

# All your imaging needs

Under one roof, close to home

► **IF YOU NEED AN X-RAY OR MAMMOGRAM BUT DO NOT FEEL LIKE DEALING WITH THE TRAFFIC OR COMPLEXITY AT A HOSPITAL, THE CAROLINA FOREST IMAGING CENTER IS THE RIGHT PLACE FOR YOU.** Conveniently located in a quiet noninstitutional setting, its tranquil, tasteful interior design has been described by many as spalike.

“The atmosphere is similar to a high-end doctor’s office, as opposed to visiting a big hospital,” says Ali Westervelt, RT (R)(CT), assistant director of medical imaging at Grand Strand Regional Medical Center. “We excel in customer service and offer comfortable, uncrowded seating and quick registration, with complimentary coffee and tea in the waiting area for patients who are not restricted for their exams.”

## Leading-edge technology, credentialed technologists

The advantages of the Imaging Center do not end there; the equipment and employees have been acknowledged for their level of excellence.



Carolina Forest Imaging Center’s skilled staff offer advanced technology in a tranquil setting.

“We have board-certified radiologists and patient-focused, highly trained technologists and all of the equipment is certified by the American College of Radiology,” Westervelt says, noting that the facility’s equipment is state-of-the-art.

The 1.5 Tesla MRI scanner has a wide bore, which feels more spacious than a typical MRI machine. “It actually reduces issues with claustrophobia,” Westervelt says. “The scanner is a bit bigger and not as confining.”

The Imaging Center’s 16-slice CT scanner produces detailed

## Make your appointment today

Conveniently located near Route 31 at 199 Village Center Boulevard in Myrtle Beach, the Carolina Forest Imaging Center offers digital X-ray, CT scans, MRI, digital mammography, ultrasound and bone density scans. From Bypass 17, exit on Grissom Parkway north; cross over the waterway and turn left at the third traffic light at the intersection of International Drive and River Oaks Drive. Village Center Boulevard is the first left. The center is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For an appointment, call **(888) 858-9936**.

cross-sectional X-ray images of structures within the body. “The result is high-quality images and very quick exam times,” Westervelt says.

## Mammograms and bone density scans

Women who come in for digital mammograms are given comfortable seersucker robes to wear during the examination. The procedure incorporates computer-aided detection (CAD), which helps find problematic areas more readily.

“One of the great things about our service is we do not have a backlog for screening exams,” Westervelt says. “You can schedule an exam in two to three days. Some of our competitors are scheduling several weeks out.”

Many women get bone density scans to screen for osteoporosis while they are in the center for their annual mammograms.

“This adds to the convenience, scheduling several appointments at the same time,” adds Westervelt.

## Schedule your mammogram today!

### Three convenient locations:

- **South Strand Medical Center**  
5050 Hwy. 17 Bypass South, Myrtle Beach
- **The Breast Health Center at The Diagnostic & Women’s Center**  
945 82nd Parkway, Myrtle Beach
- **Carolina Forest Imaging Center**  
199 Village Center Blvd., Myrtle Beach

- **Age 35** – Baseline mammogram for those with a strong family history of breast cancer is recommended.
- **Age 40** – Annual clinical exams and mammograms are recommended.
- Monthly self-exams are recommended for all women.



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