

# Physician MEMO

To | All Providers  
From | David Smull, DO Medical Director, FMC Heart Failure Program  
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Re | Heart Failure Program

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Beginning January 1, 2011, Forsyth Medical Centers Heart Failure Program has expanded to be a full time independent service. The Heart Failure Program provides a staffed inpatient service that provides both expert consultative as well as primary management for patients with both new and chronic heart failure and cardiomyopathies. A full time outpatient clinic for follow-up, out-patient consultations, and continuity of care is also available. The Heart Failure Program offers a full range of diagnostic and therapeutic options for patients with heart failure including:

- Specialty care for patients with routine or complex heart failure and cardiomyopathies
- Cardiopulmonary stress laboratory
- Diagnostic coronary angiography
- Hemodynamic and vasodilator testing for pulmonary hypertension
- Echocardiography and TEE
- Enhanced External Counterpulsation Therapy (EECP)
- Participation in NIH and industry sponsored clinical trials

**To refer patients to the Heart Failure Program, call 336-718-6199 or fax a referral form to 336-718-6190. In-patient consults Monday through Friday can be obtained by calling the Heart Failure Program 718-6199 or by paging Dr. Smull (726-1118).**