Another group of clinics with The University of Kansas Physicians will start using O₂ Tuesday, Aug. 7.

More than 500 new O₂ users have participated in training classes to prepare for next week's launch. It's the largest number of new users in the clinics ever.

“This is a very exciting time for us,” said Teresa Neely, UKP chief operating officer. “Preparing for this is truly a team approach across the enterprise. A lot of employees from different departments are participating in meetings, conducting trainings, providing support and going through mock trials to get us ready.”

Next week's go-live includes Integrative Medicine, Neurology, Neurosurgery, Ophthalmology, Psychiatry, Surgery, Urology and all divisions of Obstetrics and Gynecology. More physicians using the electronic medical record increases patient safety and improves A new mammography technology at The University of Kansas Hospital is giving Radiology staff their best tool yet for early detection of breast cancer.

Called 3D mammography, or tomosynthesis, the x-ray technology acquires a three-dimensional image of a breast. The result: Breast Imaging radiologists see 70 to 100 views of each breast (similar to a CT scan), compared with two just images using conventional 2D mammography.

More views – resulting in more accurate images – mean better diagnosis.

“It’s very impressive,” said Joni Bialek-Wood, RT M, Breast Imaging manager at the Westwood Campus. “This is the biggest advance in mammography we’ve seen in 50 years.”

Her department began testing a tomo device on patients in February. Her group now has two of the machines and is actively promoting the new technology to patients.

So far more than 1,400 patients (about 60 percent) have opted for the 3D mammogram, even though its $60 fee isn’t yet covered by most insurance providers. Our radiologists have detected two cancers in those patients that would have been missed on a 2D mammogram, Bialek-Wood said.

Breast Imaging purchased the two devices from manufacturer Hologic Inc., thanks to the $20 million gift from Annette Bloch in 2008 to...
Rite of passage

First-year students in the KU School of Medicine received their medical coats July 27 during the school’s 15th annual White Coat Ceremony. With 211 members at all three of its campuses, the class of 2016 is the school’s largest ever. The ceremony was held at Memorial Hall in Kansas City, Kan., to accommodate the number of family and friends.

Celebrating their white coats: Robert Elmore (front row, from left) and Deshanett Clay; Travis Haneke (back row, from left), Raulee Lucero, Christina Bourne and Brandon Carlisle.

Med center shines in Google launch

Google Fiber unveiled its extraordinary Internet service last week with an assist from the University of Kansas Medical Center.

The medical center is a content partner in the launch. At Google Fiber Space – a high-tech but homely retail setting at Westport Road and State Line Road – visitors at one exhibit interacted with medical center dietitians on high-definition TV screens.

The dietitians are discussing a wide range of wellness and nutrition topics, fielding questions about everything from proper eating for weight-lifters to lowering blood pressure through diet and controlling cholesterol with Niacin.

The live video stream was crystal-smooth – no choppiness or buffering – as if medical center staff were sitting in the Google store rather than their offices on the main campus.

Steve Fennel, director of Telecommunications Outreach, said the Google Fiber project is a high-profile platform to showcase the university’s people and online abilities.

“It’s an opportunity to engage with the community and demonstrate how technology can positively impact health, wellness and education,” said Fennel, who’s leading the medical center’s involvement with Google.

Google says its new network offers Internet speeds 100 times faster than conventional broadband. The search-engine giant is building its first superfast fiber network in the Kansas City metro.

Fennel said the Google Fiber project is a high-profile platform to showcase the university’s people and online abilities. Besides the dietitians’ live-streamed consultations, the medical center’s presence at Google Space includes several health-related videos, such as a segment featuring The KU Center for Telemedicine and Telehealth.

And be sure to watch for cameos by Otolaryngology’s Julie Wei, MD, and medical student Beka Mullen in Google’s “Let’s Do This for Kansas City” video at facebook.com/kumedicalcenter. It also will run before movies in area theaters.

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employees – including faculty, research support, clinical and administrative staff – at the University of Kansas Medical Center and The University of Kansas Hospital.

The push for comprehensive status demands a stronger cancer center culture.

That includes expanding its infrastructure and creating a “collegial environment where individual investigators from multiple disciplines can truly collaborate to make as much progress as possible in our understanding of cancer,” Jensen said.

“We’re in the adolescent phase right now – starting to realize our potential but nowhere near fully achieving it.”

Last year’s union with Kansas City Cancer Center and opening of the KU Clinical Research Center in Fairway are important steps.

“We want to be nothing less than the most outstanding cancer center in the Midwest,” Jensen said.

For more on Jensen’s views, go to the Featured News section of kucancercenter.org.

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support cancer patient care at the hospital. Only one other hospital in the Kansas City area has a similar device. We’re the only National Cancer Institute-designated facility in the region offering the exciting new technology.

Besides leading to better diagnosis, tomosynthesis offers increased “specificity” – confidence to rule out cancer without recalling the patient for further study, according to Marc Inciardi, MD, director of Breast Imaging. He said 3D mammograms have been shown to limit recall visits by up to 50 percent, resulting in reduced patient anxiety and lowers costs.
Thursday, August 2

HEADACHE EDUCATION Support: First Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Prairie Village Community Center, 7720 Mission Road, Prairie Village. Information: 8-1227.

Friday, August 3


UNIVERSITY COMPUTER Equipment Drop-Off: 8:30-10:30 a.m., Hixon Atrium. Dispose of university-owned computers and computer-related equipment. Information: 8-1081 or www2.kumc.edu/safety.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS Alliance Third Annual Summer Soiree: 7 p.m., One 8 Oak (one8oak.com), Crossroads District, 1814 Oak St. Event includes food, drinks and music. Proceeds benefit the safe discharge program at The University of Kansas Hospital. Tickets are $40 in advance, $50 at the door. To buy tickets, go to ypakc.com and click Events.

Wednesday, August 8

BROWN BAG Lunch Series for Older Adults: “Trash or Treasure?”

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coordination of care among the patient’s entire healthcare team.

“When a patient comes to us with a past history of a certain disease, O₂ will help us understand what exactly is going on and how to better treat the patient,” said Linden Collins, MD, Obstetrics and Gynecology. “It’s great to be able to see other physicians’ notes in real time and not have to wait for records to be faxed.”

The go-live brings The University of Kansas Hospital one step closer to its goal of “One Patient, One Record.”

“O₂ is going to decrease a lot of duplication. We won’t have to search so much for things,” said Brant Thrasher, MD, Department of Urology chair.

Orthopedics and Clinical Pharmacology are scheduled to go online next. This will bring the remainder of UKP’s clinical departments live on the system. When clinics go live with O₂, they also begin using MyChart, a tool for patients to view portions of their electronic medical record.

YPA’s Summer Soiree is Friday

The Young Professionals Alliance will hold its third annual Summer Soiree at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 3, at One 8 Oak (one8oak.com) in the Crossroads District, 1814 Oak St.

The event, which includes food, drinks and music, is open to everyone. It benefits The University of Kansas Hospital’s safe discharge program.

Tickets are $40 in advance (by 5 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 2) or $50 at the door. Buy tickets at ypakc.com and click on Events. The YPA supports the hospital through advocacy, philanthropy and service.

Westwood patient valet service debuts Monday

Valet service for patients at the Westwood Campus begins Monday, Aug. 6. The new service is expected to greatly benefit patients by easing the stress of finding parking places.

To accommodate the new service, all lower level 2 parking spaces in the Westwood garage will be devoted to valet parking, except for existing handicap employee parking spaces. That level was selected because it gives valet attendants quick access to patient cars.

Level 4 in the garage will be converted from patient/visitor parking back to employee parking.

“The new valet service reflects our emphasis on patient-centered care,” said Paula Gangel, Volunteer Services director at The University of Kansas Hospital. “It’s important that we always strive to accommodate our patients’ needs.”

Indian Creek Campus added to courier service

The University of Kansas Hospital has added the Indian Creek Campus to its daily courier service.

The courier runs Monday-Friday from the main campus and Westwood Campus to outlying offices. Daily service times are noon and 4 p.m.

Pick-up/drop-off locations at Indian Creek Campus

• Reception desk, main lobby
• Hospital lab
• Administration building reception desk

Pickup/drop-off location at main campus

• Executive office reception desk (1215)
• Hospital lab (1402)
• Anesthesia office (1440)
• Medical Records (8430 basement)

Pickup/drop-off location at Westwood Campus

• Administration building reception desk

Items picked up at the Indian Creek Campus arrive at the main campus about 60-90 minutes later (1-1:30 p.m. or 5-5:30 p.m.). It is not a direct route to the main campus.

For delivery of stat items, large items or direct routing, contact Chris Delaney at 5-5413 or 816-918-1222 (cell) or 917-8214 (pager).

Schedule of August wellness classes

New wellness webinars from BlueCross BlueShield of Kansas City are available for employees at The University of Kansas Hospital. You can rack up points in your Points to Blue program.

August Webinar Series air at scheduled times:

• Cultivating a Stress Resilient Lifestyle: 10-11 a.m. Tuesdays, Aug. 7-28
• Physical Activity: noon-1 p.m. Wednesdays, Aug. 15-Sept. 19

On Demand Classes are ongoing and can be accessed 24 hours a day.

Access the Webinar Series and On Demand Classes at bluekcwebinars.com.

Details are on 24/7.
**Exchange**

**Vehicles**

2007 HARLEY-DAVIDSON Fat Boy, saddle bags, handlebar bag, windshield, backrest/foot pegs, Vance & Hines exhaust, new back tire, pearl white, blue detail, photos, $12,800. 913-731-9763.

2005 DODGE RAM 1500 4x4 quad cab, 58K, 5.7 Hemi, black with black interior, Neuf bars, 6” lift, aftermarket wheels, like new tires, $15,500. 913-731-9763.


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**For Sale**

RADIO FLYER red wagon, 2-seater with cup holders, one year old, rarely used, good cond., paid $100, asking $45. Text 913-205-8916.

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X-BOX 360, DJ Hero with turntable, Guitar Hero Legends of Rock, Call of Duty 4, MLB 2K7, perfect cond., make offer: 913-432-3134.

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**Garage Sales**

HUGE MULTI-FAMILY sale, Aug. 2-3, 8024 Spring Valley Rd., Raytown, clothing, appliances, knick-knacks, furniture, camping gear, car rims/wheels and more.

**WASHING MACHINE/DYER**: 10-15 years old, $200.

**STOVE**: 10 years old, $300.

**WANTED**

CHILD CARE for 4-year-old son for 4-6 weeks, starting Aug. 7, 3-11:30 p.m., 5 nights/week and every other weekend. 785-214-4105.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

with a charity or church collecting, packing or delivering school supplies. 816-254-3141.

**JEWELRY**

ARMOIRE, standing model or over-the-door mirror that holds jewelry, prefer dark wood color, send photos. Text 816-522-1073.

**BABY CLOTHING**, books, blankets, car sets, strollers, high chairs, toys and other items for organization helping teen moms in need. 816-560-2068.

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