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Comprehensive Hematology Services Available at Trinitas Cancer Center

Convenient Union, NJ office also open

for initial consult and follow-up exam visits

Elizabeth, NJ The recent hiring of two hematology (blood disease) specialists brings added strength to the comprehensive services at the Trinitas Comprehensive Cancer Center (TCCC). The offices of three highly skilled and compassionate, board-certified hematology specialists are located in the Trinitas Comprehensive Cancer Center where hematology patients can benefit from a comprehensive staff, the latest treatments and technology, and a warm and caring environment that is more like a hotel than a hospital. To provide even more accessibility for Union County, hematology patients can also go to the Trinitas satellite office in Union for initial consult and follow-up exam visits.

Even though most hematological disorders are not cancers, hematology physicians are usually trained and experienced in treating cancers in addition to blood disorders. The most commonly treated hematological diseases are leukemia, anemia and thrombocytopenia.

“Patients benefit from our distinctive situation at the Trinitas Cancer Center,” says William W. Kessler MD, Division Chief, Oncology and Teaching Director at Trinitas. “We have a core group of three highly skilled, board certified physicians who

specialize in both oncology and hematology. Although most hematological disorders are not cancers, they can sometimes

progress into cancer. Our dual specialties help us more effectively monitor our patients’ conditions and catch the cancer early

if it happens. We have the latest medical resources and conveniences for patients, right here at the Cancer Center. Couple that

with our outstanding and compassionate staff and it’s an ideal option for our patients.”

The TCCC team of specialists includes Dr. Kessler who is board certified in internal medicine, hematology and medical oncology. He has also been serving as the Division Chief of Oncology and Teaching Director at Trinitas Hospital since 1985. Dr. Kessler

is a graduate of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, NY. Vincent E. Salerno, MD, joined the Trinitas Comprehensive Cancer Center in April 2006. He was previously a partner of Hematology & Oncology Associates of New Jersey in Union. He

is board-certified in medical oncology, hematology and internal medicine. Dr. Salerno did his fellowship in hematology-oncology

at Saint Vincent’s Hospital in New York and has been an associate professor at the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and

at New York Medical College. Gerardo Capo, MD, joined Trinitas in August 2006 after completing fellowships at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and St. Vincent’s Hospital, both in Manhattan. He has collaborated on research papers on hematology

and patients with HIV. He is board certified in medical oncology, hematology, and internal medicine. Dr. Capó is also fluent in Spanish, as are many of the nurses and staff. Many of the educational resources and patient education materials at the Comprehensive Cancer Center are also available in Spanish.

“The expansion of the hematological services at the Comprehensive Cancer Center is just another step toward our continuing

goal of providing outstanding care for our local community and the region,” said Gary S. Horan, FACHE, President and CEO

of Trinitas Hospital. “Treatment is provided under the skilled supervision of medical specialists along with certified and trained nurses, nutritionists and support services in order to provide accessible, personalized and compassionate care for people with hematological disorders.”

For information on hematology services at Trinitas Comprehensive Cancer Center, call (908) 994-8000.

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About Trinitas Comprehensive Cancer Center

Trinitas Comprehensive Cancer Center (TCCC) is located in a new 35,000-square-foot, five-story building on the campus of Trinitas Hospital. The Center offers the most advanced technology available to cancer patients, including the first Trilogy Linear Accelerator for radiation therapy in New Jersey. Board-certified physicians, nurses and allied health professionals are passionate in their fight against cancer and their mission to provide excellent patient care. The medical oncology treatment area and infusion center includes 15 first-class private infusion rooms. Licensed state-of-the-art laboratory and pharmacy services are all located on-site. With an interior design reminiscent of a fine hotel, the Trinitas Comprehensive Cancer Center offers patients and their companions a supportive and healing atmosphere. The Center’s professional services also include nutritional, psychosocial, pain management, and clinical trials.

About Trinitas Hospital

Trinitas Hospital is a full service healthcare facility and a Catholic teaching hospital sponsored by the Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth in partnership with Elizabethtown Healthcare Foundation, serving those who live and work in Eastern and Central Union County. It is the result of the merger of Elizabeth General Medical Center and St. Elizabeth Hospital in January, 2000. Operating on two major campuses, Trinitas Hospital offers 531 beds, including a 120-bed extended care center, and a comprehensive cancer center. Trinitas Hospital provides comprehensive medical/surgical services, adult and child/adolescent psychiatric care, a bloodless medicine/surgery program, cardiac care, diabetes management, emergency services, inpatient pediatric care, maternal/child health services including a high-risk newborn nursery, renal services, senior services, a sleep disorders center, and a wound healing center. For further information about Trinitas Hospital, visit the hospital’s website, www.TrinitasHospital.org