Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute

Moffitt Cancer Center is an NCI Comprehensive Cancer Center - a designation that recognizes Moffitt's excellence in research and contributions to clinical trials, prevention and cancer control. Located at the Tampa campus of University of South Florida, Moffitt currently has 14 affiliates in Florida, one in Georgia, one in Pennsylvania and two in Puerto Rico. Additionally, Moffitt is a member of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network, a prestigious alliance of the country’s leading cancer centers, and is listed in U.S. News & World Report as one of "America's Best Hospitals" for cancer. Moffitt's sole mission is to contribute to the prevention and cure of cancer.

With more than 4,200 total employees, Moffitt is licensed for 206 beds. Other clinical facilities include a 36-bed blood and marrow transplant unit; 12 operating rooms; a diagnostic radiology department with MRI, PET/CT, digital mammography and all other imaging capabilities; and a radiation therapy department with seven linear accelerators.

Admissions to Moffitt increased 11% last year to 8,616 with outpatient visits growing at the same rate to 320,558. Critical to the success of cancer research is project funding, particularly in the form of grants.

As of October 2010, grant funding at Moffitt increased to $83.8 million, of which $75.4 million were funds from peer-reviewed grants.

Over 1,000 students train at Moffitt every year, including medical residents, fellows, nurses, physician assistants, and pharmacy students. Moffitt trains more oncologists than all Florida institutions combined.

Dr. William S. Dalton is Moffitt's President/Chief Executive Officer and Center Director and author of more than 200 publications. He earned a Ph.D. in Toxicology and Medical Life Sciences and an M.D. from Indiana University and was the Founding Director of the Bone Marrow Transplant Program at the University of Arizona. Dr. Dr. Dalton joined Moffitt in 1997 as the Associate Center Director for Clinical Investigations and was appointed Deputy Director in 1999. Additionally, in 1999 he was the Professor and Founding Chairman of the Department of Interdisciplinary Oncology (now known as the
Department of Oncologic Sciences) at the University of South Florida. He served as Dean of the College of Medicine at the University of Arizona in Tucson from 2001-2002. Dr. Dalton returned to H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute in August 2002 to serve as its Chief Executive Officer and Center Director.