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St. Elizabeth's Medical Center Breaks Ground on New Radiation Oncology Center

\$10.3 million renovation is one of seven Caritas Christi initiatives totaling more than \$100 million that will bring state-of-the-art, high quality services to eastern Massachusetts

Brighton, MA – June 15, 2010 – Today, St. Elizabeth's Medical Center officials broke ground on a new Radiation Oncology Center. St. Elizabeth's new Radiation Oncology Center will feature 10,500 square feet located on the 2nd floor of the new William F. Connell Pavilion. The project, which will total approximately \$10.3 million, will provide for a new linear accelerator for targeted radiation therapy, state-of-the-art HDR vaults for high-dose radiation therapy and enhanced comfort for patients and families. In addition, the new space will be able to accommodate future technology updates that will allow St. Elizabeth's to continue to provide the latest therapeutic care for patients.

"This renovation will create a new, state-of-the-art facility that will allow us to accommodate the latest radiation therapy techniques and help us provide better care and comfort to our patients," said John J. Holiver, President, St. Elizabeth's Medical Center. "With these technology enhancements, our neighbors will no longer need to be referred to other hospitals in Massachusetts for advanced cancer care but instead, receive that care in the comfort of their own community."

St. Elizabeth's Radiation Oncology Center development, scheduled for completion in latter half of 2011, is among seven Caritas Christi infrastructure improvement projects to break ground. The projects, spread among the six Caritas Christi hospitals, total more than 117,000-square-feet and represent a capital investment of more than \$100 million. A significant capital commitment by Cerberus Capital Management enabled Caritas Christi to begin construction and provides the funding to complete the projects in a timely manner. The projects

include three new emergency departments and two new surgical centers; and new technology and facilities, such as CT and other diagnostic imaging, endoscopy, cardiac catheterization, surgical robots and cancer care.

Caritas Christi's infrastructure projects are creating new jobs in areas that have some of the highest unemployment in the Commonwealth. With hospitals in Brockton, Fall River, Dorchester, Norwood, Boston and Methuen, Caritas Christi's building projects are creating more than 4,300 potential new jobs, including 110 design, engineering and consulting jobs, 500 construction jobs, 500 new jobs from hospital projects, and more than 3,700 related stimulus jobs.

The project manager for the projects is RFWalsh Collaborative Partners. The architect is The S / L / A / M Collaborative, Inc., and the general contractor is Suffolk Construction.

About St. Elizabeth's Medical Center

St. Elizabeth's Medical Center is a major academic medical center affiliated with Tufts University School of Medicine. Areas of medical excellence include cardiology, neurosciences, bariatric surgery, women's health, high-risk obstetrics, bone and joint health, hematology/oncology, pulmonary medicine and emergency medicine. St. Elizabeth's is a member of Caritas Christi Health Care, New England's largest community hospital network. Visit St. Elizabeth's online at CaritasStElizabets.org.

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