Who We Are

Piedmont Augusta, formerly University Hospital, was founded in 1818 and is the oldest and largest hospital in our region and the second oldest in Georgia. This 812-bed, not-for-profit community hospital provides acute-care services and encompasses two campuses, including Piedmont Augusta Summerville Campus, and serves 25 counties across two states. The hospital joined the Piedmont family on March 1, 2022, and leads the region in safety, quality and price transparency. Piedmont Augusta gives back to our community in other ways, including delivering a statewide economic impact of more than $1 billion annually, and providing the greater Augusta community with more than $30 million annually in indigent and charity care.

Piedmont Augusta continues to train tomorrow’s caregivers with our School of Radiography and School of Cardiovascular Technology, and by mentoring interns and residents. Piedmont Augusta has set the standard regionally in heart and vascular care, orthopedics, neurosciences, cancer services, minimally invasive surgeries and obstetrics and gynecology.

Major Services

Cardiology Services & Vascular Care:
• State-of-the-art Piedmont Heart Institute
• Structural Heart Program
• Advanced Heart Failure Program
• Mechanical Circulatory Support Program
• Electrophysiology therapies
• Device Clinic
• Open-heart surgery
• Comprehensive vascular therapies
• Catheterization procedures
• Diagnostic Cardiovascular Imaging Program
• Cardiovascular research
• Left Ventricular Assist Device implantation for destination therapy
• Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement
• MitraClip for severe mitral valve regurgitation
• Vein Center
• Coumadin Clinic
• Helipad

Oncology Services:
• Nurse navigators for breast and GI cancer patients
• Genetic counseling
• Survivorship care plans
• Inpatient oncology unit staffed with certified oncology nurses
• On-staff certified oncology social worker

2023 Facts and Figures

• 4,000+ Employees
• 2,868 Newborn Deliveries
• 64,227 Emergency Department Visits
• 15,774 Surgical Cases
• 448,158 Outpatient Visits
• 250,134 Radiology Procedures
• 21,501 Inpatient Admissions

* Fiscal year 2023 is July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

Community Outreach Programs

Mobile Mammography Unit
Free Pre- and Post-Natal Education
Community and Corporate Health Fairs
Support Groups For:
• Bariatrics
• Breast Cancer
• GI Cancer
• Metastatic Cancer

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Major Services (continued)

- Nationally accredited Breast Health Center
- Breast Health Imaging Center
- Mobile mammography unit
- 3D digital mammography
- Comprehensive cancer registry
- Lymphedema program
- Support groups and cancer education

Emergency Services:
- 24-hour emergency care

Inpatient Drug & Alcohol Withdrawal Treatment Program

Orthopaedics & Spine:
- Orthopaedic & Spine Center
- Anterior approach total hip replacement
- Spine surgery
- Hand, elbow and shoulder reconstruction and trauma surgery
- Knee replacement surgery
- Ligament repair

Surgical Services:
- Surgical Care Center
- Day Surgery Center
- Da Vinci Xi robotic system for minimally invasive surgery
- Mako robotic system for hip and knee replacement surgery

Women’s Health Services:
- W.G. Watson, M.D., Women’s Center
- Obstetrics and gynecology care
- Labor and delivery services
- Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
- Level III Perinatal Center
- On-floor operating suites
- Breast Milk Lab
- Board-certified lactation consultants
- Gestational diabetes program

Awards and Recognitions

- American College of Cardiology's NCDR Chest Pain - MI Registry Gold Performance Achievement Award, 2022
- The American Heart Association's Gold Plus Get With the Guidelines® Stroke Honor Roll Elite Award, 2023
- The American Heart Association's Target: Stroke Gold Plus Award, 2023
- The American Heart Association's Target: Type 2 Diabetes Honor Roll Award, 2023
- Named No. 1 in region by “US News & World Report” and 14th in Georgia, 2023-2024
- Ranked “High Performing” in seven reportable conditions or procedures by “US News & World Report,” 2023-2024, including:
  - Colon cancer surgery
  - Heart failure
  - Heart attack
  - Kidney failure
  - Knee replacement
  - Diabetes
  - Leukemia, lymphoma & myeloma

Accreditations

- Fully Accredited by DNV GL Healthcare
- Accreditation by the Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery Accreditation and Quality Improvement Program for Piedmont Augusta's Weight Management & Bariatric Surgery Center
- Level 1 Emergency Cardiac Care Center designation from the Georgia Department of Public Health
- Accreditation by the Commission on Cancer, a program of the American College of Surgeons
- Credentialed as a Ventricular Assist Device facility by DNV GL Healthcare
- Full Cycle Five Chest Pain Center with Primary PCI accreditation from the Society of Cardiovascular Patient Care
- Blue Distinction Center+ designation for knee and hip replacement from Blue Cross Blue Shield®
- Blue Distinction Center+ designation for spine surgery from Blue Cross Blue Shield®
- Accreditation by the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers for Piedmont Augusta's Breast Health Center, the first established breast center in our area
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- Credentialed as a Primary Stroke Center by DNV GL Healthcare
- Advanced certification in knee and hip replacement by DNV GL Healthcare