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New endoscopy center opens at Hamilton Medical Center

DALTON, Ga. (July 22, 2019) – Hamilton Health Care System began seeing patients in its new, state-of-the-art Bandy Endoscopy Center on July 22. The unit is set up for gastrointestinal endoscopy and bronchoscopy.

“We’re excited about our new facility!” said Ladonna Gray, endoscopy operations manager. “It’s designed with the patient in mind.”

The new center includes four additional procedure suites, which doubles the unit’s capacity, and 16 private patient rooms for patient comfort.

“Patients will really appreciate the ease of being dropped off and picked up at a dedicated entrance, and the privacy we provide throughout their experience,” said Terri Brown, director of Endoscopy and Medical Services.

Using advanced equipment, including the Olympus 190 series endoscopy system and GE Carescape B450 patient monitoring system, the physicians and staff members are focused on the best outcomes.

The entrance to the new facility is located near the corner of Memorial and Broadrick drives.

Colorectal cancer is sometimes termed the silent killer, often developing with no symptoms. A screening colonoscopy is recommended at age 50 or earlier for those who have increased risk factors.

“The good news is that colorectal cancer is often curable if found in the early stages,” said Ganesh Aswath, MD, Hamilton Physician Group – Gastroenterology. “Removing polyps the polyp from turning into cancer.”

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Photo: Hamilton Medical Center endoscopy staff members celebrated the opening of the new Bandy Endoscopy Center on Monday. Pictured are some endoscopy staff members.

