tissue or difficult-to-read mammograms have access to secondary screening using Molecular Breast Imaging. Atrium Health Navicent is one of only a few dozen centers in the nation that provide this cutting-edge technology.

High-risk genetic screening and counseling is also offered.

Atrium Health Navicent Breast Care Center is also accredited by the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers and is a Certified Quality Breast Center of Excellence by the National Consortium of Breast Centers National Quality Measures for Breast Centers.

The ACR is a national professional organization serving more than 42,000 radiologists, radiation oncologists, nuclear medicine physicians and medical physicists with programs focusing on the practice of medical imaging and radiation oncology and the delivery of comprehensive health care services. ACR accreditation is recognized as the gold standard in medical imaging. Since 1987, ACR has accredited more than 39,000 facilities in nine imaging modalities, three designation programs and one Center of Excellence program.

To schedule a mammogram at Atrium Health Navicent, call 478-633-7020.

About Atrium Health Navicent

Atrium Health Navicent is the leading provider of health care in central and south Georgia and is committed to its mission of elevating health and well-being through compassionate care. Atrium Health Navicent is part of [Advocate Health](#), which is headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina, and is the third-largest nonprofit health system in the United States, created from the combination of Atrium Health and Advocate Aurora Health. Atrium Health Navicent provides high-quality, personalized care in 53 specialties at more than 50 facilities throughout the region. As part of the largest, integrated,

nonprofit health system in the Southeast, it is also able to tap into some of the nation's leading medical experts and specialists with Atrium Health, allowing it to provide the best care close to home – including advanced innovations in virtual medicine and care. Throughout its 125-year history in the community, Atrium Health Navicent has remained dedicated to enhancing health and wellness for individuals throughout the region through nationally recognized quality care, community health initiatives and collaborative partnerships. It is also one of the leading teaching hospitals in the region, helping to ensure viability for rural health care for the next generation. For more information, please visit www.NavicentHealth.org.

About Advocate Health

[Advocate Health](#) is the third-largest nonprofit integrated health system in the United States – created from the combination of Advocate Aurora Health and [Atrium Health](#). Providing care under the names [Advocate Health Care](#) in Illinois, Atrium Health in the Carolinas, Georgia and Alabama, and [Aurora Health Care](#) in Wisconsin, Advocate Health is a national leader in clinical innovation, health outcomes, consumer experience and value-based care, with [Wake Forest University School of Medicine](#) serving as the academic core of the enterprise. Headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina, Advocate Health serves nearly 6 million patients and is engaged in hundreds of clinical trials and research studies. It is nationally recognized for its expertise in cardiology, neurosciences, oncology, pediatrics and rehabilitation, as well as organ transplants, burn treatments and specialized musculoskeletal programs. Advocate Health employs nearly 150,000 team members across 67 hospitals and over 1,000 care locations and offers one of the nation's largest graduate medical education programs with over 2,000 residents and fellows across more than 200 programs. Committed to equitable care for all, Advocate Health provides nearly \$5 billion in annual community benefits.

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