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Marian Breast Care Program Named Santa Barbara County's 5th District Service Organization of the Year

Marian Medical Center's Breast Care Program earns Santa Barbara County Commission for Women's 5th District Service Organization of the Year Award

SANTA MARIA, CA – (March 26, 2010) Marian Medical Center's Breast Care Program recently earned a coveted award recognition from the Santa Barbara County Commission for Women's 2010 County Service Awards. The Marian Breast Care Program has been honored as the 5th District Service Organization of the Year by the Santa Barbara County Commission for Women.

This outstanding recognition is awarded to Santa Barbara County organizations who demonstrate their commitment and service to the Santa Barbara and surrounding communities. Specifically, Marian's Breast Care Program is receiving the honor for the excellent level of care delivered to patients through the breast care program. The Breast Care Program, along with Marian Cancer Care Services and the Marian Breast Imaging Center, collaboratively provide individual education and constant support from the time of biopsy throughout the course of treatment.

Patients in the Breast Care Program are comforted knowing that they are in the hands of a dedicated breast health expert team, a team committed to the detection and treatment of breast diseases. This multidisciplinary team, comprised of breast specialists and our Breast Care Navigator, is committed to delivering patient care with the utmost compassion.

Breast Care Navigator, Liz Elliott, is a valuable resource and enhances patients' access to all Marian's breast health services. Liz ensures that delivery care is streamlined and efficient. For the past 20 years the Commission for Women has celebrated March as Women's History Month by honoring local organizations who have advocated for women in our community. On March 16, the Commission for Women held a public ceremony before the County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors to honor and celebrate the many achievements of the Marian Breast Care Program and the other Santa Barbara County District recipients.

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About Marian Medical Center

Located in Santa Maria, California, Marian Medical Center is a not-for-profit hospital founded by the Sisters of Saint Francis in 1940. Our team of 1,300 employees and more than 260 physicians work daily to extend the mission of providing compassionate, high quality health care services to the Santa Maria Valley and surrounding communities. Marian Medical Center is a member of Catholic Healthcare West, the largest Catholic healthcare system based in the Western United States with 40 hospitals and medical centers in California, Arizona and Nevada. For more information about Marian Medical Center or Catholic Healthcare West, visit our website at www.marianmedicalcenter.org.