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Advancing Breast Health: Innovative Technology for West Palm Beach Women Veterans

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. – The West Palm Beach VA Healthcare System (WPBVAHCS) is proud to announce a new milestone for Women Veteran care with the introduction of Stereotactic Breast Biopsy.

Stereotactic breast biopsy uses mammography – a specific type of breast imaging that uses low-dose x-rays — to help locate a breast abnormality and remove a tissue sample for examination under a microscope. It is less invasive than surgical biopsy, leaves little to no scarring and can be an excellent way to evaluate calcium deposits or tiny masses that are not visible on ultrasound.



Pictured: Chief of Imaging Service Dr. David Mullin with the Stereotactic Breast Biopsy Machine.

"This is another example of our commitment to expand programs and services to meet the needs of all Veterans," said WPBVAHCS Chief of Staff Dr. Ronald Williams. "Women Veterans are our fastest growing patient population, which is why we must continue to evolve and adapt."

The unveiling of this new service comes during Breast Cancer Awareness Month. With this technology available in-house, the VA can offer a wider range of access for breast health by minimizing wait times and allowing for convenience and continuity of care within the VA healthcare system.

To learn more about same day mammography services, new advancements in health care or to speak to an expert, contact the West Palm Beach VA Healthcare System Public Affairs Office at 561-422-8607.