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Belladonna Breast Imaging Center, the only independently owned, dedicated breast imaging center on the Eastside, announces opening

Marita Acheson M.D., Board Certified and expert Breast Imaging Radiologist in the Northwest, to Head New Center

BELLEVUE, WA – Belladonna Breast Imaging Center PLLC, (BBIC) announced today that it will be opening for patient care on Wednesday, February 24, 2010. Directed and founded by Marita Acheson M.D., BBIC will offer the latest available integrated digital technology, and will be the only independent female owned center dedicated entirely to breast imaging services in the region. With a staff of 10, the Center will perform screening mammograms and diagnostic examinations, ultrasound exams with shear wave elastography, (the latest FDA approved ultrasound technology), ultrasound guided and stereotactic biopsies, fine needle aspirations, cyst aspirations and pre-operative guide-wire localizations.

“I wanted to create a center where patients can come to receive breast imaging services with the latest technology and the highest possible quality of care. Our hand selected team is as passionate about breast health care as I am,” Acheson says, adding “this is a place where women will know and feel that they matter.”

Marita Acheson M.D. was the founder and president of Breast Imaging Associates previously based at Overlake Hospital Breast Health Center from 2000-2009. During that time, the level of patient care and customer service ratings improved. In conjunction with hospital leadership, the department was converted from film-screen to digital technology. Dr. Acheson has devoted her practice solely to breast imaging. The Federal minimum requirement for mammographic film interpretation is 480 screening mammograms per year. Dr. Acheson reads over 7,000 breast imaging exams annually for a total of approximately 100,000 during the last 15 years.

Dr. Acheson received her degree in Physiology from Oxford University in England, and a medical degree at the University College Hospital Medical School in London. She completed an Internal Medicine Residency in the National Health Service, UK. This was followed by a Radiology Residency and a Fellowship in Mammography and Chest Radiology at the University of Washington.

Belladonna Breast Imaging Center is located at Eastside Professional Center, 1810 116th Avenue NE, Suite 101, Bellevue, WA 98004. Appointments can be made by calling 425.974.1044.

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