Letter From the President

Dear Friends,

At MedStar St. Mary’s Hospital, we’re united in our mission to make health care personal and accessible. The 2018 Report to the Community highlights our ongoing efforts to bring expanded health services to our region, while also helping to fuel economic growth as the second-largest employer in St. Mary’s County.

Putting patients first is the driving force of MedStar St. Mary’s. After 107 years, we remain proud to serve our neighbors, family, and friends.

Kindest regards,

Christine R. Wray, FACHE
President, MedStar St. Mary’s Hospital
Senior Vice President, MedStar Health

East Run Opens Access to Needed Health Care Services in St. Mary’s

Bringing new care options to southern St. Mary’s County, the East Run Center in Lexington Park officially opened in March 2018. The first floor of the 45,000-square-foot facility is dedicated entirely to health care.

“MedStar Health’s $2.3 million investment to build out East Run brings much needed, convenient access to primary care, care coordination, behavioral health services, a laboratory, Health Connections classes and programs, and eventually dental to our community,” said Stephen Michaels, MD, FACHE, chief operating officer and chief medical officer of MedStar St. Mary’s Hospital. “We understand the importance of this project to the revitalization of Lexington Park and the economic driver that has been established.”

Community partners in East Run’s development included The Cherry Cove Group, Walden Sierra, the Department of Social Services, the Southern Maryland Center for Independent Living, the Minority Outreach Coalition, the St. Mary’s County Housing Authority, the Community Development Corporation, the Health Department, and many branches of St. Mary’s County Government.

“Our hope,” said Dr. Michaels, “is that East Run will make it easier for everyone in the southern end of the county to receive quality care close to where they live and work.”
Total Community Benefit 2018: $17.5M

- Charity Care: $4.6M (26.1%)
- Community Services: $12.7M (72.7%)
- Health Professions Education: $0.2M (1.2%)

Includes Medicaid assessments
Includes subsidies, community health improvement services, community building activities, financial contributions, and community benefit operations

Below, Brian Norris, president and chief executive officer of The Cherry Cove Group, center right, stands with Stephen Michaels, MD, FACHE, chief operating officer and chief medical officer of MedStar St. Mary’s Hospital, and Christine Wray, president of MedStar St. Mary’s, center left, in preparing to cut the ribbon at the opening of East Run Center in Lexington Park.