

A Cheerful New Brooklyn Location for Highest-Quality Mammograms and Ultrasounds



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Despite advances in early detection and treatment methods, breast cancer still affects one in nine American women. NYU Langone Health doctors, following the recommendations of the American Cancer Society, advise women to have mammograms—the X-ray test that's considered the gold standard for breast cancer screening—every year starting at age 40 (earlier if they are at increased risk).

NYU Langone Health has [17 locations](#) offering the screening procedure, including a full-service breast imaging center that recently opened in Brooklyn: [NYU Langone Radiology—Fort Hamilton](#) (8721 5th Avenue).

"The new center continues our endeavor to provide Brooklyn patients with the highest-quality breast imaging and breast cancer care available," says [Samantha Heller, MD, PhD](#), the section chief for breast imaging for Manhattan and Brooklyn. "When we identify cancerous growths early, Brooklyn patients will get treatment faster and ultimately lives will be saved." New artificial intelligence technology helps the radiologists interpret mammograms more accurately and help detect breast cancer earlier.

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"It's very cheerful and well-designed," adds Dr. Heller. "Getting a mammogram can produce anxiety for some, so it was important to create a welcoming environment." The facility boasts four spacious rooms for the vast array of examinations and tests available.

NYU Langone Radiology—Fort Hamilton also offers bone density testing to identify osteoporosis, says [Soterios Gyftopoulos, MD, MBA](#), chief of radiology at NYU Langone Hospital—Brooklyn. "Bone density screenings are crucial for the Brooklyn population," says Dr. Gyftopoulos, who worked alongside Heller to open the new location since fall 2023 to set the stage for the new location. "If you get a diagnosis of osteoporosis early, you can avoid some of the potential negative outcomes, such as fractures of your spine or hip. Osteoporosis can be serious for older populations."

The location's staff includes board-certified breast radiologists as well as a team of technologists and nurses, plus front desk administrative support to make visitors feel as comfortable as possible.

With the opening of our brand-new imaging center in Fort Hamilton and an equipment upgrade at our world-class ambulatory imaging center in Bay Ridge, we now offer the full spectrum of women's imaging to our Brooklyn patients.

Adds Dr. Heller, "Patients have been telling me how wonderful the space is, and how happy they are to be here."