



MOAB REGIONAL HOSPITAL IMPROVES PATIENT CARE WITH NEW STATE-OF-THE-ART MRI AND CT SCANNERS

MOAB, UTAH | JANUARY 18, 2024 — As part of its ongoing expansion project, Moab Regional Hospital (MRH) brings improved patient care with its new Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) and Computed Tomography (CT) scanners.

Jimmy Walling, Director of Ancillary Services, highlights the significance of the new machines, saying, "Our latest additions, the new MRI and CT scanners, expand our existing collection of advanced imaging equipment, which also includes a state-of-the-art digital X-ray room and 3D mammography machine."

The new MRI scanner, added just last month, allows for a variety of exams with increased detail, featuring a shorter and wider magnet, reduced scanning time, and the option for patients to listen to music for a more comfortable experience. Walling highlights the addition of new AI software that minimizes image noise, ensuring clear and accurate diagnoses.

The CT scanner, installed about a year ago, stands out as one of the most advanced in the region. Walling highlights its capabilities, noting the superior performance of the Canon Aquilion Genesis Edition. With a 640-slice scanner and a 16mm detector, it surpasses the image quality of the previous 64-slice CT scanner with a 4mm detector. The increased slices and detectors enable larger area scans in one rotation, leading to quicker scans and reduced radiation doses. This is crucial for both young patients, and those requiring frequent scans.

Walling enthusiastically praised the technology and its potential benefits for patients, saying, "In my entire career, this is the most exciting scanner I've come across." He emphasized the added software for coronary artery screen scans, underscoring its role in providing vital information for preventive care.

Moab Regional Hospital, an independent nonprofit located in Moab, Utah, is a Critical Access Hospital and Level IV Trauma Center. With 17 beds, the hospital focuses on prioritizing patients, providing high-quality and affordable healthcare, and promoting community wellness.