

## Medical Oncology/Hematology Services

St. Joseph Regional Medical Center offers access to comprehensive cancer treatments provided by a multidisciplinary team of cancer specialists. In addition to professional collaboration, we have access to the latest innovative treatments and state-of-the-art equipment. We offer coordination with other centers for clinical trials. Patient comfort and well being are of primary focus and importance. For treatment that goes beyond just medicine, come to the only cancer treatment center within a 100 mile radius. We are proud to be the only Commission on Cancer/American College of Surgeons Accredited Community Cancer Center in the region.



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## Satellite Clinics

Two Satellite Clinics have been established to serve patients in outlying areas. Clinic locations are at Gritman Medical Center-Moscow, and Pullman Regional Hospital-Pullman.

## Radiation Oncology Services

Radiation Therapy is often an integral part of a comprehensive cancer treatment plan. St. Joseph Radiation Oncology Center collaborates with Medical Oncology Services when a team approach is needed.

### SERVICES INCLUDE:

- ✦ Two linear accelerators provide radiation treatment.
- ✦ CT (Computerized Tomography) Scanner, simulator, and three dimensional treatment planning.
- ✦ External beam irradiation, including electron boost for breast cancer lesions and superficial radiation therapy for skin cancer.
- ✦ Radioactive seed implants for prostate cancer.
- ✦ IMRT (Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy) - delivers higher radiation doses directly to cancer cells while sparing more of the surrounding healthy tissues.
- ✦ Portal Imaging provides instant digital images for treatment verifications.
- ✦ PET/CT (Positron Emission Tomography) is used in combination with CT to identify disease states in the body.

## Patient Care Team

“Total Patient Care” is the goal of the entire healthcare team. The team’s emphasis is on health education, emotional support, problem-solving, and goal-setting with patients and their families as active participants in treatment planning.

### The Oncology Team includes: BOARD CERTIFIED PHYSICIANS



Gerardo Midence, MD  
Oncology, Hospice & Palliative Medicine.  
Hematology Board Eligible



Sushma Pant, MD  
Oncology, Hospice & Palliative Medicine



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Radiation Oncology



Katrina Popham, MD  
Oncology/Hematology

## The Oncology Team

### CHEMOTHERAPY AND BIOTHERAPY TRAINED REGISTERED NURSES-

Oncology Nurses are on the front lines of chemotherapy delivery, providing education, side effect management and emotional support to patients and their families.

**PHYSICIST-** Assures the correct radiation treatment is given by calibrating the machines and calculating doses.

**DOSIMETRIST-** Specializes in the operation of radiation equipment and calculations of dosing in cooperation with Physicist and Oncologist.

**RADIATION THERAPISTS-** Operate the radiation therapy machine during treatments.

**LICENSED SOCIAL WORKER-** Provides education re: cancer issues, counsel and emotional support, referrals to community resources and support services, assistance with financial applications, medical forms, and Advance Directives.

**REGISTERED DIETICIAN-** Provides education re: nutritional issues and helps identify diets that might maintain strength, improve tolerance to treatments, and decrease adverse side effects of treatment.

**PHARMACIST-** Onsite Pharmacy Staff prepares chemotherapy and treatment related medications.

**FINANCIAL ADVOCATE-** Helps access financial assistance programs for those who meet financial eligibility criteria.

## Clinical Trials

Cancer Treatment Clinical Trials are research studies used to find the best way to treat people with cancer. Each clinical trial has a set of rules or eligibility criteria that patients must meet in order to be enrolled.

We want our patients to have access to the very best treatment there is to offer. We also want them to have access to clinical trials if they are interested in participating.

To obtain more information on clinical trials, consult with your physician, or visit the National Cancer Institute website at: [www.cancer.gov](http://www.cancer.gov).

## Cancer Registry

This registry collects demographics, diagnostic, treatment and survival information on every patient diagnosed and/or treated with cancer at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center. This information can provide valuable data for clinical studies and educational functions. It also provides a resource for evaluation of treatment approaches and outcomes.

## Community Outreach

St. Joseph Regional Medical Center strives to promote a team effort between communities in enhancing the care of oncology patients and their quality of life. We also strive to increase public awareness regarding cancer prevention and early detection.

## Carondelet House

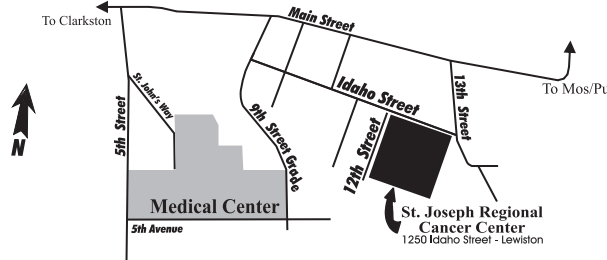
Carondelet House is a housing option available to patients and their families, who might need to travel long distances to receive treatment.

Donations are accepted and enable us to maintain this important resource for the community.

Carondelet House is located near the Medical Center. For reservation information call St. Joseph Regional Medical Center-Social Services Department, 208-799-5330 or SJRMC Switchboard, 208-743-2511.

## How to find the Cancer Center

**St. Joseph Regional Cancer Center**  
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**Moscow**  
**SJRCM Oncology Satellite Clinic**  
Gritman Medical Center  
700 S. Main Street  
Moscow, ID 83843  
For Information Call: 208-743-7427

**Pullman**  
**SJRCM Oncology Satellite Clinic**  
Pullman Regional Hospital  
835 S.E. Bishop Blvd  
Pullman, WA 99163  
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**Social Services**  
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Commitment to Wellness,  
and Compassion are helping  
to preserve lives.  
Hope and Healing.*