

Oncology-Hematology Clinic in Meridian Rebrands to Gem State Cancer & Blood Specialists

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Summit Cancer Centers rebrands part of the practice to Gem State Cancer & Blood Specialists to better serve local cancer patients.

MERIDIAN, **Idaho**, **September 12**, **2022** – Medical Oncologist <u>Dr. Stephanie Hodson</u> announced the rebranding of her practice from Summit Cancer Centers to <u>Gem State Cancer & Blood Specialists</u>. The clinic changed its name on September 12 and is accepting new patients.

Gem State Cancer & Blood Specialists is one of 25 practices that are part of the <u>American Oncology Network</u>. <u>LLC</u> (AON), a growing national network of community-based oncology practices, that has access to resources and support to ensure patients continue to receive high-quality cancer care within their own community. The clinic is located at 2855 E. Magic View Drive, Suite B, and delivers personalized oncology and hematology care.



Stephanie Hodson, MD

Medical Oncologist

Gem State Cancer & Blood Specialists

The practice is equipped to deliver the latest care and treatments for patients diagnosed with cancer and blood disorders and has been specifically designed to deliver patient care in an environment that promotes health and wellness. Services provided at the clinic are vast and include an in-house lab and pathology, a specialty pharmacy, chemotherapy, care management and financial counseling. The clinic also offers Paxman scalp cooling for hair-loss prevention during chemotherapy treatment.

"The Gem State Cancer & Blood Specialists brand captures the beauty that is Idaho and is an ode to the state's gem heritage," said Dr. Hodson. "Being born and raised in Idaho, it is an honor to serve my community in such a way that brings about improved health outcomes for those fighting cancer and blood disorder diagnoses."

Boise native <u>Dr. Stephanie Hodson</u> is a Board-certified medical oncologist and hematologist. She brings over 20 years' experience treating various malignancies and hematologic disorders. She obtained her medical degree from the University of Washington and completed her fellowship training in medical oncology and hematology at Oregon Health Sciences University. Joining her at Gem State Cancer & Blood Specialists is certified physician assistant Katherine Mondada.

"The growth and expansion of Dr. Hodson's practice to Gem State Cancer & Blood Specialists show the level of commitment to delivering cancer care options to the residents of Meridian, Boise and surrounding communities," said AON Chief Executive Officer Todd Schonherz. "We look forward to continuing to support Dr. Hodson in her initiatives to deliver top-notch care and services to her patients."

To learn more about Gem State Cancer & Blood Specialists, visit www.GemStateCancerBloodSpecialists.com.

About Gem State Cancer & Blood Specialists

Specialists in the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and blood disorders, <u>Gem State Cancer & Blood Specialists</u> providers have been serving patients in the Meridian and Boise, Idaho, areas for more than 20 years. As a community-based practice, we offer a full range of exceptional cancer services, providing the highest quality treatment based on research and focused on the whole person.

About American Oncology Network, LLC

The American Oncology Network, LLC (AON), an Inc. 5000-recognized company, is an alliance of physicians and seasoned healthcare leaders partnering to ensure the long-term success of community oncology. Launched in 2018, the rapidly expanding AON network represents 108 physicians and 89 nurse practitioners and physician assistants practicing across 16 states. The executive management team of AON encompasses more than three decades of oncology practice management experience, enabling physicians to focus on what matters most — providing the highest quality care for patients.

The organization provides unique and comprehensive protocols for managing administrative procedures and enhancing ancillary services for its affiliates. AON is able to aggregate volume and attain economies of scale, as it guides its member physicians and practices through the transition to value-based reimbursement models that improve the patient experience and help to reduce the per-capita cost of cancer care.

AON also provides a unique model of physician-led, community-based oncology management. With services such as a centralized specialty pharmacy, diagnostics, pathology, fully integrated electronic medical records, a care management team and a variety of financial assistance programs, an alliance with AON ensures that patients' experiences are at the very pinnacle of cancer care today. Learn more at aoncology.com.

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