

Comprehensive Cardiovascular Care at Oklahoma Heart Institute

Advanced Technology, Expert Care, Outstanding Results

Would it surprise you to learn that heart disease claims more women's lives than breast cancer? It's true. In fact, heart disease kills more women every year than all forms of cancer combined. There is some good news, however: heart disease is treatable and, more importantly, preventable.

"Women must become more aware of their risks for cardiovascular disease," notes Oklahoma Heart Institute interventional cardiologist Wayne N. Leimbach, Jr., M.D. "Risk factors can be identified early and, often, reversed, so it is critical for women to proactively seek the care they need."

"Many women still don't understand the importance of knowing their 'numbers,'" adds Nat Torkelson, Administrative Director of Cardiovascular Services at Hillcrest Medical Center. "Simply being aware of how things like cholesterol, weight and blood pressure affect heart health can help women take the necessary steps to minimize or prevent cardiovascular disease."

Located on the Hillcrest Medical Center campus with direct access to leading-edge tertiary services, Oklahoma Heart Institute

provides patients with the highest level of comprehensive heart care in the state. Each member of the OHI team, including 20 cardiologists and endocrinologists, and the three cardiovascular surgeons, are highly-trained with advanced training above and beyond that of a normal cardiologist.

"We have the experience and expertise to effectively treat virtually any cardiovascular condition," says Dr. Leimbach. "Our patients get the benefit of sophisticated, world-class care without ever having to leave their own community."

As good as the internationally recognized care at Oklahoma Heart Institute is, though, it is about to get even better. In just a few short months, the new \$64 million Oklahoma Heart Institute heart hospital will be complete, offering patients the only dedicated heart hospital in the state with the clinical excellence of a major tertiary center together with a full continuum of diagnostic, treatment and rehabilitation cardiovascular services.

"Our new heart hospital will be the only place in Oklahoma where patients can receive university-level care in a beautiful, patient-



Wayne N. Leimbach, Jr., MD (right)

centered environment with the convenience of a private practice," Dr. Leimbach says.

Nat Torkelson agrees: "Oklahoma Heart Institute brings top-notch physicians together with the very latest technology. It is an amazing organization of experts who provide compassionate, patient-oriented care. For patients, the benefits are tremendous because beyond being a full-service, world-class cardiovascular program, we love what we do. We have a passion for heart care and we share that passion with every patient we treat."

One of the top tertiary cardiovascular care programs in the country, Oklahoma Heart Institute offers an unparalleled level of care for a full range of cardiovascular conditions. To learn more, or to schedule a consultation, please call **800-733-0999**. Visit the website at www.oklahomaheart.com.



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