



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Woodland Heights Medical Center Now Provides Breast MRI**

Lufkin, TX (July 21, 2010) -- Woodland Heights Medical Center has announced that it now provides breast MRI, an advanced procedure for the diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer.

Often used to investigate breast concerns first detected with mammography, physical exam, or other imaging exams, breast MRI is a test used to distinguish between benign and malignant tissues. Performing this test may reduce the number of breast biopsies done to evaluate a suspicious breast mass

Breast MRI can also be used for staging breast cancer to determine the most appropriate treatment as well as for patient follow-up after breast cancer treatment. Currently, clinical studies are underway to determine whether breast MRI may be useful in screening younger women at high risk of breast cancer. Most women under 40-years do not get annual mammograms; however, the American Cancer Society has recommended that women at very high risk of developing breast cancer have an annual MRI exam in addition to mammograms to increase the chances of early detection when the cancer is most treatable.

Woodland Heights Medical Center is the only facility in the Lufkin/Nacogdoches area to provide breast MRI, as we are committed to the fight against breast cancer. In addition

to breast MRI, Woodland Heights also provides digital mammography. Please note that a breast MRI does not replace a mammogram and you must have a doctor's order. For scheduling, call 936-637-8514 or to learn more about the services at Woodland Heights, visit the web site at [www.woodlandheights.net](http://www.woodlandheights.net).

**About Woodland Heights Medical Center**

Established in 1918, Woodland Heights Medical Center was Lufkin's first hospital. Now, nine decades later, Woodland Heights is recognized throughout Deep East Texas as the leading provider of high quality, innovative health care services. Accommodating a wide range of clinical specialties, Woodland Heights has achieved excellence in key medical and surgical areas including cardiology, pulmonology, neurology, orthopedic surgery, physical medicine/rehabilitation, vascular surgery and obstetrics and gynecology. Woodland Heights also offers a full range of outpatient diagnostic services including advanced imaging, laboratory, outpatient surgery and emergency services. Through its Rehabilitation Center, Woodland Heights offers cardiac rehabilitation, stroke recovery and physical and occupational rehabilitation. Combining modern facilities, leading technology, an exceptional staff and a commitment to the communities it serves, Woodland Heights Medical Center remains at the forefront of quality health care in Deep East Texas

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