

Clinical trials launch at OSF Saint Anthony's Health Center

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Leah Watson, Clinical Research Coordinator at OSF Saint Anthony's

“As research shows, many patients don't get the treatment they deserve and that they need because of the cost itself. They can't afford it. They can only afford it for so long. The co-pays are high. So this is very important to focus on for those patients.” (:13)

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“Offering these treatment trials to patients will allow for, hopefully, future new treatments for patients. So getting them involved, they are contributing to the research to hopefully find more cures for cancer.” (:12)

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Dr. Manpreet Sandhu [pronounced *mahn-PREET // SAN-dew*], medical oncologist and hematologist at OSF Saint Anthony's

“Everything that we know about cancer treatments and diagnosis is ultimately achieved from investigations through clinical trials. Certain medications or testing has to be approved through the FDA [Food and Drug Administration] to be able to be generally used. But [OSF Saint Anthony's is] now wanting to be a part of that process where we can be in the process in helping in developing the drugs and developing new treatments.” (:25)

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Dr. Manpreet Sandhu, medical oncologist and hematologist at OSF Saint Anthony's [on off-site studies]

“Our older patients or patients who have to rely on their kids to drive them to Saint Louis, sometimes they are not representative in these studies because they have barriers to access, barriers to care.” (:11)