



# WETZEL COUNTY HOSPITAL

## Press Release

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### WETZEL COUNTY HOSPITAL ACQUIRES ADVANCED ULTRASOUND

New Martinsville, WV – – Reinforcing its mission to deliver the best care available to the residents of the Monroe, Tyler and Wetzel Counties, Wetzel County Hospital has announced that it has purchased Toshiba's Aplio™ XV ultrasound system. At the heart of the Aplio system's design are several advanced applications that improve a physician's diagnostic confidence when evaluating patients – allowing for a speedier diagnosis and better patient care. The new, state-of-the-art system will be used to perform a wide range of general and advanced examinations, including comprehensive OB/GYN procedures, abdominal and small organ exams, as well as image-guided interventional procedures.

"We selected the Aplio because it delivers outstanding clinical performance and is extremely easy to use, but remains reasonably priced when compared to other high-end systems," said Pam Deel, Radiology Supervisor for Wetzel County Hospital. "The Aplio gives our physicians access to the latest advances in ultrasound technology and has improved our diagnostic capabilities – allowing us to determine the best treatment path or interventional approach for our patients."

The Aplio ultrasound system includes several technology enhancements designed to improve performance, including 3D imaging and Differential Tissue Harmonic Imaging (DTHI). These technologies improve detail definition, allowing for improved diagnoses, and can be easily applied in daily practice.

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“The addition of the Aplio ultrasound further enhances the advanced imaging technology at Wetzel County Hospital,” said George Couch, C.E.O. of Wetzel County Hospital. “With the addition last year of our advanced 32-slice Toshiba CT Scanner and the installation of a complete AGFA PACS (Picture Archiving Communication System) we have a radiology department equipped as well, if not better, than many larger hospitals keeping Wetzel County Hospital on the cutting edge of quality care and services.”

Wetzel County Hospital is a licensed and accredited, 68-bed facility, offering comprehensive acute care inpatient, outpatient services, emergency department and transitional care unit. The hospital is located 35 miles south of Wheeling and 60 miles north of Parkersburg, West Virginia.

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*Pictured above and on attached pdf file*

*Left to Right:* Wetzel County Hospital Radiology Staff shown with Toshiba’s Aplio™ XV ultrasound system Heidi Brown, R.T.(R) RDMS; Sabrina Lollathin, R.T.(R) RDMS; Mary Ferrebee, A.S.R.T. (R)(CT); Karla Isaly, R.T.(R)

