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St. James Mercy Hospital Surgeon Irfan Rizvi joins UR Medicine, will continue to see patients in Hornell

HORNELL, NY (April 17, 2015) – St. James Mercy Hospital (SJMH) general and colorectal surgeon Irfan Rizvi, M.D., FACS, has joined UR Medicine’s Department of Surgery as a Clinical Assistant Professor effective May 1.

Dr. Rizvi, who has been on staff at St. James Mercy Hospital since 2011, will continue to see patients at his office, 460 Canisteo St., Hornell, and to perform outpatient procedures at SJMH.

"I am delighted to continue to serve the Hornell area," Dr. Rizvi said. "The affiliation with UR Medicine will allow me to not only handle outpatient surgery here at St. James but also offer a wider range of more complex surgical problems. I look forward to further strengthening my ties with Hornell and the wonderful community."

"We wish Dr. Rizvi all the best in his new role with UR Medicine and are grateful that he will continue to serve the health care needs of patients in our community, providing vital access to high quality colorectal and surgical services," said Jennifer Sullivan, SJMH president and CEO.

Dr. Rizvi is board-certified in general surgery and colon and rectal surgery, and he is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons. After receiving his medical degree from Aga Khan University Medical College in Pakistan, Dr. Rizvi completed residencies in London and at West Virginia University Hospital and Baylor College of Medicine in Dallas. He also completed a fellowship in colon and rectal surgery at Michigan State University.

"Dr. Rizvi is an accomplished general and colorectal surgeon who has been providing expert care to patients in the Southern Tier," said David C. Linehan, M.D., UR Medicine’s chair of Surgery. "We are delighted to welcome him into the UR Medicine Department of Surgery, and we will support him to ensure that this level of excellence in surgical care remains in the region."

In addition to colorectal cancers, Dr. Rizvi’s professional interests include gastrointestinal conditions, inflammatory bowel disease, gall bladder conditions, hernias, hemorrhoids and other anorectal conditions.

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