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## **JUPITER MEDICAL CENTER ADOPTS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY TO IMPROVE THE SURGICAL EXPERIENCE FOR BREAST CANCER PATIENTS**

*Jupiter Medical Center surgeons and radiologists among first in Palm Beach and Martin counties to use the SAVI SCOUT radar localization system*

JUPITER, FLA. (January X, 2016) Jupiter Medical Center continues to demonstrate its commitment to offering the most advanced treatment options to patients with breast cancer by becoming the first hospital in Palm Beach County to use the new SAVI SCOUT® radar localization system during breast conservation surgeries. An alternative to wire localization, SCOUT® is an FDA-cleared device used by surgeons and radiologists to precisely locate and direct the removal of a tumor during a lumpectomy or surgical biopsy procedure.

“Breast cancer surgery can be both physically and emotionally distressing for women, and we are always striving to find ways to create a better experience – and better outcomes – for our patients”, says Nancy Taft, MD, FACS, Medical Director of Jupiter Medical Center’s Comprehensive Breast Care Program. “SCOUT resolves one of the most difficult aspects of breast conservation surgery by eliminating the need to place a wire inside breast tissue to locate a tumor.”

### **SCOUT Works with Precision Accuracy in Lumpectomy and Excisional Biopsy**

SCOUT uses non-radioactive, radar technology to provide real-time surgical guidance during breast surgery. Rather than placing a wire immediately before surgery, a SCOUT reflector is placed in the target tissue up to 30 days prior to surgery. During surgery, the SCOUT guide accurately detects the location of the reflector – and the tumor.

The ability to precisely locate and direct the removal of a tumor during a lumpectomy or surgical biopsy procedure enables surgeons to increase the probability of complete cancer removal and reduce the likelihood of needing follow-up surgeries – a huge advantage for early-stage breast cancer patients. In addition, the ability to strategically plan the incision may result in less tissue being removed during surgery, resulting in better cosmetic outcomes.

“We’re proud to be one of the first hospitals in Palm Beach County to use the new SCOUT radar localization system during breast conservation surgeries,” says Dr. Taft. “As research and technology advances, we’re committed to adopting the safest and most progressive treatment options for women and men with breast cancer.”

### **About Jupiter Medical Center**

A not-for-profit 327-bed regional medical center consisting of 207 private acute-care hospital beds and 120 long-term care, sub-acute rehabilitation and Hospice beds, Jupiter Medical Center is reimagining how to restore the community’s health and wellness. Award-winning physicians,

world-class partnerships and innovative techniques and technology enable Jupiter Medical Center to provide a broad range of services with specialty concentrations in cardiology, oncology, imaging, orthopedics & spine, digestive health, emergency services, lung & thoracic, women's health, weight management and men's health.

Founded in 1979, Jupiter Medical Center has approximately 1,500 team members, 575 physicians and 640 volunteers. Jupiter Medical Center continues to perform in the top 10% of hospitals for patient quality and satisfaction. For more information on Jupiter Medical Center, please call (561) 263-2234 or visit [Jupitermed.com](http://Jupitermed.com).

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