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## **UAMS Health Opens New Urology Center**

LITTLE ROCK — The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) today opened a new Urology Center in Premier Medical Plaza at 10915 Rodney Parham Road in west Little Rock.

"Expanding into this west Little Rock location helps UAMS fulfill our mission to improve the health and well-being of all Arkansans by making services more readily available," said Cam Patterson, M.D., MBA, UAMS chancellor and CEO of UAMS Health. "One of the attractions of this site is its ample parking, easy access to public transportation and convenient location right off Interstate 430. We are committed to making health care more accessible in all forms."

The new Urology Center will offer specialized treatment for complex kidney stones, reconstruction of the urinary system and men's health, specifically erectile dysfunction, along with top-quality routine urology services. UAMS urologists at the Urology Center will provide comprehensive state-of-the-art urologic care with endoscopic, robotic, laparoscopic and open surgery techniques.

"Our team offers treatments not available anywhere else in Arkansas, and we are pleased these services are now more convenient for our patients," said Timothy Langford, M.D., chair of the Department of Urology in the UAMS College of Medicine. "This facility was designed with patients in mind. They can now receive care from our innovative team of expert urologists with a full suite of services available in a single location."

In addition to the Urology Clinic opening today, the 32,000-square-foot UAMS Health Urology Center includes an Imaging Center and a Surgery & Interventional Radiology Suite scheduled to open in the coming months. The Urology Clinic includes four procedure rooms and 15 exam rooms, and the surgical suite has two operating rooms along with pre-op and recovery areas.

"The new Urology Center is just one component of our expanding UAMS Health system," said Michelle W. Krause, M.D., MPH, senior vice chancellor for UAMS Health and chief

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executive officer for UAMS Medical Center. "We are also opening a new orthopedic and surgical hospital, a new, expanded Radiation Oncology Center with Arkansas' first Proton Center, and a regional campus in El Dorado. It's an exciting time to be part of the growing Team UAMS as we bring the latest in medical technology and techniques to Arkansas."

Premier Medical Plaza was redeveloped by Premier Gastroenterology Associates and Moses Tucker Partners in 2019. The \$50 million adaptive reuse development turned the former K-Mart store into a first-class medical facility. Clark Contractors of Little Rock served as general contractor for the UAMS Health facilities, WER Architects/Planners of Little Rock provided architectural services, and financing for the project was provided by First Security Bank of Searcy.

UAMS is the state's only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; a hospital; a main campus in Little Rock; a Northwest Arkansas regional campus in Fayetteville; a statewide network of regional campuses; and seven institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging, Translational Research Institute and Institute for Digital Health & Innovation. UAMS includes UAMS Health, a statewide health system that encompasses all of UAMS' clinical enterprise. UAMS is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. UAMS has 3,240 students, 913 medical residents and fellows, and five dental residents. It is the state's largest public employer with more than 11,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses, Arkansas Children's, the VA Medical Center and Baptist Health. Visit www.uams.edu or www.uamshealth.com. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube or Instagram.



