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**STURDY MEMORIAL'S CANCER CARE PROGRAM
EARNS COMMISSION ON CANCER ACCREDIATION**

ATTLEBORO, MA, May 29, 2014 – The Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons has granted accreditation to the Cancer Program at Sturdy Memorial Hospital. Sturdy's cancer program has been continuously accredited since 1988 based on the Hospital's ability to meet more than 30 required quality standards.

The Commission on Cancer (CoC) evaluates cancer programs to measure compliance in meeting standards related to cancer program leadership, cancer data quality, clinical services, continuum of care management, patient outcomes, research, community outreach, and quality improvement.

Among the benefits that CoC-accredited cancer programs offer their cancer patients are:

- Quality care close to home
- Comprehensive care
- A multidisciplinary, team approach
- Information and education
- Patient-centered services
- Options for genetic assessment and counseling, and palliative care services
- Care monitoring and quality improvement
- Treatment planning based on evidence-based national treatment guidelines
- Clinical trials and new treatment options
- Patient tracking through the cancer data system

To learn more about Sturdy Memorial Hospital's Cancer Care program, please call (508) 236-8020 or visit www.sturdymemorial.org. Sturdy Memorial Hospital is a full-service, independent, financially stable, not-for-profit acute care community hospital in Attleboro, Massachusetts.

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