

# Banner Fort Collins expands heart care services

## Cardiac catheterization lab allows patients to get care locally



Banner Fort Collins Medical Center

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (Oct. 19, 2020) – Construction begins this month on a new 1,736 square-foot addition to Banner Fort Collins Medical Center that allows Fort Collins-area patients to receive advanced heart care services in the community.

Currently, people who come to Banner Fort Collins in need of interventional heart care – commonly known as a cardiac cath procedure – are transferred to McKee Medical Center in Loveland. Banner Health cardiologists have a full schedule of patients they see in the Fort Collins clinic,

but all interventional work is done at McKee.

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“Employers in Fort Collins who have insurance with Banner want their employees to get care close to where they live,” said Jason Hatch, MD, Banner interventional cardiologist. “Adding this service in Fort Collins makes getting care easier for the patients and makes providing that care easier for our physicians.”

The [McKee Wellness Foundation](#) gave its largest gift to date with \$1 million going toward the project. Executive director Allis Gilbert said foundation board members committed the investment to ensure Fort Collins residents have access to the high-quality heart care offered by Banner.

The cath lab will open in a new addition being constructed on the east side of the hospital. In addition to heart catheterizations, other services able to be done at this location include:

- Treatment of peripheral arterial disease
- Electrophysiology services
- Interventional radiology services.

Nine cardiologists and interventional radiologists will provide care at this location. They are:

- David Bicknell, MD
- Richard Coursey, MD
- Lin-Wang Dong, MD
- Cynthia Gryboski, MD
- Jason Hatch, MD
- Arnold Pfahnl, MD
- Gary Rath, MD
- Shane Rowan, MD
- Katherine Schuetze, MD.

The heart cath lab will open in early 2021.

### About Banner Fort Collins Medical Center

Banner Fort Collins Medical Center is a nonprofit, acute-care hospital offering emergency services, medical imaging, surgery, intensive care, obstetrics, and medical/surgical beds equipped with telemedicine technology. It is part of Banner Health, one of the largest nonprofit health care systems in the country with 29 hospitals located in six states. For more information, please visit [www.BannerHealth.com/FortCollins](http://www.BannerHealth.com/FortCollins).

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