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## PROCURE PROTON THERAPY CENTER MARKS 5,000TH PATIENT TO COMPLETE TREATMENT

Proton Treatment Center Hits Major Milestone for Cancer Patients in the Tri-State Area

SOMERSET, N.J. – January 31, 2020 – ProCure Proton Therapy Center in Somerset, New Jersey, passed another celebratory achievement with the graduation of its 5,000th patient to complete treatment, in this case for prostate cancer. "When we see the courage, the generosity, the wisdom that our patients have as they go through some of the darkest times of their lives, they truly inspire us on a daily basis. It has been an honor for us to be a part of their treatment journey," shares Dr. Brian Chon, ProCure Medical Director.

Proton therapy is a precise form of radiation that directly attacks tumors, especially those in difficult-to-reach areas, while minimizing potential damage to surrounding healthy tissue and organs. This clinical advantage allows patients to receive radiation treatment with fewer side effects.

"Our vision was to bring the first proton facility to the most densely populated region in the country where there is the greatest need. And here we are, graduating our 5,000th patient. It's a truly incredible milestone," added Dr. Chon.

"We would like to thank all of the fantastic physicians and institutions that we partnered with over the years such as Princeton Radiation Oncology, CentraState Medical Center, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, Mount Sinai, Montefiore, NYU School of Medicine, Northwell Health, the Central New Jersey Division of Regional Cancer Care Associates and Hackensack Meridian Healthcare System. We are extremely grateful for the confidence entrusted upon us regarding the care of patients and their loved ones," noted Tom Wang, President, ProCure Proton Therapy Center.

After skin cancer, prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer among American men with the American Cancer Society noting 1 in 9 males develops it over the course of his lifetime. Proton therapy is often used to treat prostate cancer as it delivers less radiation to the nearby bladder and

rectum. This helps spare healthy tissue and organs and reduces a patient's risk of developing long-term side effects such as incontinence and impotence.

In addition to prostate cancer, studies have shown proton therapy to be effective in treating many types of cancers, including that of the prostate, breast, lung, brain, gastrointestinal system, head and neck region, sarcomas and many pediatric cases.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about proton therapy for cancer treatment, call 1-877-267-7891 or visit www.procure.com. The ProCure team will assist you with passionate care to determine if you are a candidate for proton therapy.

## **About ProCure:**

ProCure Proton Therapy Center in Somerset, N.J., opened in March 2012 and was the 10th proton treatment facility in the nation and the first in the NJ/NY tri-state region. ProCure N.J. is equipped with Pencil Beam Scanning (PBS), the most advanced proton therapy technology available today. ProCure's PBS technology expands the center's ability to treat difficult and complicated tumors, and is reflective of a commitment to continually advance cancer treatment options. For more information, call 1-877-267-7891 or visit www.procure.com.