



Morton Plant Hospital



Mease Countryside Hospital



Mease Dunedin Hospital



Morton Plant North Bay Hospital

Cancer is currently the second most common cause of death in the United States, followed only by heart disease. The not-for-profit hospitals of Morton Plant Mease proudly offer a wide range of cancer care services to individuals in the Tampa Bay area and are committed to providing personalized, patient-centered care that utilizes the latest advancements in diagnostic testing, staging and treatment of cancer.

Last year, the Morton Plant Mease cancer programs aided over 3,000 newly diagnosed cancer patients, with the most prevalent cases being breast, lung, bladder, colon and prostate cancers. We're very proud to announce that our program has again been awarded accreditation by the Commission on Cancer, and applauded in four areas of excellence. The Commission on Cancer accreditation is granted to facilities that are committed to providing the best in cancer care and demonstrate compliance with the eligibility requirements and standards.



In addition to meeting the physical needs of our patients, we also provide cancer support services that can help patients and their family members get access to free educational resources, counseling, support groups and more so that they can better cope with the emotional and psychological aspects of a cancer diagnosis.

Through heartfelt community support, Morton Plant Mease Health Care Foundation provides funding for 10 programs aimed at granting a renewed sense of possibility to survivors and their loved ones. These initiatives encompass every moment that cancer touches people's lives, from prevention and diagnosis through treatment and survivorship. A few examples of cancer programs supported by philanthropy include:

- **Cancer Patient Support Services (CaPSS)** addresses the psychosocial, emotional and spiritual needs of all patients fighting cancer, their families and friends. The counselors of CaPSS utilize a variety of educational and support services to help cancer survivors and their families deal more effectively with their emotional distress.
- The **Mammogram Voucher Breast Cancer Screening Program** has screened 500 low-income, uninsured women in Pinellas County this year, and subsequently provided care for those who were diagnosed with breast cancer.
- **Prostate Cancer Program** helps men in our communities identify their medical needs at the earliest stages when treatment is viable and harm can be prevented.

The Morton Plant Mease cancer program continues to strive for comprehensive, quality care of the highest standard for the best outcomes in the communities we serve.