



Better Together

The Daniel & Gloria Blumenthal Cancer Center at Valley Hospital
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Valley taking cancer care to the next level with partnership with Mount Sinai

Valley Health System was in good position – being central to the Northern New Jersey community, where it had a presence as longstanding as its reputation was outstanding.

But the hospital, which has a cancer center in Paramus and its main campus in Ridgewood, thought it could do even better.

So it looked outside of its geographic scope – namely, across the Hudson – and paired up with another institution, the seven-hospital Mount Sinai Health System.

The decision to form a partnership, which was announced in late 2015, came out of a realization that both Valley and Mount Sinai had

a lot to gain by working together, according to Dr. Ephraim Casper, director of the resulting Valley-Mount Sinai Comprehensive Cancer Care.

“There was potential for two great institutions to partner and create a whole that’s more than the sum of its parts,” Casper said. “Sometimes with partnerships between hospitals, it’s a pairing in name only – it works for marketing purposes. But what we have is relationship that’s very real and one that’s quite mutual.”

New York City-based Mount Sinai, which consists of the Icahn School of Medicine as well as seven hospitals, had the investigational clin-

