Inspired!

Where Your Heart is the Heart of the Matter

Learn about the world-renowned team behind the new, donor-supported cardiovascular suite and Ghiringhelli hybrid operating room at St. Helena Hospital... a trailblazing test for the most feared cancers... a heart-to-heart with the pioneering cardiologist saving lives and limbs from peripheral artery disease, and more...

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Cardiothoracic surgeons like atrial fibrillation (A-fib). VATS Maze that can treat challenging surgeon for a procedure called approachable manner, you might Gan Dunnington, MD has such an.

As Director of Cardiothoracic World Class Maze Team: Live Your Best Life,

“knowledgeable, very communicative...”

Ghiringhelli Hybrid Operating Room. Soon, this state-of-the-art space will officially begin saving hearts and lives. So advanced, only a...
An Early Screening Test for Some of Society’s Most Feared Cancers

70% of the cancer deaths in the US are caused by cancers for which there is no screening tool. Then came Galleri®. IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU LOVE IS AGE 50 OR OLDER, this multi-cancer early detection test could save your life, and your generosity is helping St. Helena Hospital’s Candace Westgate, DO roll out this first-of-its-kind test right here in Napa Valley...

Cell-free DNA isn’t something most of us give any thought to as we go about our daily lives. But thanks to your support for nationally recognized local healthcare, St. Helena Hospital’s Candace Westgate, DO – Director of the Adventist Health Early All-Around Detection (AHEAD) Team – has been immersed in the cancer-detecting world of cell-free DNA for more than a decade.

The test that ‘sees’ cancer
Dr. Westgate explains cell-free DNA like this: “Every cell, when it dies, releases its DNA into our bloodstream – and we’ve learned that normal-cell DNA versus cancer-cell DNA looks very different in the blood. The Grail Galleri® test is a revolutionary. With just two vials of blood it screens for those DNA cancer signals, for over 50 cancers at the same time. And it’s best at detecting pancreatic, ovarian, colon, and liver cancers – the ones we often don’t pick up until Stage III or IV, because that’s the first time patients actually get symptoms. But that’s way too late. Grail Galleri® can help us catch those cancers at Stage I or II – before they’ve spread too far – when survival rates are much higher and the treatment isn’t nearly as harsh.”

How you can help more, how to get tested
With your continued support by Dr. Westgate’s side, she hopes to give back to the community by testing the hardworking hearts and hands who serve us on a daily basis, including Napa Valley firefighters and farmworkers with potentially high risk of exposure. She’s quick to add that the Galleri® test does not replace already life-saving screenings for breast, colorectal, cervical, prostate, and lung cancers. But, especially for people starting age 50 – when cancer risk is 20 times higher than someone under age 20 – adding Galleri® to existing guideline-recommended screenings could detect three times more cancers, far sooner. And that’s good news we could all use.

To learn if Grail Galleri® is right for you or someone you love – contact your healthcare provider. Or call the AHEAD team at 707-967-7550. Thank you for supporting the pioneering work of St. Helena Hospital Foundation!

FOUR Women’s Choice Awards!

One of the top trusted resources for women – and based on rigorous clinical and patient care criteria – the Women’s Choice Award represents “the strongest and most important consumer message in today’s healthcare marketplace.” So it is with deep pride that we thank Women’s Choice for naming St. Helena Hospital one of 2022’s America’s Best Hospitals in Emergency Care, Cardiology, Stroke Care, and Heart Care.

Thank you for making St. Helena Hospital your #1 choice!
Upcoming Events

Visit shhfoundation.org/events for all the news on upcoming events to celebrate and support the lifesaving healthcare at St. Helena Hospital.

THE NEIGHBORHOOD TABLE IS BACK!
Join 500 of your neighbors on May 21 at this one-of-a-kind, family-style al fresco dining experience that strengthens the vital services of St. Helena Hospital. Thank you to our top sponsors: Deloitte, Debra & Bill Cary, Elaine & Rick Jones, Cathy & Steve Fink, Central Valley, Clif Family Foundation, Frank Family Vineyards and Leslie & Rich Frank, Deborah & Kenneth Novack, Nancy & Joe Schoendorf, Nena Talcott and The Doctors Company.

ROCKOUT/KNOCKOUT CANCER – PREMIER EVENT!
Let’s all COME TOGETHER on Thursday, May 19 at The Charter Oak for the first annual Rockout/Knockout Cancer event supporting St. Helena Hospital’s early detection programs, including Dr. Candace Westgate’s pioneering work with the Galleri® multi-cancer early detection blood test. Thank you for your love of community!

DON’T MISS OUT: Sign up for our online newsletter at shhfoundation.org/get-newsletter to be alerted early for next year’s events. Hope to see you there!