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**Northwestern Memorial Is the Only Hospital in the Midwest Where a Woman Can Obtain the New  
Digital Mammogram Approved by the FDA Jan. 31**

(Chicago) The FDA approval earlier this week of the first mammography system that creates digital images ushers in a new era in mammography that may greatly improve the diagnosis of breast cancer. Northwestern Memorial is the only site in the Midwest and one of only six hospitals in the country at which digital mammography is available clinically, according to Charles Young, spokesman for GE Medical Systems.

The new equipment, the Senographe 2000 D, was created and is manufactured by GE Medical systems, Waukesha, WI.

Designed to enable maximum contrast and provide more detailed, clearer images, the system was approved after nearly two years of testing at a select group of eight hospitals nationwide, including Northwestern Memorial.

More than 700 women have participated thus far in the clinical trial at the Lynn Sage Comprehensive Breast Center at Northwestern Memorial. Only women who have reason to be suspicious of breast cancer, as a result of a physician's examination or an abnormal standard

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