

MSK Care, Closer to Home

Take a look inside MSK's latest addition to its regional care network.



› Patients can come to MSK Bergen for standard treatments as well as surgical, medical, and radiation oncology consultations. They may also be able to take part in MSK's many clinical trials at the regional site. Breast medical oncologist Rui Wang helps enroll patients in trials.

Stepping through the doors of MSK Bergen, you might be surprised by what you see. The bright, thoughtfully designed space is open and welcoming, with beautiful artwork. There's a quiet café where you can find a comfortable spot for a cup of coffee and a snack. In this calming setting, it's easy to forget for just a moment that you've entered a state-of-the-art cancer care facility with more than 35 doctors and almost 200 clinical and administrative staff.

“When people walk in the building, I think they feel invited. They feel welcomed,” says Nurse Leader Kristy Dunleavy.

Opened in June 2018 and located in Montvale, New Jersey, the two-story, 110,000-square-foot treatment space marks MSK's seventh freestanding outpatient center outside of New York City and its third in the Garden State. It joins MSK Basking Ridge and MSK Monmouth, in Middletown. All three New Jersey sites are part of MSK's partnership with Hackensack Meridian *Health*.

“Being able to get the best cancer care anywhere, and being able to get it near where you live, in your neighborhood, that's really important,” says Matthew Matasar, MSK Bergen's Regional Care Network Medical Site Director.

Meticulously designed to offer a comfortable, personalized experience, MSK Bergen provides area residents with many of the same world-class services offered in Manhattan, just closer to their homes. “MSK Bergen is MSK,” explains Dr. Matasar. “We're bringing what we do best to a new region.”

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- ▲ MSK Bergen has 18 private infusion bays, with nurses stationed right outside. Each sunny space is equipped with personal touchscreen monitors, providing access to entertainment, Internet, food delivery, and MSK resources.
- The facility is home to advanced diagnostic tools, including CT/MRI machines and mammography services. With two on-site linear accelerators, staffed by highly experienced radiation therapists, patients can receive radiation treatments down the hall from their doctors. The facility also includes three treatment rooms for office-based outpatient procedures.





▲ There's much more to cancer care than treating the disease. MSK Bergen offers many supportive services, including rehabilitation, genetic testing, social work, acupuncture, pain management, and nutrition counseling.

▲ The facility includes an on-site lab, which means important testing can be done quickly, reducing the time patients need to wait for results.



▶ MSK Bergen offers visitors many quiet, comfortable spaces throughout the facility, like the waiting area pictured here.