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St. James Hospital Cuts Ribbon on New Medical Office Building: O'Mara calls it an 'outstanding team effort' that strengthens regional health care

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Hornell, N.Y., November 29--St. James Hospital celebrated the opening of its new medical office building today at a ribbon-cutting ceremony and tour with community members, St. James providers and employees, UR Medicine leadership and elected officials, including New

York Lt. Gov. Kathy Hochul.

Located at 7309 Seneca Road North, in the former Wegmans plaza, the facility will officially open Dec. 10.

"Our St. James Board of Directors is thankful for the dedicated work of so many partners that has brought us to this day of celebrating new facilities to support existing and new medical services for our community," said Susan Gray, PhD, St. James Board Chair.

Under the leadership of Gov. Andrew Cuomo, New York State has provided St. James \$62.8 million in funding for the hospital and medical office building projects, as well as a new electronic health record system.

"This transformative hospital and medical office building project is expanding access to health care services and improving patient care for residents," said Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul. "New York is investing in St. James Hospital and other facilities in the region to help strengthen healthcare in the Southern Tier, ensuring high-quality care and emergency services. The opening of the new medical office building, and later the new hospital, will provide good paying job opportunities for residents and continue to spur economic growth in the area."

"It has been an outstanding team effort that has finally brought us here to celebrate the new St. James Hospital Medical Office Building, and I was grateful to help support it every step of the way," said New York State Senator Tom O'Mara. "This new facility will provide critical, high quality, modern health care services for the residents of Hornell and surrounding communities. It's an exciting and long-awaited day for our entire region."

The 50,000 square feet of the medical office building will house a variety of outpatient services to improve access, convenience, and quality of care. Services include:

- > UR Medicine Primary Care
- > UR Medicine Urgent Care
- > Specialty Outpatient Clinics

- > Ear, Nose and Throat
- > Gastroenterology
- > General Surgery
- > Heart & Vascular
- > Medical Oncology
- > Neurology
- > Neurosurgery
- > Orthopaedics

- > Blood draw
- > Physical Therapy
- > X-ray

Oak Orchard Health, a UR Medicine collaborative partner, also will be housed in the medical office building. Oak Orchard is a Federally Qualified Health Center that provides primary care, pediatrics and dental services.

“The completion of this project marks the first step toward consolidating health care services in Hornell, beginning a new chapter for St. James on our brand new campus,” said hospital President and Chief Executive Officer Bryan O’Donovan. Construction of a new St. James Hospital has begun adjacent to the medical office building site and will be completed in early 2020.

St. James became an affiliate of the University of Rochester Medical Center in March 2018. The partnership has brought new health care services to Hornell and the Southern Tier, including primary care, gastroenterology, imaging and otolaryngology, helping to increase access to care for patients. St. James collaborates closely with UR Medicine affiliates Noyes Memorial in Dansville and Jones Memorial Hospital in Wellsville, sharing clinical and operational resources and allowing each hospital to be stronger as part of a larger health care system.

“The goal of UR Medicine is to provide high-quality health care close to home, and we greatly appreciate the support of Governor Cuomo and other State leaders who help to make that possible,” said UR Medicine CEO Mark B. Taubman, M.D. “Families in the Hornell area can get most of their basic medical services in the new medical office building, or at St. James Hospital. When they need highly specialized care, Strong Memorial Hospital offers some of the most advanced services available anywhere so that patients don’t have to travel out of Upstate New York.”