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BAMF Health Brings World's Most Advanced Diagnostics and Treatment for Stage 4 Prostate Cancer and Neuroendocrine Cancer to Michigan

Gov. Whitmer praises innovation, declares BAMF is fueling Michigan Cancer Moonshot

Grand Rapids, Mich. - BAMF Health hosted the grand opening of its global headquarters today in Grand Rapids, Mich., where the medical innovation company has begun to deliver the world's most advanced molecular diagnostics and treatment capable of eradicating metastatic prostate cancer tumors and neuroendocrine cancer tumors.

"We can offer treatment for late-stage prostate cancer and neuroendocrine cancer now," said BAMF CEO and Founder, Dr. Anthony Chang at the event. "For other cancers like breast, brain, colon, and lung, we can offer the most advanced imaging and staging. We're open, we're treating patients, and we can help."

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer joined Chang, along with U.S. Rep. Peter Meijer, MSU Executive Vice President of Health Services, Dr. Norman Beauchamp, Jr., and Meijer Co-chair, Doug Meijer, to talk about the impact BAMF will have on patient outcomes.

"By partnering with Michigan's healthcare systems and medical schools, and renowned cancer care institutions across the nation, BAMF Health will drive more R&D, expand access to the most advanced cancer care in the world and save lives," said Governor Whitmer. "I am excited about today's announcement that BAMF will build their second Michigan location in Detroit, expanding access and closing health gaps. BAMF's presence on the Medical Mile and future expansion in Southeast Michigan will build on our strength in the life sciences and health care industries, diversifying our economy and creating good-paying jobs for Michiganders."

At the event, Chang announced plans to build a second Michigan location in Detroit and to partner with renowned healthcare institutions to expand operations in cities across the U.S.

"Site selection and partnership discussions are underway for our second Michigan location in Detroit. We are also in active discussions to expand across the country," said Chang. "We look forward to sharing more news about expansion in the months ahead."

BAMF Health's flagship facility is the first in the world, coming to Grand Rapids after the BAMF Health team saw success in a clinic in Bad Berka, Germany. There, physicians treated thousands of end-stage prostate cancer and metastatic neuroendocrine cancer patients since

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2013. Several patients treated in Germany for what has been considered untreatable stage 4 prostate cancer have remained cancer-free past the 5-year mark—with the first reaching that milestone in late 2021.

“This is a very powerful tool to have when fighting metastatic cancer,” said Dr. Harshad Kulkarni, who joined BAMF Health in Grand Rapids as chief medical advisor in July. “With a dedicated team, radiopharmacy and the most cutting-edge scanners all under one roof, I am excited and confident that we will deliver the best care and medicine to patients who need it most.”

Kulkarni previously served as attending physician in charge of Radiomolecular Theranostics in the clinic in Bad Berka, Germany.

“I was given hope and healing in Germany, but I know traveling that distance for medical treatment simply isn’t an option for most people,” said Meijer, who helped inspire and fund BAMF’s launch. “That’s why it is so important to bring this life-saving treatment to the U.S. This is the first step in building a platform that enables affordable and accessible treatment to patients that need it most all across the country.”

BAMF Health broke ground on its Grand Rapids headquarters and clinics in August 2021. The \$40 million, 60,000-square-foot facility is located in the Doug Meijer Medical Innovation Building in downtown Grand Rapids. The facility houses a dual-cyclotron-equipped radiopharmacy, a molecular imaging clinic employing the fastest and most accurate total-body PET/CT scanner in the world, the world’s most advanced and Michigan’s first PET/MRI scanner, and a non-invasive molecular treatment clinic that employs the world’s most advanced digital SPECT/CT scanner. All three scanners are being deployed for the first time in a clinical setting in the U.S.

“Conventional scanners can detect signs of cancer around one centimeter in size, but the total body PET/CT scanner can detect tumors that are less than two millimeters in size,” said Dr. Brandon Mancini, medical director of BAMF Health Grand Rapids. “It can also tell us the molecular composition of those tumors. That means we can find and treat cancer earlier and far more effectively than before, helping to achieve the optimal outcome for each patient.”

The precision targeting of this novel therapy means the radiopharmaceuticals used in treatment attack only the cancer, not surrounding healthy tissue.

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“One of the most incredible benefits of this advanced therapy is it will not only save lives, it will allow patients to continue to live their lives without suffering from the side effects of traditional chemotherapy and radiation treatments,” said Chang. “Our mindset is patient-focused every step of the way. The available treatments and quality of care are unprecedented.”

While cancer is the focus today, BAMF Health is building the platform to address neurodegenerative diseases like Alzheimer’s and Parkinson’s, as well as PTSD, mental health disorders, endometriosis and many other devastating diseases. The company is forging partnerships with global pharmaceutical and tech companies, as well as world leaders in biomedical research and cancer care, to conduct clinical research and expand the applications and reach of this life saving technology. BAMF Health is also in discussions with renowned healthcare institutions to explore opportunities to expand its footprint nationwide.

Patients can visit BAMFHealth.com/patients and complete a referral form to begin the evaluation process. A team member from BAMF Health will follow up to discuss diagnostic and treatment options.

BAMF Health images and additional media materials are available at BAMFHealth.com/grandopening.

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ABOUT BAMF HEALTH

BAMF Health is a health innovation company employing molecular imaging and non-invasive molecular therapy to pinpoint and effectively treat cancer and neurodegenerative diseases. Currently, BAMF is treating stage 4 prostate cancer patients and neuroendocrine cancer patients. Ultimately, BAMF will apply their advanced technology and precision medicine platform to diagnose and treat a wide range of cancers, neurodegenerative diseases, heart disease, endometriosis, chronic pain and other diseases and conditions. The BAMF Health headquarters in Grand Rapids, Michigan, houses the most advanced dual cyclotron-equipped radiopharmacy, molecular imaging clinic, and non-invasive molecular treatment clinic in the world. When employing their technology and AI capabilities to the fullest in the years ahead, BAMF will be the first entity anywhere in the world to provide same-day onsite AI-based precision cancer diagnosis and treatment outside of a clinical trial setting.