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LECOM Breaks Ground on New Ambulatory Surgery Center

ERIE, Pa. (May 20, 2022) — LECOM officially broke ground at the site of the future Ambulatory Surgery Center located at the corner of Bryant St. and Peach St. during a ceremony Friday, May 20.

The 23,000-square-foot Ambulatory Surgery Center is forecasted to be complete in 15 months and will allow for same-day surgery procedures that are generally too complicated to take place inside doctors' offices but not complex enough to require a lengthy hospital stay.

"The Ambulatory Surgery Center demonstrates our commitment to and progress toward the future of medicine," said Anthony Ferretti, D.O. "Outpatient surgery will be the focus of this new \$14.5 million facility. It will feature advanced medical technologies and enhanced services among multiple specialties."

Dr. Anthony Ferretti was joined by John M. Ferretti, D.O., president and CEO of Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, Silvia M. Ferretti, D.O., provost, senior vice president and dean of academic affairs at Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, County Executive Brenton Davis, Millcreek Township Supervisor Kim Clear, and state and local representatives at the ceremony. Monsignor David Rubino served as emcee.

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This year, the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) is celebrating its 30th anniversary. Founded in 1992, the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) has grown to become the largest medical school in the country. Enrollment in the College of Osteopathic Medicine, School of Pharmacy, School of Dental Medicine, School of Health Services Administration and Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences has surpassed 4,400 students at campuses in Erie and Greensburg, Pa., Bradenton, Fla., and Elmira, N.Y. LECOM consistently graduates more primary care physicians than any other U.S. medical college while maintaining one of the lowest tuitions of any private medical school in the country. The college is the core of the nation's only osteopathic academic health center, LECOM Health, a highly innovative, multifaceted health care and education system. Today over 16,000 LECOM alumni are providing health care to patients across the U.S.