



Leading-Edge Care

Saint Francis Healthcare first in Delaware to implant
Orsiro® coronary drug-eluting stent

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SAINT FRANCIS HEALTHCARE recently became the first hospital in Delaware to implant the Orsiro® coronary drug-eluting stent in the cardiac catheterization lab. Saint Francis interventional cardiologists are now using the new Orsiro drug-eluting stent to treat narrowed vessels and improve blood flow in heart patients. The new stent can reduce the time and improve the efficiency of life-saving stent placement in patients with certain types of heart vessel blockages, leading to better outcomes.

Orsiro® coronary drug-eluting stent received FDA approval in 2019 and has been used to treat more than two million patients worldwide. It is also the first and only ultrathin drug-eluting stent in the United States. Saint Francis first used the stent on a patient with acute onset chest pain and a blockage of the right coronary artery. “The Orsiro stent provides more efficient intervention and faster results compared to its counterparts in treating difficult to traverse blockages,” said Dr. Yolanda Hendley,

Interventional Cardiologist at Saint Francis Healthcare.

“Saint Francis has always been at the forefront in providing leading-edge heart care,” said Dr. Ralph Gonzalez, Jr., Chief Medical Officer at Saint Francis Healthcare. Saint Francis is an American Heart Association and American Stroke Association Get with the Guidelines®—Stroke GOLD PLUS Achievement Award recipient and treats more than 34,000 patients each year in the emergency room. Saint Francis consistently provides rapid care to patients experiencing heart attack and stroke symptoms.

“At Saint Francis, we are committed to providing the very best care to the community that we serve and delivering that care with compassion and respect. It’s the Saint Francis way,” says Brandon Harvath, President and COO of Saint Francis Healthcare.

For more information about the Saint Francis Healthcare Cardiac Catheterization Lab, call 302.421.4848 or visit www.trinityhealthma.org. ■