

# EAST ORANGE GENERAL HOSPITAL

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## **EAST ORANGE GENERAL HOSPITAL BREAKING GROUND FOR NEW MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI) FACILITY**

**East Orange, N.J., July 23, 2010** – On Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, East Orange General Hospital hosted a groundbreaking ceremony for the expansion of a newly renovated Radiology facility that will house its new state-of-the-art Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) machine. The construction for the facility is currently underway and will be located on the first floor in the hospital's main building on 300 Central Avenue.

Currently, the hospital has a mobile MRI unit that arrives twice a week in the emergency department parking lot and patients must be transported outside the facility in order to have this procedure performed.

“The plan to renovate the Radiology facility and purchase an on-site MRI unit has been in the works,” said Kevin J. Slavin, President and Chief Executive Officer of EOGH. “It had become more and more evident that we needed to move forward on this project since the hospital was recently designated as a primary stroke center, which necessitates a full-time MRI unit on-site.”

With the help of the hospital's Foundation, East Orange General Hospital has invested \$1.3 million to add a new Toshiba Vantage Titan wide bore MRI system.

The MRI unit's wide table and wide bore design better accommodates larger, claustrophobic and limited mobility patients. In addition, the Toshiba Titan produces high-quality diagnostic information for every region of the body.

“Having a full-time MRI unit on-site will continue to help us provide the highest level of quality and compassionate patient care” stated Dr. Sheila Sonalkar, Medical Director of Diagnostic Imaging. “This will improve efficiency in meeting the urgent care needs for patients requiring comprehensive diagnostic radiology services.”

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### **About East Orange General Hospital**

East Orange General Hospital is the largest private employer in East Orange, and remains as the only independent, fully accredited, acute-care hospital in Essex County. The hospital is the leader in Behavioral Health Services and provides a comprehensive array of primary care and specialty services including Same Day Surgery, Physical Rehabilitation Services, Family Health, Emergency Medicine, Outpatient Hemodialysis, Hyperbaric/Wound Management, Vascular and Medical/Surgical Services. Serving the community for over a century, the hospital recently expanded its services and is continually adding new equipment and programs to provide the highest level of quality and compassionate patient care. For more information on East Orange General Hospital, please visit: <http://www.evh.org>.

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