

## Welcome to the Emily Couric Clinical Cancer Center

**W**hen we look into the future, we see men, women and children whose lives are untouched by cancer. Until that day, we know that thousands of Virginians will be diagnosed every year with some form of this disease. For them, and for their loved ones, UVA Health System is proud to present the new Emily Couric Clinical Cancer Center, a facility that brings together the power of technology, the promise of medical research and the skill and compassion of our people.

### Strength In Numbers

At UVA, we know that many minds are better than one. This new center was designed to foster collaboration and partnership among a staff of hundreds, from every area and every discipline – from surgery and research to guest services and imaging to pharmacy and chaplaincy. Each has an important role to play, and each is dedicated to making a difference for cancer patients and their families, whether through major medical breakthroughs or small, yet meaningful, gestures. Patients will be an integral part of this care team, with easy access to the top cancer specialists and thoughtfully chosen support services all under one roof.

### Strength of Place

When faced with the ugliness of a disease like cancer, place matters. That's why we asked our cancer patients, "What does a healing environment look like?" Their responses gave us a building awash in natural light, halls lined with carefully chosen artwork, spaces for quiet reflection, open and airy rooms and accommodations for patients and their families that help us care for the whole person, including meditation, exercise instruction and a positive image boutique. The Emily Couric Clinical Cancer Center will be a comfortable, convenient and beautiful place where families can receive the support they need in their fight against cancer.

### Strength In Discovery

As an NCI-designated Cancer Center, UVA is committed to advancing medicine and transforming the treatment of cancer. Our cancer researchers and scientists are on the forefront of some of the most recent discoveries, informing treatment worldwide. In our new facility, we have the space and resources necessary to go even further. We will sponsor more clinical trials, generate new tools for diagnosing, treating, and understanding this disease, and we'll be prepared to quickly incorporate these findings into the realm of care. As the treatments for cancer evolve, so can we.

### Strength In Technology

Only a few centers in the nation will offer patients the array of cutting-edge technology available at the Emily Couric Clinical Cancer Center. This state-of-the-art facility will be home to the nation's first HD Helical Tomotherapy unit, an integrated CT/HDR Brachytherapy system, and a Varian Linear Accelerator. With this arsenal of innovative equipment in the hands of some of the leading radiation oncologists, pathologists and surgeons, UVA offers patients more and better treatment options.

### Strength, Realized

The Emily Couric Clinical Cancer Center is a place where strength is realized, dignity defined and the human spirit celebrated. It was built to foster a new approach to the way in which we treat this disease. And it was built for those who remind us every day that we can go further, push harder, be better: our patients.



### Emily Couric: A Source of Strength

For a cancer center designed to care for the body, mind and spirit of a person fighting disease, there could be no better namesake. The late Virginia senator Emily Couric faced her disease courageously and publicly, with dignity, strength and grace. And it was her wish that all cancer patients have a place where they could fight cancer boldly,

with the best and most advanced treatment options, and where their emotional and psychological needs could be met. It is our hope that the Emily Couric Clinical Cancer Center does justice to her wish, and to her work on behalf of the people of Virginia.

### Floor Plan

Despite its size (approximately 154,000 square feet), the Emily Couric Clinical Cancer Center is warm and welcoming, thanks to the use of natural materials and color schemes. Each floor has a geographic theme, with décor and hues that invoke a different area of the Commonwealth, where most of our patients call home.

### Ground Floor: Mountains

Our Radiation Therapy suite is specially designed to house to some of the most advanced radiation technology available today. Those receiving radiation treatment have access to exam rooms and support services all on the same floor, making it more convenient for them and their families.

### First Floor: Piedmont

Entering into this two-story atrium and welcome area gives you a sense of the holistic approach to cancer care for which this facility was built. Here on this main level are a variety of patient support and education services, including social work, spiritual support and counseling, as well as a Positive Image Boutique, a refreshment nook and a meditation room and garden for quiet reflection. Our Diagnostic Imaging clinic offers a broad assortment of cutting-edge imaging services including PET, SPECT, CT and more.

### Second Floor: Coastal Plains

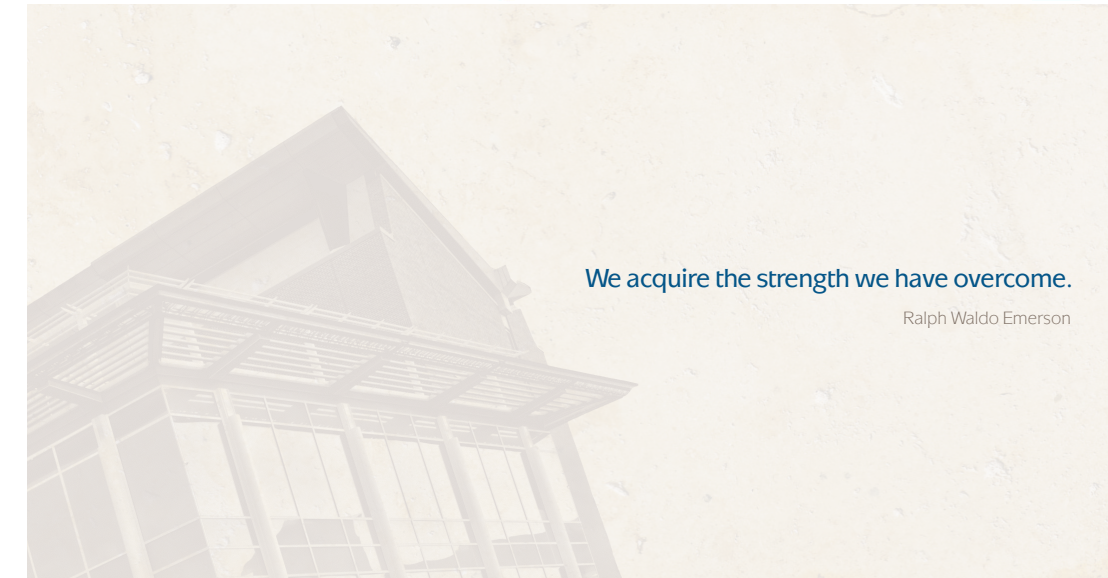
The Women's Oncology Clinic located here features spacious exam rooms with a private dressing area and bathroom in each. The large Infusion Center includes 18 sunlit private rooms as well as common rooms for those who prefer a group setting. A special investigational pharmacy allows us to support more Phase I drug trials.

### Third Floor: Great Valley

To encourage collaboration, multi-disciplinary clinics are uniquely arranged in pods that include a physician's office, a consultation room, three exam rooms and space for house staff and nurses who coordinate clinical trials.

### Fourth Floor: To be determined

Visitors to the Center can enjoy a beautiful terrace garden. The remainder of the top floor has been left open to allow for the development and growth of future programs.



We acquire the strength we have overcome.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

