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Stephens County Hospital

Emergency Department • 706-282-4200

163 Hospital Drive, Toccoa, GA

www.stephenscountyhospital.com

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St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital

Emergency Department • 706-356-7800

367 Clear Creek Parkway, Lavonia, GA

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Our Emergency Department features 14 modern, fully-equipped treatment rooms, including two state-of-the-art trauma rooms. We provide up to date emergency services and treatment for all ages, pediatrics to geriatrics, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The ED is staffed with physicians, mid-levels, RNS and ED techs that are dedicated to emergency assessment and treatment.

As time is of the essence when someone may be having a stroke, St. Mary's Sacred heart has been designated as a Remote Treatment Stroke Center and the emergency stroke capabilities are available 24/7 in cooperation with Augusta University. This program links our staff, patients and imaging equipment electronically to a neurologist. We can diagnose and provide the quick treatment for stroke that is critical in saving lives and reducing long-term effects.

St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital is equipped with a helipad should patients need expedited transportation to and from the hospital.

GET SMELLY. Garlic, onions, spring onions and leeks all contain stuff that's good for you. A study at the Child's Health Institute in Cape Town found that eating raw garlic helped fight serious childhood infections. Heat destroys these properties, so eat yours raw, wash it down with fruit juice or, if you're a sissy, have it in tablet form



Northeast Georgia Medical Center



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Once the diagnosis settled in, Jim continued to manage his condition with medication and lifestyle adjustments; however, his symptoms only continued to worsen. That's when surgery became one of the few options he had left.

"There's a lot of fear and uncertainty that surrounds heart surgery, of course," said Jim. "Dr. Dan Winston was patient, thorough and extremely knowledgeable, but what impressed me the most was the reputation he had earned among other surgeons across the state. It was a truly great experience because of Dr. Winston and the entire cardiovascular and thoracic surgical team, and I am still amazed by how smoothly it all went."

A Cardiovascular Program to Love

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*Dave Ward, CEO
MedLink Georgia*



At MedLink Georgia we strive to provide comprehensive, coordinated, and continuous care to all our patients. We offer a broad array of primary and preventive care services for patients of all ages, including screening, diagnosis, and management of chronic illnesses. In addition to primary care, we also offer: pediatrics, behavioral health, diabetes and nutrition education, occupational & physical therapy, women's health, medication-assisted treatment, general dentistry and pharmacy services.

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Royston Medical Associates



(L-R): Stacy Reel, Ashley Harris Carter, Dr. David Harris and Kristen Harris Turner.



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HOSPITALS

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Elbert Memorial Hospital serves as the primary healthcare provider in Elbert County. In January 2020, Elbert Memorial Hospital became the first hospital in Georgia in nearly 20 years to convert to a Critical Access Hospital. The hospital is accredited by The Joint Commission and contributes over \$25 million annually to the state and local economies. The hospital offers a 24/7 emergency room and hospitalist services, inpatient care, laboratory services, radiology services (3D mammography, MRI, CT scan, ultrasound, nuclear medicine (general and cardiac), breast ultrasounds and breast biopsies), outpatient/inpatient rehabilitation and Swing Bed rehabilitation services (physical, occupational, and speech therapy), surgical services, wound and hyperbaric center, infusion center and Wellness Center.

Stephens County Hospital

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www.stephenscountyhospital.com

Tucked away in the mountains at the bottom of Toccoa Falls, Stephens County Hospital is the premier healthcare facility servicing Stephens and the surrounding counties. Our 96-bed facilities offers: 24/7 emergency services, sleep lab, radiology & imaging (CT, MRI, ultrasound, nuclear medicine, x-ray, 3D mammography, and bone density), rehabilitation services, a Labor & Delivery Unit with Level II Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, an Intensive Care Unit, Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehabilitation, surgical suites, and a Swing Bed Program. At Stephens County Hospital we are dedicated to excellence in healthcare with compassion for Every Life We Touch!

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St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital

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St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital is a non-profit hospital that is proud to serve the people of Franklin, Hart and Stephens counties – and beyond. As a recipient of the Healthgrades 2017 Patient Safety Excellence Award and receiving an A Rating from LeapFrog for 2 periods in a row, we provide mission-driven, high-quality healthcare. In partnership with our highly experienced medical staff, we are able to bring you specialty services close to home. Plus, as part of St. Mary's Health Care System, we can provide you with access to even higher levels of care when needed. Sacred Heart Hospital includes 56 private inpatient rooms, critical care unit, dedicated hospitalists, 24/7 emergency department, four surgical suites, mother/baby unit, laboratory, respiratory therapy, rehabilitation services (PT, OT and Speech/Language Pathology), sleep lab, imaging services (MRI, CT, ultrasound, nuclear medicine, x-ray and 3D mammography) wellness facility, and the spiritual care for which St. Mary's is known.

HOSPITALISTS

Stephens County Hospital/SouthlandMD

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At SouthlandMD, we believe in active management of our Hospitals with skilled, experienced clinicians to deliver optimal patient care and excel in patient and staff satisfaction. By obtaining medical providers that are committed to Stephens County Hospital, SouthlandMD is able to excel in the teamwork approach of medicine with the ancillary staff and promote camaraderie with the medical staff to assist in meeting community needs.

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Hospital Privileges: Stephens County Hospital



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Elbert Memorial Hospital

Laboratory

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The Laboratory of Elbert Memorial Hospital is dedicated to providing the utmost level of clinical care and accuracy 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It is fully accredited by the College of American Pathologists (CAP), Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA), and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Laboratory staff consists of a team of highly skilled professionals, including medical technologists, medical laboratory technicians and phlebotomists, who work together to provide valuable data to physicians utilizing up-to-date equipment and offering an extensive amount of testing services.

St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital

Laboratory Services

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NEPHROLOGY



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NEUROLOGY



Michael Steadham, MD

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Residency: Penn State University Hospital, Hershey, PA
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Certifications: Dr. Steadham is board certified in Neurology. He completed his residency in neurology at Penn State Hershey Medical Center where he earned the Neurology Resident Teaching Award in 2008 and was named Chief Resident in 2009. Dr. Steadham remained at Penn State for his neurophysiology fellowship where he was recognized as a leader among his peers.

NEUROSURGERY



Bryan Barnes, MD

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Medical School: University of Connecticut School of Medicine
Residency: Emory Affiliated Hospitals
Fellowship: Wake Forest University School of Medicine
Certifications: Dr. Barnes is a fellowship-trained, board-certified neurosurgeon with a particular interest in spine surgery. Dr. Barnes has focused on outpatient spine surgery and minimally invasive techniques that help speed patient recovery by using small incisions.
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Medical School: University of Pittsburgh
Residency: Strong Memorial Hospital and Queens Medical Center
Certifications: John V. Cuff, MD, is a fellowship-trained, board-certified neurosurgeon who has been in practice for 42 years. Dr. Cuff served on the Air Force, where he served as a general practitioner for four years. Following his military service, Dr. Cuff completed neurosurgery training at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C. He is a founding partner of Georgia Neurological Surgery and Comprehensive Spine and is certified by the American Board of Neurological Surgery.
Hospital Privileges: St. Mary's Healthcare System



Viren Vasudeva, MD

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Medical School: Medical College of Georgia
Residency: Harvard Medical School/Brigham and Women's Hospital
Certifications: Dr. Vasudeva is a fellowship-trained, board-eligible neurosurgeon with particular expertise in the treatment of complex spinal disorders as well as general cranial neurosurgery. Dr. Vasudeva completed his neurosurgery residency and a fellowship in spinal neurosurgery at Harvard Medical School at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Cambridge, Mass. He also taught neuro-anatomy lab for Harvard medical students and has published numerous peer-reviewed articles, book chapters and letters on neurosurgery.
Hospital Privileges: St. Mary's Healthcare System



Neil Woodall, MD

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Residency: Medical College of Georgia
Certifications: Dr. Woodall is a fellowship-trained, board-certified neurosurgeon with particular expertise in surgical treatment of complex and challenging neurosurgical problems, including brain aneurysms, brain and spinal blood vessel malformations (AVMs), and difficult-to-reach tumors. He completed an optional additional year of training in cerebrovascular and skull-base surgery at the world-renowned Barrow Neurological Institute in Phoenix, Arizona. He serves as St. Mary's medical director of neurosciences and is an associate clinical professor of neurosurgery at the Augusta University/UGA Medical Partnership in Athens.
Hospital Privileges: St. Mary's Healthcare System

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Renovations and upgrades have recently occurred in radiology department to bring new, state-of-the-art equipment to this community including nuclear stress tests, new MRI scanner, modified barium swallows, lung perfusion imaging, gallbladder imaging and new ultrasound equipment.

Inpatient and outpatient surgeries are performed at Elbert Memorial Hospital offering services in gynecology, general surgery, cataract surgery and orthopedic surgery.

Lake Russell Specialty Healthcare Services opened in 2016, now located in The Clyde and Jean Adams Medical Office Building located at 33 Chestnut Street, offering specialty services in general surgery and gynecology.

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Elbert Memorial Hospital



provided include outpatient evaluations, x-ray services and surgical procedures at Elbert Memorial Hospital. Other specialist physicians who are also seeing patients on the Elberton campus include cardiology, nephrology, and dermatology.

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Hospital Privileges: St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital



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OBSTETRICS & GYNECOLOGY



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Residency: Emory University Affiliated Hospitals

Certifications: Board certification by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Dr. White has served as Chief of Staff, Medical Director of Surgical Services, and Medical Director of Obstetrical and Pediatric Services for St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital

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OBSTETRICS & GYNECOLOGY

St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital

Mother Baby Unit

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St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital was awarded an 'A' in the spring 2021 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, a national distinction recognizing Sacred Heart's achievements protecting patients from harm and providing safer health care – the hospital's second consecutive 'A' safety grade.

The Leapfrog Group is an independent national watchdog organization committed to health care quality and safety. The Safety Grade assigns an 'A', 'B', 'C', 'D' or 'F' grade to all general hospitals across the country and is updated every six months. It is the only hospital ratings program based exclusively on hospitals' prevention of medical errors and other harms to patients in their care.

"To receive a Leapfrog safety grade of 'A' for one grading period is excellent, but to maintain that level of safety for two consecutive grading periods – a full year – is truly exceptional," said Sacred Heart Hospital President Jeff English. "I could not be prouder of our colleagues and providers and the dedication they demonstrate day-in and day-out to the safety of our patients."

"An 'A' safety grade is an elite designation that your community should be proud of," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "The past year has been extraordinarily difficult for hospitals, but St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital shows us it is possible to keep a laser focus on patients and their safety, no matter what it takes."

Developed under the guidance of a national Expert Panel, the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses up to 27 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to assign grades to more than 2,700 U.S. acute-care hospitals twice per year. The Hospital Safety Grade's methodology is peer-reviewed and fully transparent, and the results are free to the public.

About The Leapfrog Group

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, The Leapfrog Group is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps forward in the quality and safety of American health care. The flagship Leapfrog Hospital Survey and new Leapfrog Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Survey collect and transparently report hospital and ASC performance, empowering purchasers to find the highest-value care and giving consumers the lifesaving information, they need to make informed decisions. The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, Leapfrog's other main initiative, assigns letter grades to hospitals based on their record of patient safety, helping consumers protect themselves and their families from errors, injuries, accidents and infections.

About St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital

St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital is a not-for-profit community hospital serving the greater Franklin County area. Located in Lavonia, Ga., just off I-85, Sacred Heart is part of St. Mary's Health Care System, a member of Trinity Health. It is accredited by The Joint Commission and guided by the Mission of Trinity Health to be a compassionate and transforming healing presence within the community. Sacred Heart Hospital provides emergency care, inpatient care, critical care, surgical services, a mother/baby unit, numerous outpatient services and a wellness center. St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital is designated by the State of Georgia as a Remote Treatment Stroke Center.



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Athens Orthopedic Clinic

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Doctor of Nursing Practice: Augusta University

Certification: AACN Board Certified



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Certifications: A.S.O.P.A.

Hospital Privileges: Stephens County Hospital



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Hospital Privileges: Stephens County Hospital

PEDIATRICS



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Certifications: American Board of Pediatrics;
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Certification: American Board of Pediatrics



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Medical School: World University School of Medicine Santo Domingo

Residency: The Methodist Hospital of Brooklyn

Certification: American Board of Pediatrics



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Residency: Medical University of South Carolina

Certification: American Board of Pediatrics



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Medical Education: Medical College of Georgia

Residency: Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, GA

Certification: American Board of Pediatrics

PERSONAL CARE HOME

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 249 Hospital Dr. Toccoa, GA 30577
www.stephenscountyhospital.com

Stephens County Hospital believes that providing for the continuing needs of our senior citizen population is part of our mission. Located on the campus of Stephens County Hospital, our personal care homes provide two distinct levels of care— retirement living and personal care assistance— those centers are licensed by the State of Georgia. Services and amenities include private patios, medication supervision, planned meals, transportation to appointments, life enrichment activities and instructed exercise programs, social events, 24 hour security and emergency on— call service. Drop in for a tour or call Hayley at 706-282-5600.

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PHYSICAL REHABILITATION

Elbert Memorial Hospital

Rehabilitation Services

4 Medical Drive
Elberton, GA 30635
706-213-2546

Rehabilitation services provides both outpatient and inpatient. Elbert Memorial Hospital offers physical therapy, occupation therapy, and speech therapy to provide multidisciplinary patient-centered care. We see a variety of different diagnoses including, but not limited to, acute and chronic orthopedic and neurological disorders, wound care, post-surgical, and patients with a wide variety of medical problems who present with physical and mental debilitation.

St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital

Rehab Services

706-356-7800
367 Clear Creek Parkway, Lavonia, GA
www.stmaryssacredheart.org

St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital Rehabilitation Services offers both inpatient and outpatient services. In the acute care setting, our therapists strive to complete evaluations as soon as possible for best patient outcomes and they work diligently with patients, their families and our multi-disciplinary team for the most appropriate and safe discharge plan. Outpatient Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Services are offered five days a week. In addition, our trained speech language pathologists provide modified barium swallow studies on inpatient and outpatient basis.

Rehabilitation also works hand-in-hand with St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital Wellness Center to provide a smooth transition toward developing a healthy lifestyle. We are committed to improving quality of life by reducing pain and maximizing the functionality of patients with disabilities of physical injuries, including accidents, illness and stroke.

Swing Bed Program

Stephens County Hospital

706-282-4175
163 Hospital Drive, Toccoa, GA
www.stephenscountyhospital.com

Swing Bed Program is a Medicare certified-skilled nursing program that provides patients short-term rehabilitative therapy. In many cases patients are not ready to return home after a hospital stay. They need more time to strengthen and heal before they can step back into the routine of daily living. The Swing Bed Program offers the benefits of highly skilled health care professionals including nurses, case managers, and physical, occupational, speech and respiratory therapists. As a team they follow a written care plan to help each patient progress toward their prior level of function.

PHYSICAL THERAPY



Ben Ramsey, PTA, LAT

Physical Therapy Specialists and Balance Center

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PHYSICAL THERAPY



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Medical Education: Medical College of Georgia & Brenau University

Services Include: Orthopedic Rehabilitation, Neck/Back Pain, Vestibular & Balance, Therapeutic Massage, and Dry Needling.



Joseph Taylor, PT, DPT

Physical Therapy Specialists and Balance Center

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Medical Education: Augusta University (MCG) & Georgia College

Services Include: Orthopedic Rehabilitation, Neck/Back Pain, Joint Replacement, and Dry Needling.



Debra C. Yates, PT, MS

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Medical Education: Medical College of Georgia & Georgia State University

Services Include: Orthopedic Rehabilitation, Neck/Back Pain, Foot & Ankle Care, Vestibular & Balance Treatment, and Dry Needling.



Keaton Yearwood, PT, DPT

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Medical Education: University of North GA & North GA College & State University

Services Include: Orthopedic Rehabilitation, Neck/Back Pain, Joint Replacement, and Dry Needling.

Elbert Memorial Hospital

Swing Bed Program

Swing Bed Coordinator, Sally Turpin
4 Medical Drive, Elberton, GA 30635
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The goal of the Swing Bed Program is to provide a therapeutic atmosphere that assists patients with self-care and helps them work toward independent functioning. Swing Bed is a program designed to provide additional skilled care to those needing extra time to heal before returning home.

The Swing Bed Unit allows patients to move from acute care to skilled rehabilitation. If an emergency arises during rehab, patients can return to acute care, often remaining in the same room.

The Swing Bed Unit provides the same services as the skilled nursing unit at other healthcare facilities. This includes treatment to restore the ability to perform activities of daily living such as walking, climbing stairs, dressing and bathing.

PHYSICAL THERAPY

Southern Rehab Services

Stephens County Hospital
706-282-4461
163 Hospital Drive, Toccoa, GA
www.stephenscountyhospital.com

At Southern Rehab Services located on the second floor of Stephens County Hospital, our staff is dedicated to meeting the goals of our patients with rehabilitation needs ranging from minor set – backs to debilitating conditions. Our facility addresses physical therapy needs ranging from balance issues to amputee training. Occupational therapy offers hand therapy to sensory integration. Our friendly staff strives to help our patients of all ages reach their full potential and achieve success and daily living.

RADIATION ONCOLOGY



Craig J. Baden, MD
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Certifications: Radiation Oncology

RADIATION ONCOLOGY



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Certifications: Radiation Oncology



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RADIATION ONCOLOGY



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RADIOLOGY / IMAGING

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SLEEP DISORDERS

Stephens County Hospital

Diagnostic Sleep Lab

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St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital

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SURGERY



Stuart A. Babcock, M.D.

**Lake Russell Specialty Healthcare Services
Stuart A. Babcock, M.D. – General Surgery
Medical Director of Wound Hyperbaric Center**
33 Chestnut St., Elberton, GA 30635
706-213-2580

Medical School: Medical University of South Carolina
Residency: Orlando Regional Medical Center
Certification: American Board of Surgery
Hospital Privileges: Elbert Memorial Hospital, Elberton; Habersham County Medical Center, Demorest

SURGERY



Sergio Mejias, MD

General Surgery

Athens General & Colorectal Surgery

706-356-6894

367 Clear Creek Pkwy., Ste. 1007, Lavonia, GA 30553

www.stmarysmedicalgroup.com

Medical School: Medical College of Georgia

Residency: Medical College of Georgia

Certifications: Dr. Mejias is board certified in General Surgery and board certified by the American Board of Surgery. He completed his residency in surgery at the Medical College of Georgia.

Hospital Privileges: St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital



Brant Parramore, MD

General Surgery

Athens General & Colorectal Surgeons

706-356-6894

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Medical School: Medical College of Georgia

Residency: Medical College of Georgia

Certifications: Dr. Parramore is board certified by the American Board of Surgery. As a skilled endoscopic and laparoscopic surgeon, Dr. Parramore is able to use minimally invasive techniques for many procedures. Among the types of procedures he performs are breast surgery, including lumpectomy and mastectomy; thyroid surgery; gallbladder surgery; hernia repair; anti-reflux surgery; appendix surgery; stomach procedures; colon surgery; hemorrhoid disease, and colonoscopy and upper endoscopy.

Hospital Privileges: St. Mary's Healthcare System



Steve Shirley, MD

General Surgery

Athens General & Colorectal Surgeons

706-356-6894

355 Clear Creek Pkwy., Ste. 1007, Lavonia, GA 30553

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Medical School: Augusta University (Medical College of Georgia/GRU)

Residency: Augusta University (Medical College of Georgia/GRU)

Certifications: Board Certified by the American Board of Surgery, a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, and a member of the Medical Association of Georgia, the Crawford Long Medical Society, the Georgia Surgical Society, and the Society of Laparoscopic Surgeons. Dr. Shirley is a native of Franklin County and has practiced in Athens for more than 30 years. He provides a wide range of general surgery services. As a skilled laparoscopic surgeon, he is able to use minimally invasive techniques for many procedures.

Hospital Privileges: St. Mary's Health Care System

St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital

Surgical Services • 706-356-7800

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The Surgical Services Department at St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital includes four operating room suites, two endoscopy rooms, a seven-bay post-anesthesia care unit (PACU) and a 14-bed outpatient surgery area. Surgical services include general; OB/GYN; orthopedic; gastroenterology; ophthalmology; and podiatry.

Today, the majority of surgical services are delivered on an outpatient basis. St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital was designed around a "medical mall" concept, which provides easy access to each type of service while ensuring the privacy and dignity of patients.

SURGERY - OUTPATIENT

Stephens County Hospital

Surgery - Outpatient

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Wound and Hyperbaric Center

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Elberton, GA 30635

706-213-2512

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Edward C. Gambrell, Jr. Wound Care & Hyperbaric Center

Stephens County Hospital

706-282-5800 • 1025 Falls Road, Toccoa, GA

www.stephenscountyhospital.com

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