

# Did You Know?

The cancer programs at Saint Joseph's Hospital and Marshfield Clinic have earned Approval with Commendation from the Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons.

## What does this mean?

- ◆ The Commission on Cancer (CoC) approval is nationally recognized as an indicator of commitment to quality. The CoC standards promote timely coordinated cancer care and continuous review of quality care, which directly affects patient care.
- ◆ The CoC is dedicated to the review of cancer programs, including prevention, early diagnosis, pretreatment evaluation, cancer staging, optimal treatment, rehabilitation, surveillance for recurrent disease and multiple primary tumors, psychosocial support and end-of-life care.
- ◆ The Marshfield program offers comprehensive specialists and related services on site, including oncology services in gynecology, hematology, neurology, pediatrics, ENT, orthopedics and surgical, as well as radiation oncology, autologous stem cell transplant, nuclear medicine, pathology, behavioral health, interventional radiology, research, inpatient and outpatient chemotherapy and infusion services, and genetic evaluation and counseling.
- ◆ Receiving care at a CoC-approved cancer program assures patients will receive:
  - ~ Quality care
  - ~ Comprehensive care offering a range of state-of-the-art specialists, services and equipment.
  - ~ A multi-specialty team approach to coordinate the best treatment options.
  - ~ Access to cancer-related information, education and support.
  - ~ A cancer registry that collects data on type and stage of cancers and treatment results, and offers lifelong patient follow-up.
  - ~ Ongoing monitoring and improvement of care.
  - ~ Access to clinical trials and new treatment options.