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Baptist Health Care Adopts Wire-Free Radar Localization Technology for Breast Cancer Surgery

PENSACOLA, Fla. (July 22, 2020) – Baptist Hospital is the first hospital in Northwest Florida to adopt the SCOUT® wire-free radar localization system to be used in certain breast cancer surgical procedures.

The SCOUT system eliminates the need to place a wire inside the breast to locate a tumor by using non-radioactive, radar technology to provide real-time surgical guidance during breast surgery. A reflector the size of a grain of rice is placed in the target tissue prior to the day of surgery. During surgery, real-time distance measurement guidance accurately detects the location of the reflector and the tumor to within one millimeter of accuracy.

The ability to precisely locate tumors may increase the probability of complete cancer removal, reduce the likelihood of the need for follow-up surgery and may result in better cosmetic outcomes.

More information is available at ebaptisthealthcare.org/surgery/scout-procedure.

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About Baptist Health Care

Baptist Health Care is a community-owned, not-for-profit health care organization based in northwest Florida that is committed to helping people throughout life's journey. The organization is a proud member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network. A 2003 Malcolm Baldrige recipient, Baptist continuously strives to be a national leader in quality and service. Baptist Health Care includes three hospitals, four medical parks, Andrews Institute for Orthopaedic & Sports Medicine, Lakeview Center and a large network of primary care and specialty physicians. With more than 7,300 employees and employed physicians, Baptist Health Care is the second largest non-governmental employer in northwest Florida.

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