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**Pardee's Elizabeth Reilly Breast Center Named
Breast Imaging Center of Excellence**

(Hendersonville, N.C.) The Elizabeth Reilly Breast Center at Pardee was recently designated a Breast Imaging Center of Excellence by the American College of Radiology (ACR). This designation recognizes that Pardee's Elizabeth Reilly Breast Center earned accreditation in all of the College's voluntary, breast-imaging accreditation programs and modules, in addition to the mandatory Mammography Accreditation Program.

The breast imaging services at Pardee are fully accredited in mammography, stereotactic breast biopsy, breast ultrasound and ultrasound-guided breast biopsy. Peer-review evaluations, conducted in each breast imaging modality by board-certified physicians and medical physicists who are experts in the field, have determined that this facility has achieved high practice standards in image quality, personnel qualifications, facility equipment, quality control procedures and quality assurance programs.

"We are extremely proud of this recognition by the American College of Radiology. Above all, it confirms that we are well-versed in the use of the most modern technology for diagnosing this disease and it's an indicator of the high quality of care



provided at the Elizabeth Reilly Breast Center every day,” said Edna Mulenex, director of Pardee’s Radiology Department.

Pardee’s Elizabeth Reilly Breast Center was also recently granted a three-year full accreditation designation by the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC), a program administered by the American College of Surgeons. Accreditation by the NAPBC is only given to those centers that have voluntarily committed to provide the highest level of quality breast care and have undergone a rigorous evaluation process and review of their performance.

In addition, the Breast Center was recently recognized as a Certified Participant of the National Quality Measures for Breast Centers Program (NQMBC). This distinguished honor represents a commitment to provide the highest quality breast health care to patients in the community. Pardee’s Elizabeth Reilly Breast Center is currently the only certified participant in North and South Carolina. The National Quality Measures for Breast Centers were developed by the National Consortium of Breast Centers, which references the Health Care Advisory Board’s Clinical Quality Dash Board.

The Elizabeth Reilly Breast Center at Pardee Hospital reminds women over 40 to schedule their annual mammogram during the month of October – National Breast Cancer





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Awareness Month – and receive a free gift. Early detection is the key to fighting breast cancer, and performing monthly breast self-exams and getting annual mammograms can help women detect breast cancer in its earliest stages. Women can schedule a mammogram by calling (828) 698-7979.

[Pardee Hospital](http://www.pardeehospital.org) is a not-for-profit community hospital founded in 1953. The main hospital is licensed for 222 acute care beds and is the second largest employer in Henderson County. The hospital has several locations separate from the main campus, including an adult day services center, a health education center in the Blue Ridge Mall, home care services, a rehab and wellness center, a midwifery program, various family and internal medicine practices, and an urgent care facility. For more information or to find a physician, call 1-866-790-WELL (9355) or visit www.pardeehospital.org.

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