



**CANCER CARE**  
OF WESTERN NEW YORK

dedicated to  
**curing cancer today.**

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## our team

### Radiation Oncology



**Michael Duff, M.D.** is a board-certified radiation oncologist and graduate of the SUNY at Buffalo School of Medicine. He completed an internship in Internal Medicine in Buffalo, and trained in radiation oncology at the University of Minnesota. Dr. Duff is an active member of the American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology (ASTRO). He is well versed in various radiation techniques, such as 3D conformal radiation therapy and Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT).



**Dhiren K. Shah, M.D.** is a board-certified radiation oncologist. He graduated with honors from Lehigh University and completed his radiation oncology training at Robert Wood Johnson/Cooper Hospital in New Jersey. He is a member of many clinical societies, including the American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology, is a fellow of the American College of Radiation Oncology and is the vice chair for the prestigious New York State Board of Medicine.



**Christine Mangovski, RPA-C** graduated with a master's degree in the Physician Assistants Program at LeMoyne College in Syracuse, NY. She is nationally certified by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants and is an active member of the American Academy of Physician Assistants.

### Urologic Pathology



**William A. Geary, M.D., PhD** graduated from the University of Virginia School of Medicine, where he also completed his pathology training. Dr. Geary is a board-certified physician and an active member of various professional organizations.



**John E. Schrecengost, M.D.** is a board-certified physician who graduated from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, and completed his pathology training at the University of Virginia Health Sciences Center. Dr. Schrecengost is also an active member of multiple professional organizations.



## our philosophy

Cancer Care of Western New York is dedicated to providing the best cancer care for our patients. Our facilities have the latest technology for the treatment of cancer throughout the region.

Many different types of cancers can be treated successfully with radiation, including the following:

### Prostate Cancer

The cause of prostate cancer remains unknown. The risk of developing prostate cancer increases as a man ages. A family history of prostate cancer in a brother or a father also doubles one's chances of getting prostate cancer. In the very early stages of prostate cancer, there usually are no symptoms.

### Breast Cancer

Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women. Some symptoms associated with breast cancer are a new lump in the breast or underarm, thickening or swelling of the breast, irritation/dimpling of the breast, pain in the nipple area, and nipple discharge.

### Lung Cancer

Lung cancer is a disease caused by the rapid growth and division of cells that make up the lungs. Coughing, shortness of breath, wheezing, chest pain, loss of appetite and weight loss are common symptoms experienced with lung cancer.

### Central Nervous System (CNS) Cancer

CNS cancer affects either the brain, spinal cord or both. Signs and symptoms include headache, seizures, and neurological dysfunction affecting speech, memory, and/or vision. Gamma Knife is a radiosurgery technique that has proven very effective in the treatment of CNS cancers.



## Head and Neck Cancer

This type of cancer is one that occurs in the head, nasal cavity, sinuses, lips, mouth, salivary glands, throat or larynx. Common symptoms of cancer of the head and neck include persistent pain in the throat, pain/difficulty swallowing, persistent hoarseness or change in voice, pain in the ear and bleeding in the mouth or throat.

## Bladder Cancer

Carcinogens (cancer causing agents) in the urine may lead to the development of bladder cancer. The primary symptom is blood in the urine. Other symptoms may include frequent urination and pain upon urination.

## Gastrointestinal (GI) Cancer

GI cancer can form in the lining of the GI tract, which includes the small intestine, large intestine, stomach, pancreas and liver. Depending on the location of the cancer, causes, risk factors, and symptoms may vary.

## Other cancers successfully treated by radiation include:

- Testicular Cancer
- Colorectal Cancer
- Leukemia
- Thyroid Cancer
- Sarcomas
- Lymphomas (including Hodgkin's & non-Hodgkin's)
- Skin Cancer
- Cervical Cancer
- Ovarian Cancer
- Metastatic Cancers
- And Many Others



Our goal is to cure cancer.

## patient information

### Affiliations

#### Kaleida Health

Millard Fillmore Gates Circle Hospital  
Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital  
DeGraff Memorial Hospital

#### Catholic Health System

Kenmore Mercy Hospital  
Mercy Hospital of Buffalo  
Sisters of Charity Hospital  
St. Joseph Hospital

#### Buffalo Ambulatory Surgery Center

#### Erie County Medical Center

#### Gamma Knife Radiosurgery

Dr. Dhiren K. Shah performs this  
specialized service at Roswell Park.

### Insurance

- Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Western New York
- Blue Shield General Motors
- Community Blue
- Empire Plan
- Encompass 65
- Excellus
- Fidelis
- GHI
- Health America/Health Assurance
- Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield
- Independent Health (IHA)
- Medicaid
- Medicare
- North AmeriCare
- NOVA
- Private Insurances
- Senior Blue
- Senior Choice
- United Healthcare
- Univera
- UPMC
- Workers' Comp/No Fault

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