

## **Ambulatory Services of America, Inc. Announces Joint Venture With Gulf Coast Cancer Centers**

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Ambulatory Services of America, Inc. announced the formation of ROSA of South Alabama, LLC, its seventh radiation oncology joint venture. ROSA of South Alabama is a joint venture among Gulf Coast Cancer Center – Gulf Shores, P.C., Monroeville Radiation – Oncology, P.C., and South Alabama Radiation Oncology, P.C., and ASA's subsidiary, Radiation Oncology Services of America, Inc. ROSA of South Alabama will own and operate four radiation oncology facilities in Gulf Shores, Brewton, Foley and Monroeville, Alabama.

ROSA of South Alabama will offer state-of-the-art cancer treatment services, including intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), image-guided radiation therapy (IGRT), and stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT) in the facilities. The joint venture expects to build on Gulf Coast Cancer Centers' legacy of providing high-quality cancer care to the residents and visitors to the south Alabama region. The physicians currently serving patients at each facility will continue to provide physician services to patients being treated at the facilities. William Hixson, M.D. will serve as medical director for each of the facilities.

Dr. Hixson said, "When considering a partnership, we looked for a strong, growing company that not only brings business expertise to the table but, most importantly, also shares our passion for patient care. We look forward to working with ASA and ROSA as we continue our mission of providing superior care and service to the growing number of cancer patients in the Gulf Coast area."

Timothy Martin, President and Chief Executive Officer of ASA, said, "We are pleased to welcome the physicians and staff of Gulf Coast Cancer Centers to the ASA family. Dr. Hixson and his team are recognized in the industry as providers of high-quality cancer care through state-of-the-art technology, treatments and procedures. We look forward to working with them to continue to provide excellent service to cancer patients in the Gulf Coast region."

Ambulatory Services of America, headquartered in Brentwood, Tennessee, is a diversified health care services company that provides alternative site services in partnership with physicians. ASA, through its primary subsidiaries Radiation Oncology Services of America, Inc. and Innovative Dialysis Systems, Inc. owns, operates and manages facilities providing radiation oncology services and dialysis services. After the formation of ROSA of South Alabama, ASA will own interests in and operate 17 radiation oncology centers and 44 dialysis centers in eleven states and the territory of Guam.

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