



Jan. 6, 2023

Porter Parking Changes

To make way for a new Behavioral Health Center, portions of Lots C and L on the Porter campus are now closed. Three additional parking options will be available to healers:

- The Physicians and Surgeons Building Parking Lot
- Trinity Baptist Church Parking Lot
- Cleveland County Fairgrounds Parking Lot

Click here to view the [Healer Hub post with maps.](#)

Thank you for your patience. Security is also driving through these lots and can assist with issues. Their number is 405-307-1482.

Volunteer at Norman Regional

It's a new year and a great time to get involved! If you know an adult interested in volunteering, please encourage them to attend one of the Auxiliary's recruitment events this month!

As an incentive - if you recruit a new volunteer and they remain active for six months, you'll receive a \$25 gift card to the Daily Grind or Gift Shop. Just make sure they list you as a reference when they apply.

The volunteer application can be found on our webpage: <https://www.normanregional.com/volunteer-opportunities>

Registration Open for 2023 OKC Memorial Marathon

Norman Regional is proud to pay a portion of a healer's and one household member's registration fee for the OKC Memorial Marathon. (Racers must be over the age of 18.)

OU Health and Norman Regional Partnering to Bring Enhanced Cancer Services to Norman



This week, a joint press conference was held to announce a new partnership. OU Health and Norman Regional are partnering to bring enhanced cancer services to Norman by building a new cancer care facility, providing the expertise and convenience of Oklahoma's only National Cancer Institute-Designated Cancer Center, OU Health Stephenson Cancer Center, to the residents of the south metro and south central Oklahoma.

The planned 50,000-square-foot facility will be named OU Health Stephenson Cancer Center at Norman Regional. The state-of-art facility will combine the full spectrum of medical oncology and radiation oncology services under one roof on the newly modernized Norman Regional HealthPlex campus. It will include two advanced linear accelerators to provide the more targeted and precise radiation therapy treatment, as well as advanced diagnostic imaging services to improve detection and monitoring of treatment results. The facility is scheduled for completion in 2025.

"This is an exciting day for our two health systems as we join together to offer high-quality, research-driven cancer care to people in Norman and from across southern Oklahoma," said Richard Lofgren, M.D., MPH, president and CEO of OU Health. "We are pleased to welcome Norman's excellent oncologists to the OU Health team and to partner with them to provide National Cancer Institute-level care that is driven by research. This is a natural evolution for the long-standing relationship of our health systems."

Beginning in January 2023, OU Health Stephenson Cancer Center will assume operations and management of Norman Regional's existing medical oncology services at the Porter Medical Oncology Clinic. In 2025,

The Run to Remember is more than a race: it's a celebration of life that unites people from around the world. The Run to Remember brings together runners and spectators from around the world to honor those who were killed, those who survived and those who changed forever in the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing. Each race begins with 168 seconds of silence in honor of those who were killed.

In 2023, the 5K will be on Saturday, April 29. The Full Marathon, Half Marathon, and Relay Team on Sunday, April 30.

[Click here](#) for instructions to register and pricing!

2023 Jackpot Challenge

Join the Norman Regional Health System Jackpot Challenge and stay motivated to get healthy! This 12-week challenge is the perfect opportunity to lose some weight, win some money, and have fun! The challenge kicks off January 27, 2023.

[Click here for more information and](#) to sign up for only \$70! Everyone's registration fee goes into the pot. The more participants, the bigger the pot! Create a team of 4-9 of your co-healers, family, or friends. Every team that averages a 6% weight loss wins!

with the opening of the new facility, Stephenson will begin providing radiation oncology services in partnership with Norman Regional. This provides patients access to a larger range of expertise.



The new cancer facility will be located on the east side of the pond, south of the hospital.

Norman Regional has a long history of excellence in cancer care. Partnering with Stephenson Cancer Center will elevate those services in a variety of ways and allow patients to receive convenient care closer to their homes.

In addition to cancer treatments, patients in Norman will have access to other services offered through a National Cancer Institute-Designated Cancer Center, including clinical trials studying drugs for many types and stages of cancer. Phase I clinical trials, in which humans receive a drug for the first time, will continue to be offered only at Stephenson Cancer Center in Oklahoma City. However, with the opening of the new facility, patients can enroll in Phase II and III clinical trials and receive their care in Norman.



Oncologists Kristin Thorp, MD; Namali Pierson, MD; Shari Jones, MD and Shannon Haenel, DO.

Norman Regional also will offer patients an expanded range of supportive care services through Stephenson Cancer Center. This includes counseling services specific to cancer patients, nutritional services to support the body through cancer treatment,

palliative care to manage cancer-related symptoms, cancer rehabilitation to recover function, and much more.

You can also watch a recap of the press conference produced by OU Health by [clicking here](#).

I understand you may have questions about this change. Please send any questions to InspireHealth@nrh-ok.com. Our team is compiling a list of frequently asked questions and will send it out within the next two weeks.

Be Well,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richie Splitt".

*President & Chief Executive Officer
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