Members of the WCH Cancer Care Team
Welcome Dr. Efewongbe Oleghe

Dr. Efewongbe Oleghe has an engaging response when asked when she knew she wanted to become a medical doctor. Her eyes twinkle, she smiles warmly, and then she explains that she probably knew from the day she was born. “As long as I can remember, I have known I was going to be a doctor. I grew up always hearing, ‘You are going to be a doctor.’ I could not think of anything else,” she recalls of the way her parents encouraged her caring personality and her love of science toward a career in internal medicine.

Growing up in Lagos, Nigeria, Dr. Oleghe was the youngest of four siblings. She describes Lagos as “bustling, fun and busy.” “If I was going to compare it to a city in America, it would be New York City,” she says.

Her dad worked in various fields involving insurance and medicine. At one point, he worked for the World Health Organization. Dr. Oleghe has an internal medicine.

She did not exactly plan to complete her residency in the United States after wrapping up her medical studies in Nigeria. But Cupid had other ideas. She met her husband, Ifijen, at a diabetes conference in Lagos. They married in 2010 and both completed medical residencies in Cleveland, OH.

The family now lives in Copley. Daughter Zoe is 5 and son Aslan is 3. She says she looks forward to working for the Wooster Community Hospital Health System/Bloomington Internal Medicine and being a part of the community.

“I never really talked much to recruiters, but one day, one called me and I looked at it and just fell in love with it,” she recalled of her first visit to Wooster and to WCH. “It’s a community that prides itself in what it has and what it has become,” she added.

For more information or to schedule an appointment with Dr. Oleghe please call 330.202.3477.

Welcome...
Robert and Andra Gearhart have always been active people and lovers of the great outdoors. So much so that they can now boast they own two homes, both on wheels, one at a campground in Texas and one at a campground in Bolivar, Ohio. This love of camping led them to morph from hiking and canoeing to kayaking and eventually becoming employees of the NTR Canoe Livery in Bolivar. Here, in retirement, Robert spent his summers loading and unloading kayaks and canoes and sending groups of adventurers down the Tuscarawas River – until he fell off one of the trailers in 2014, breaking a hip and straining his knee. The next two years were “challenging.”

Robert had surgery for his hip and a knee replacement at a Canton facility. While the hip healed, the knee did not. He was beset with infections, which refused to heal. Looking at a knee revision, Robert transferred his care to WCH Health System, a decision he wishes he would have made sooner. Then, just when the infection was under control and he was ready for a new knee, he was diagnosed with lung cancer.

While the diagnosis was devastating, Robert was very grateful that his doctors at WCH were looking out for him. While they were “monitoring me for the infection they noticed I kept getting pneumonia,” said Robert. They urged him to get further testing, which detected the cancer. Robert credits them for saving his life.

Robert has high praise for all the doctors he worked with at WCH. Dr. Steven Widmer finally got to give Robert his second “new knee” in January. “He had me up and walking the same day,” said Robert. “Dr. Widmer was awesome,” said Andra. “He was so personal and caring and even though I wasn’t the patient, he noticed my ankles were swelling and was concerned about them.”

Then there was Dr. James Slaby, who did plastic surgery on Robert’s knee in January. “He had me up and walking the same day, “ said Robert. “Dr. Slaby credits Robert’s recovery to the collaboration of “multiple specialists.” Robert’s problems were very complex, said Dr. Slaby. “A knee revision is much more complicated than a primary knee replacement. Without the expertise and availability and cooperation of an infectious disease specialist, plastic surgeon, and orthopedic surgeon, Robert would have been transferred out again to a tertiary center. It’s very unusual for a community hospital to have all three, and more importantly, all three working together as a team with a common goal of doing what’s best for the patient.”

While it’s been a long two years for Robert and Andra, life is looking up. Robert is back in the saddle at the campground loading canoes and kayaks. Andra is involved in the wildlife rescue program and both are looking forward to long leisurely kayaking adventures this summer. And they can’t wait to introduce their great-grandson to canoeing.

“Dr. Widmer was awesome,” said Andra. “He was so personal and caring. They wish they would have found WCH sooner. They wish they would have found WCH sooner. We've had 48 years together and we're looking forward to more,” said Andra.

The Gearharts are so glad they found WCH. “We were so impressed with everyone. The nurses and doctors were so kind and caring. They have all three working together as a team with a common goal of doing what’s best for the patient.”

Through it all, the Gearhart’s could see God’s protective hand. “We were always at the right place at the right time,” said Robert. “If I hadn’t had the knee problems, we might never have found the cancer.”

For more information regarding physicians on the WCH Health System active staff please call 330.263.8144.
I started in Wooster in July of 99, directly from my residency in Dayton,” said Daniel Peabody, III, MD, FACS. “I vividly remember taking the last late call on June 30th, took a shower, and drove to Wooster in time to start seeing patients at 9:00 am.”

That kind of dedication to patients is evident with the doctor, “I know exactly who my first surgery was,” he shared.

Dr. Peabody, a general surgeon, is making a local change and joining WCH Surgical Associates – WCH Health System provider. When the Cleveland Clinic began to limit their Wooster surgical services, they asked him to see patients in Medina. That didn’t work for the doctor who values the connections of small town medicine. “God forbid there is a complication in Wooster, I’m within 7 - 10 minutes of the hospital,” said Dr. Peabody.

Dr. Peabody grew up in Cuyahoga Falls, and married his high school sweetheart, Jodi Harris. Ms. Harris attended Vanderbilt University for his medical training. There, a six year residency program allowed him to spend one of his residency years in Australia. The experience overseas was life changing in many ways, including working with an operating nurse, Bernadette, who later became his wife. Bernadette and Australia have taught his family many things. “In Australia, there is a more balanced approach to life,” said Dr. Cebul. “They work hard and they play hard.” Bernadette has had great success in teaching their two boys that blend, said Dr. Cebul. “She’s still working on me.”

Dr. Cebul’s passion for his patients is evident as he casts his vision for his future with WCH. “All I really want to do is take care of my patients the best I can in a compassionate manner.” He also looks forward to mentoring the next generation of doctors. “I look forward to continuing what has been a long-standing tradition of excellent surgical and general care in Wooster. I want to bring the next generation of doctors along so that it’s an even stronger entity which allows for a good blend of both.”

While Dr. Cebul is no stranger to the area, he feels that being a part of the WCH team will allow for a good blend of both. “WCH has done a fantastic job of positioning itself in the market to grow appropriately. They have kept up with technology while positioning themselves to remain a local entity which allows for a more personal level of care.”

Dr. Peabody’s son, Grant, will begin his undergraduate program at Dennison University in the fall, and daughter, Abigail, will start Case Western Reserve University School of Law.

One of Dr. Peabody’s favorite things is an ocean cruise. “I have about 380 days at sea,” he said. “Wishing Alaska stands out. “To watch a whale come up out of the water... and be within 50 yards? I’d go back in a heartbeat.” The surgeon also enjoys baseball, and “I love wiener dogs.” He currently has two dachshunds.

Dr. Peabody looks forward to his new practice. “I love working at Wooster Community Hospital... it’s nice being around people who also have a lot of pride in working here and giving it their best.”

It’s all about community and personalized medical attention. “Everyone realizes that this hospital is a gem...” said the surgeon. “[At WCH Surgical Associates] patients will call our number and a real person will answer the phone and schedule a case.”

Dr. Peabody, one of the most gratifying parts of being a surgeon “is having the opportunity to just sit down with a patient...get to know them for a few minutes, understand their problem and tell them realistically—’I think I can help you and this is how.’”

In the operating room, the doctor wants a quiet place to step into the moment. “I’m not qualified to do anything other than be a surgeon... I take a deep breath and clear everything else from my mind. For me, it just flows.”

There was never any doubt in Dr. Robert Cebul’s mind that he wanted to be a surgeon like his dad. As a young child, way before HIPAA laws, Dr. Cebul remembers watching his father, Dr. Frank Cebul, II, perform surgeries and interact with patients all day long. He saw the level of care and attention his dad provided his patients and it made a lifelong impression on him. So much so that even after 19 years of employment at the Cleveland Clinic, their decision to move surgical facilities out of the area made his next career decision easy; he joined the physicians of the Wooster Community Hospital Health System.

Like his father before him, Dr. Cebul wanted to retain as much “personalized care” as he could and it made sense to keep his patient base in Wooster. Here he can continue to do pre and post-op consultations and twice-daily rounds. Medicine has changed, said Dr. Cebul. “If you make an effort, you can still make medicine personal and keep the continuity of care, but you have to make an effort.”

Dr. Peabody and Dr. Daniel Peabody joined WCH Surgical Associates this summer, specializing in endoscopic and vascular procedures as well as breast, hernia, gallbladder, thyroid and colorectal surgeries.

There has never been a practice like this in Wooster. The couple has two dachshunds.
Members of the WCH Cancer Care Team

(v. l.): Dr. Steven Waldron, Dr. Daniel Peabody III, Dr. James Slaby, Dr. Robert Cebul, Ali Malavite, Radiation Therapist, Dr. Mansour Isckarus, Dr. Joseph Pert, Tyra Schlabach, AOCNP, Dr. Tamara Robotham and Dr. Anthony Calabretta

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If anyone knows building a gold standard cancer center is a complicated process, it is radiation oncologist, Dr. Steven Walston.

Dr. Walston completed residency training in radiation oncology at The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center – James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute (OSUCCC – James) and has since stayed on as a practicing board certified radiation oncologist. He has learned from the best what state-of-the-art cancer treatment can offer and he is now bringing his experience with the OSUCCC – James to the Wooster Community Hospital Health System.

And, simply can’t wait.

“The brand new cancer center will house all of the cancer specialties under one roof, and this is very appealing for patients and providers alike,” Dr. Walston said. “You don’t see that often with a smaller, free-standing cancer center.”

Dr. Walston is a native of Boardman, Ohio, who for the past six years has trained and worked at the OSUCCC – James in Columbus. In the weeks ahead, he and his wife Marnie, a pediatrician, will relocate closer to Wooster.

In the meantime, Dr. Walston is working with experts from the OSUCCC – James, The Ohio State University Department of Physics, and the Wooster Community Hospital (WCH) to bring the most up-to-date and effective radiation treatment technology to meet the varied and complex needs of local cancer patients undergoing treatment at the new facility, which is slated to open in mid-fall.

Dr. Walston is the first to acknowledge there is often confusion among patients about what goes into cancer treatment and that even many medical providers don’t know what exactly radiation oncologists do.

A radiation oncologist is a doctor who specializes in using ionizing radiation to treat cancer. The radiation oncologist collaborates with cancer surgeons and medical oncologists to develop the best plan of care for the patient. “In cancer treatment, radiation can be used alone or combined with surgery and/or chemotherapy, and about 60 percent of cancer patients undergo radiation therapy as part of their cancer treatment,” Dr. Walston said.

One of the key pieces of equipment used in radiation therapy is the linear accelerator. A linear accelerator produces high energy radiation which is shaped and delivered to maximally conform to the tumor and minimize radiation exposure to normal tissues. During treatment, the patient lies on a moveable treatment couch and the treatment machine is designed to move around the patient to deliver radiation from multiple different directions.

“We will have very similar machines compared to what we have at the OSUCCC – James, and our primary goal is to deliver the same quality of care our patients would receive at the James,” Dr. Walston said.

Through his work at the OSUCCC – James, Dr. Walston gained great insights into exactly what works best for patients. My team and I will select the most appropriate immobilization and setup to successfully integrate patient comfort and feasibility of treatment delivery while never compromising patient safety.

“Patients will have comprehensive cancer care under one roof. That is convenient for patients and also for us,” Dr. Walston said. “It will harbor good working relationships.”

The new 40,500 square foot cancer center will be housed in the hospital’s 88,000 square foot Outpatient Pavilion. The expansion is housed in the location of the former College Hills Shopping plaza.

The new cancer center will include 17 wellness suites. It promises a truly therapeutic environment for patients and families undergoing cancer treatment.

“It’s really a privilege to be involved in this process,” said Dave Harrison, who is imaging director for WCH.

“By affiliating with the OSUCCC – James, we can expand the options for patients;” he added.
Dr. Sharon Marcanthony

“I have a natural love for science and people,” said Sharon Marcanthony, MD, FACOG. “And medicine is the perfect marriage of those...” Dr. Marcanthony, along with Molly Hastings, CNP, is creating a new women’s health group for Wooster Community Hospital–Bloomington Women’s Care. Dr. Marcanthony’s enthusiasm just shines as she shares, “I am so excited about this!” Dr. Marcanthony is an OB/GYN who is intensely passionate about her patients and her work. “I like being specialized, and once I delivered a baby I was hooked... To watch the changes a woman goes through to bring new life into the world–to be the first smile that baby sees? It never gets old. ”

After six years in Wooster, having delivered around 1,500 babies so far in her career, Dr. Marcanthony’s enthusiasm for her work and the community just seems to grow. Her new partnership with Wooster Community Hospital seemed like the perfect next step for the patient-focused, community-minded physician. “Everyone has a purpose in life,” said Dr. Marcanthony. “And my purpose is to serve women throughout the stages of their lives. I know this new partnership is the best way to do that.” The doctor was previously with the Cleveland Clinic, and decided to make the change when the Clinic began moving some services out of Wooster. “I’m a local gal,” she explained. “I grew up in a town of 1,000 in Tuscarawas County. When these changes occurred, the Clinic just wasn’t the ideal place for me anymore.”

With her home “just a contraction away from the hospital,” Dr. Marcanthony loves the local flavor of working and living right in the heart of the community she serves. “I go home at lunch,” she said. “To be able to live and work within two minutes of where I care for my patients? That’s a dream. A working mom’s dream.”

The mother of two is as devoted to her family as she is to her patients. With little ones at home (a one-year-old and a three-and-a-half year old), and an anesthesiologist husband, that proximity to work makes all the difference. “Wooster was a natural fit for us,” said the doctor, who enjoys being able to “run into patients at the grocery store and care for my friends and neighbors.”

The new Bloomington Women’s Care group will be located initially on the 3rd floor of the hospital until their brand new office is complete in 2018—a suite in the Outpatient Pavilion Building. “I believe in community involvement,” said Dr. Marcanthony. “That’s how you really get to know your patients.” The civic-minded physician has served on the boards of One Eighty and the American Red Cross. Currently she is involved with the steering committee for Leadership Wooster.

And when she’s not working with patients or the community? “I’m home with my kids, or at church... or at Christmas Run Park.”

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After downloading the app she clicked on “Enroll Now” and answered a series of questions about herself and her symptoms. She describes this as “much like the forms you fill out when visiting your doctor’s office.” Next Kathy was shown an extensive list of qualified healthcare providers complete with resumes, pictures and other pertinent information. Kathy chose a medical doctor who seemed to suit her needs. Once connected to this doctor “wearing a white lab jacket” she said “using Facetime I felt so comfortable talking to him. I described my symptoms and when I showed him the rash on my leg he diagnosed my problem as poison ivy. He called in a prescription to a nearby pharmacy and the entire contact with him was about four and a half minutes. It took longer to fill the prescription than the virtual visit with the doctor in three days the rash was gone. The total cost of my visit was $54.00”.

“I believe it is always best to see your own physician or visit the WCH NOWClinic/ Urgent Care, but for afterhours the WCH TodayCare Service is a great alternative.” — Kathy Long

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