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Virginia Hospital Center's Department of Radiation Oncology is the only facility in the Washington, DC area to provide comprehensive radiation therapy services, including treatment with the CyberKnife®, external beam, and high dose rate brachytherapy, and receive the highest accreditation through the American College of Radiology and the American Society of Radiation Oncology.



Rendering of future radiation oncology treatment suite

Foundation Receives \$2.2 Million Lead Gift to Fund Expansion of Radiation Oncology

To support the expansion of the nationally-accredited Department of Radiation Oncology at Virginia Hospital Center, Russell and Joan Hitt have made an historic gift to the Hospital of \$2.2 million, one of the largest gifts ever received by Virginia Hospital Center in its over 65-year history. "Increasing access to advanced cancer treatments is a cause that is very important to my family and our community," said Russell Hitt. "We are proud to support Virginia Hospital Center and are excited to play an important role in leading this initiative."

The Hitt family has made the lead gift in the recently launched Fund for Radiation Oncology Campaign. Chaired by Michael and Vicki Foster, the campaign will support the \$7 million expansion of Radiation Oncology, slated to break ground later this year and be completed in 2013.

The expansion will include the addition of a new radiation oncology treatment suite and new linear accelerator (LINAC), which delivers radiation treatment. Virginia Hospital Center will become the only Hospital in northern Virginia to have this most technologically advanced linear accelerator, representing a major advancement in oncology treatment.

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