Center of Excellence

North State Radiology is accredited by the American College of Radiology (ACR) in Mammography and Stereotactic Breast Biopsy, and Chico Breast Care Center is one of only six centers in California to be designated as a Certified Quality Breast Center of Excellence by the NQMBC.

All our physicians are board-certified and have particular expertise in breast imaging and our technologists are well qualified to perform your breast imaging exam. Together our staff makes up a team of specialists who are truly committed to "excellence" in the field of breast imaging.

Accreditations



Payment Reimbursement

Patients will be asked to present their insurance card and photo ID when checking in. We are contracted with most major insurance carriers and will bill insurance for prompt reimbursement. However, the patient is responsible for any amounts not covered. We accept Visa and Mastercard and offer flexible payment options. In any circumstance, please do not delay your mammogram because you are concerned about payment. Call 898-0534 for questions regarding billing or payment.



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Chico Breast Care Center

Chico Breast Care Center is the newest addition to the North State Radiology family of services. Until recently, our radiologists have provided breast imaging services through North State Imaging for decades. This new state-of-theart center, opened in 2015, offers an entirely new patient-centered experience. It is a truly comprehensive, integrated center of services designed around every need a breast care patient could have. We have created special alliances with pathology and surgery and have the ability to "fast-track" patients with advanced diagnoses. It is the only center in California that offers this full spectrum of coordinated care, including the newest 3D Mammography, all under one roof. No matter what exam or procedure you need done, you can rest assured it will be done by highly qualified staff in a first class facility.

3D Digital Mammography

Our 3D Mammography system from Hologic is revolutionizing how breast cancer is detected. It is the first and only clinically superior 3D

3D imaging means 40% more detection mammography approved by the FDA, and now considered the new "Gold Standard" for all women, not just high- risk patients. 3D mammography can be done in conjunction with a traditional 2D digital mammogram, and allows the radiologist to examine your breast tissue layer by

layer. The increased visibility provided with 3D images make it possible for a radiologist to gain a better understanding of your breast tissue than ever before, resulting in 40% more detection of invasive breast cancers, and 40% less callbacks due to a false positive result.

Other Services

Risk Assessment

Each patient is pre-screened for risk factors during their first visit to the center. Those suspected of being at increased risk will be referred for a comprehensive risk assessment which calculates the risk a woman has of developing breast cancer.

Breast Ultrasound

A breast ultrasound uses sound waves to produce images of your breast tissue and is often used as a follow-up test after an abnormal finding on a screening mammogram. Breast ultrasound can also be used as an additional screening test in women with dense breast tissue.

Breast MRI

Breast MRI is a very sensitive exam that utilizes a combination of a magnetic field, radio waves, and computer processing to derive images. It can provide additional information about your breast structure which may not be visible with mammography or ultrasound and may not be felt during a clinical breast exam. Our Breast MRI services are performed across the street at our sister facility, North Valley Advanced Imaging.



Breast Biopsy

A breast biopsy is performed to remove suspicious breast tissue for further examination. These "needle core biopsies" are performed under image guidance with local anesthetic and the tissue is sent to the pathologist for examination.

Nurse Navigation

Helping patients navigate the maze of the medical system and all its minutia of detail and potential for miscommunication is crucial. We are happy to offer "Nurse Navigation" services to our patients, who will find that it greatly reduces anxiety and frustration.





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