



**Chandler Regional
Medical Center**

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**CHANDLER REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER BECOMES FIRST IN
EAST VALLEY TO PROVIDE ROBOTIC GALL BLADDER SURGERY**

CHANDLER, Ariz. (May 31, 2012) – Gordon Bodzin, M.D. is the Chief of Surgery at Chandler Regional and Mercy Gilbert Medical Centers, Dignity Health™ Members, and the first general surgeon in the East Valley trained to perform robotic, single-incision gall bladder surgery. This latest advancement in minimally invasive surgery is made possible by the *da Vinci*® Si HD™ Robotic Surgical System, used in a variety of cardiac, colorectal, gynecological, urological and general surgical procedures.

While various hospitals across the state are equipped with *da Vinci*'s surgical robot, Dr. Bodzin is one of the first 100 surgeons in the nation with the ability to remove a patient's gall bladder through a single incision in the navel, using the robotic platform. The procedure lasts about an hour and allows patients to return home the same day with minimal pain and discomfort.

“This procedure improves the patient's experience with a reduction in pain, scarring and recovery, which allows them to return to normal life at a faster rate,” said Dr. Bodzin. “Minimally invasive options are an attractive alternative to procedures that once required more complicated processes.”

Da Vinci's advanced level of technology takes surgery beyond the limits of the human hand. Procedures are still controlled by the surgeon whose capabilities are complemented by a robotic platform. With magnified, three-dimensional, high-definition views of the procedure site and superior visual clarity of tissue and anatomy, surgeons are able to direct the robot in executing precise movements.

Chandler Regional brought patients the *da Vinci*® Si HD™ Robotic Surgical System in 2010. Since then, many Chandler Regional surgeons have used it to perform more than 400 minimally invasive procedures and surgeries. In addition to Dr. Bodzin, several Chandler Regional doctors

and surgeons are certified to use the *da Vinci*® Si HD™ Robotic Surgical System for a variety of procedures:

Gynecology/Oncology

- John Farley, M.D.

Obstetrics and Gynecology

- Julie Adams, D.O.
- Charles Boag, III, M.D.
- Eddie Estrada, M.D.
- Stephen Frausto, M.D.
- Grayson Guzman, M.D.
- Matthew Moore, M.D.
- Andreia Moraes Acuna, M.D.
- Scott Partridge, M.D.
- Manisha Purohit, M.D.
- Celina Reyes-Hailey, M.D.
- Daniel Rowland, M.D.
- Monte Swarup, M.D.
- Mia Lynne Van Eken, D.O.
- Andrew Villa, M.D.

Urological Surgery

- Kevin Bigelow, M.D.
- Biren Patel, M.D.
- Pratik Patel, M.D.

To learn more, please visit ChandlerRegional.org. To find a doctor that uses the *da Vinci*® Si HD™ Robotic Surgical System, please call ResourceLink at (480) 728-5414.

About Chandler Regional Medical Center

Chandler Regional Medical Center is located at 1955 W. Frye Rd. (corner of Dobson and Frye Roads) in Chandler. Chandler Regional is a 243-bed, acute-care, not-for-profit provider of emergency care, family birth services, comprehensive stroke services, gastroenterology, cardiovascular services, wound healing and hyperbaric oxygen therapy, cancer treatment, neurosciences, orthopedics, general surgery and diagnostic services. For more information, please visit ChandlerRegional.org or call (480) 728-3000. Chandler Regional is an Equal Opportunity Employer (EOE). For information on doctor referrals, community classes or support groups, please contact ResourceLink at (480) 728-5414.

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