

About GBMC

- Greater Baltimore Medical Center was founded in 1965 when The Hospital for the Women of Maryland in Baltimore City and The Presbyterian Eye, Ear and Throat Charity Hospital merged.
- The 292-bed Medical Center, located on a beautiful suburban campus, serves nearly 22,000 inpatients annually and provides approximately 60,000 emergency room visits.
- The GBMC campus also includes three medical office buildings – Physicians Pavilion East, Physicians Pavilion West, and Physicians Pavilion North. Additionally, GBMC operates several satellite patient care facilities across Baltimore County – GBMC @ Hereford, and physician practices in Hunt Manor (Phoenix/Jacksonville area), Hunt Valley and Owings Mills.
- Hospice of Baltimore, the largest not-for-profit hospice in Maryland, has provided care to more than 13,000 terminally ill individuals in Baltimore, Carroll, Harford and Howard counties & Baltimore City since 1994. The Gilchrist Center for Hospice Care is a 24-bed inpatient facility located on the GBMC campus.
- Founded in 1987, the GBMC Foundation coordinates fundraising efforts to benefit patient care and services at GBMC including new facilities, equipment and technology.
- GBMC is among the largest private-sector employers in Baltimore County, with approximately 3,000 FTEs.
- More than 800 members of the community are GBMC volunteers.

What's New?

- GBMC is one of only nine Maryland hospitals earning a ranking in the 2007 *U.S. News & World Report* "America's Best Hospitals." GBMC earned a #45 ranking in the Ear, Nose, Throat category.
- GBMC's Primary Stroke Center was accredited by the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems (2007) and the Joint Commission (2006).
- All of GBMC's Hyperbaric Medicine Unit nurses earned national certification. (2007)
- Greater Baltimore Neurological Associates, a GBMC owned practice, is one of only two FDA-approved sites on the East Coast for the Mobi-C disc replacement clinical trial. (2006)

GBMC "Firsts"

- GBMC surgeons performed the first da Vinci[®] robot-assisted bladder cancer surgery (2007) and gynecologic surgery (2006) at a community (non-academic) hospital in the Mid-Atlantic (MD, DC, DE and VA) region.
- GBMC was the first community hospital to join the National Surgical Quality Improvement Program. (2006)
- GBMC was the first hospital in metropolitan Baltimore to implement a smoke-free campus. (2005)
- A GBMC surgeon performed Maryland's first FDA-approved X-Stop surgery to treat lumbar spinal stenosis. (2005)
- A GBMC surgeon performed the first procedure in the United States to treat lower back and leg pain using the Dynesys Spinal System. (2003)

GBMC Is A Leader

Surgery:

- GBMC performs more total surgical procedures than any community hospital in the state, (43,590 in FY 2006) and is second overall in the state.
- GBMC's Comprehensive Obesity Management Program was named a Center of Excellence by the American Society for Bariatric Surgery. (2005)
- GBMC's Wound Care Center is the largest in the national Wound Care Centers, Inc. network and its 'days to heal' average of 28 days far outperforms the industry standard of 45 days.

Oncology:

- GBMC was ranked among the top 50 cancer programs in the United States according to the *U.S. News & World Report* "America's Best Hospitals" listing in 2006, 2005, 2001, and 1999.
- GBMC's oncology program received a Three-Year Approval With Commendation from the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer. (2006)
- The GBMC Cancer Center is home to Maryland's busiest community hospital oncology program, with nearly 1,900 new cancer cases in 2006.
- GBMC's Cancer Center also typically has more than 60 active research and treatment clinical trials ongoing at any one time.

Women's Services:

- GBMC is consistently ranked among the top hospitals in Central Maryland for births, averaging approximately 4,600 babies born each year.
- In addition to regular labor & delivery and post-partum care areas, GBMC has an 11-bed High-Risk Obstetric Unit designed for expectant mothers who are facing life-threatening complications with pregnancy.
- GBMC offers a Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, doula services, and is home to the Lactation Station, a retail store designed solely for the special needs of the "nursing" family and the only such store on a hospital campus in Baltimore.
- GBMC offers a dedicated surgical suite for women and is selected by women more than any other hospital in Maryland for inpatient and same-day surgeries combined.
- GBMC was named "Best Maternity Hospital" by the readers of *Maryland Family Magazine* for the fourth consecutive year. (2005)

Other

- GBMC has also been ranked in *U.S. News & World Report* "America's Best Hospitals" in 2005 (Digestive Disorders), 2001 (Gynecology and Digestive Disorders), 1998 (Otolaryngology) and 1997 (Gynecology).
- GBMC was one of the first in Maryland to offer a combined Adult and Pediatric Emergency Department which employs separate dedicated nursing and physician staff to care for children and adults. The ED also offers an Urgent Care Center for less serious injuries, and the PEDS ED area features eight private inpatient rooms and a board-certified pediatrician on-site around-the-clock.

For more information, visit www.gbmc.org

The *Mission* of GBMC HealthCare is to provide medical care and service of the highest quality to *each patient* with a *Vision* to be the *leading* community medical center in Maryland, committed to medical, professional and community education, and dedicated to the GREATER *Values* of Respect, Excellence, Accountability, Teamwork, Ethical Behavior and Results.