



J. Stephen Lock, M.D., Surgeon

Well positioned for your future.





Well Chosen.

The medical profession is a calling ideally suited to your skills, goals and character. Your career was well chosen. Where you practice, and where you live and thrive, should be too.

Many of the finest in the medical field have found their place at East Alabama Medical Center (EAMC). They're uniquely situated where they can offer the best quality of care to their patients while experiencing the best quality of life for themselves and their families.

You too, can have all the amenities you need to achieve a fulfilling work-life balance. As a professional at EAMC and a resident of the beautiful Auburn-Opelika area, you'll form tight-knit relationships with colleagues and neighbors alike. And every day, you'll have the opportunity to make lives better, inside and outside the hospital.

You've already chosen the perfect field for you.

Now choose the right place to grow.

"The quality of the nurses, the appearance of the hospital itself, the medical staff—just about everything—was important to me. The entire staff seems to love what they do—they get involved with the patients' lives—and they give me confidence that my patients will be well cared for after I leave for the day. This is like a tertiary hospital with a small-town hospital feel. It's a great place to do primary care." – Steven Presley, M.D., Hospitalist



"Having the opportunity to practice high-quality and compassionate medicine in the Auburn-Opelika community for the last 25 years has been a great blessing in my professional life. The physicians are truly dedicated to achieving the best possible outcome for their patients in a caring manner and the support from nurses, pharmacists, and ancillary health care employees is superior. The EAMC administration and staff physicians have enjoyed a collegial and symbiotic relationship that continues to mature and improve. The excellent quality of life in a Southern setting with a major land grant university cannot be overstated."

– Michael Williams, M.D., Cardiologist





Ricardo Maldonado, M.D., Infectious Disease

As part of our commitment, these efforts often lead to firsts, new approaches and expansions of successful programs.

EAMC is committed to quality patient care, continuous performance improvement and enhanced patient outcomes in:

- Sepsis care
- Reduction of infections
- Best practice care delivery for AMI, CHF, surgical care, pneumonia, and VTE
- Reduction of readmissions for chronic diseases

EAMC is Well Suited to Your Needs.

- The EAMC ICU, which was awarded a silver-level Beacon award in 2017, provides a unique patient-centered approach, promoting early mobility and natural sleep rather than excessive sedation. A team of specialists coordinates nutrition, respiratory, nursing, pharmacy, chaplaincy, and physical therapy.
- EAMC-Lanier in Valley offers the first acute inpatient rehabilitation unit of its kind in the immediate area. Patients not yet ready to transition to a nursing home or skilled nursing facility receive three hours of stringent therapy daily in a home-like setting.
- Since 1991, our Cornerstone program has empowered EAMC employees to help one another. More than a crisis fund, Cornerstone now provides for a variety of needs, including vehicle assistance, housing, disaster relief, and even medical and surgical outreach.

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY

- First Alabama hospital to obtain the da Vinci Xi® Surgical System
- Diagnostics include 64-slice CT, PET scanner, wide bore MRI, breast MRI, 3D mammography, 3T MRI
- Radiation therapy linear accelerator features IMRT/IGRT with respiratory gating
- Cancer Center offers stereotactic radio-surgery

RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE

- First Alabama hospital certified in Advanced Inpatient Diabetes Care by The Joint Commission
- Blue Distinction Center® for Knee and Hip Replacement, BlueCross BlueShield of Alabama
- 98% of the nearly 200 active physicians on staff are board-certified or board-eligible
- EAMC consistently ranks among the country's top 10% in patient satisfaction

314

acute care beds

26

skilled nursing
facility beds

SPECIALTIES

- Comprehensive cancer care
- Cardiology and cardiovascular surgery
- Orthopaedics
- Psychiatric care
- Women's and children's services
- Medical missions to developing countries
- da Vinci robotics
- Hybrid OR



COMING SOON

- \$40 million Cancer Center (May 2019)
- Ambulatory Surgery Center in Auburn (Fall 2019)
- Freestanding ED in Auburn (Fall 2019)

Live Well in the cities of Auburn and Opelika.

Enjoying the people and environment around you is what the Auburn-Opelika area is all about. Not too big. Not too small. And right in the middle of the things you want to do.

**TOP
10** MSA for attracting business

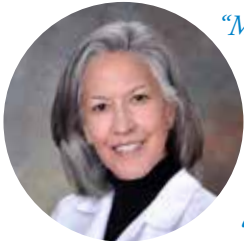
Auburn-Opelika ranked in top-10 U.S. MSAs for attracting business by *Site Selection Magazine*, 2015

7th *Forbes* Best Small City for Jobs

Forbes named Auburn-Opelika MSA 7th “Best Small City for Jobs in the Country,” June 2015

6th Milken Institute Best Performing Small City

Auburn-Opelika MSA ranked 6th among small cities in The Milken Institute’s “Best Performing Cities: Where America’s Jobs are Created & Sustained” 2016 report



“My husband and I moved to Auburn in 1989 and raised our four children in this wonderful, safe, and vibrant community. The schools are top-rated and there are many churches and denominations from which to choose to worship. There are lots of fun events and activities for families and individuals, with sporting events, youth and adult athletics, gardens to explore, hiking and nature trails, academic lectures and a strong performing arts venue, to mention only a few of the things we enjoyed. Typical of a Southern community, the people are warm and friendly.” – Edith K. Graves, M.D., Oncologist



OUR VITAL SIGNS

155,859

TOTAL AREA POPULATION*

59,400

CITY OF AUBURN*

28,761

CITY OF OPELIKA*

36.7

MEDIAN AGE*

\$43,761

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME*

25%

HAVE A BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER**

94.5

ACCRA COST OF LIVING INDEX (3Q, 2016)

9%

SALES TAX RATE (INCLUDING STATE, COUNTY, CITY)

54

PROPERTY TAX TOTAL MILLAGE RATE (EDUCATION - 27 MILLS***)



TRANSPORTATION

- Interstate 85
- U.S. Hwys 29, 280, 431
- AL State Hwy 51
- Auburn University Regional Airport
- Hartsfield Jackson International Airport, Atlanta only 1 hr. away

CLIMATE AVERAGES

Winter High 57° F, Low 34° F

Spring High 75° F, Low 48° F

Summer High 89° F, Low 67° F

Fall High 75° F, Low 51° F

* 2015 Estimate

** Based on the 2010 Census figures for educational attainment

*** One mill = \$1 tax for every \$1,000 of assessed value



You have people to see and things to do.



“We wanted out of the big city, yet not too small a town, a high-quality medical staff and hospital, plus the right place to raise a family. Here, we found it all. We have made good friends, and the hospital and medical community are great. We shop, we eat out, and we travel. Birmingham, Montgomery and Atlanta are close. We love what we do and where we live. We wouldn’t trade it for anything.”

—Anna Zouhary, M.D. and Ken Zouhary, D.M.D., M.D.,
Hospitalist and Oral/Maxillofacial Surgeon

- Plentiful theatre and music performances year-round
- Auburn University sports and cultural events
- Tiger Town, Village Mall, downtown boutiques, and even more shopping
- More than 50 churches and faith communities
- Abundant fine dining, pubs, and clubs as well as family-favorite restaurants

Go where the golf-loving medical professional links in.

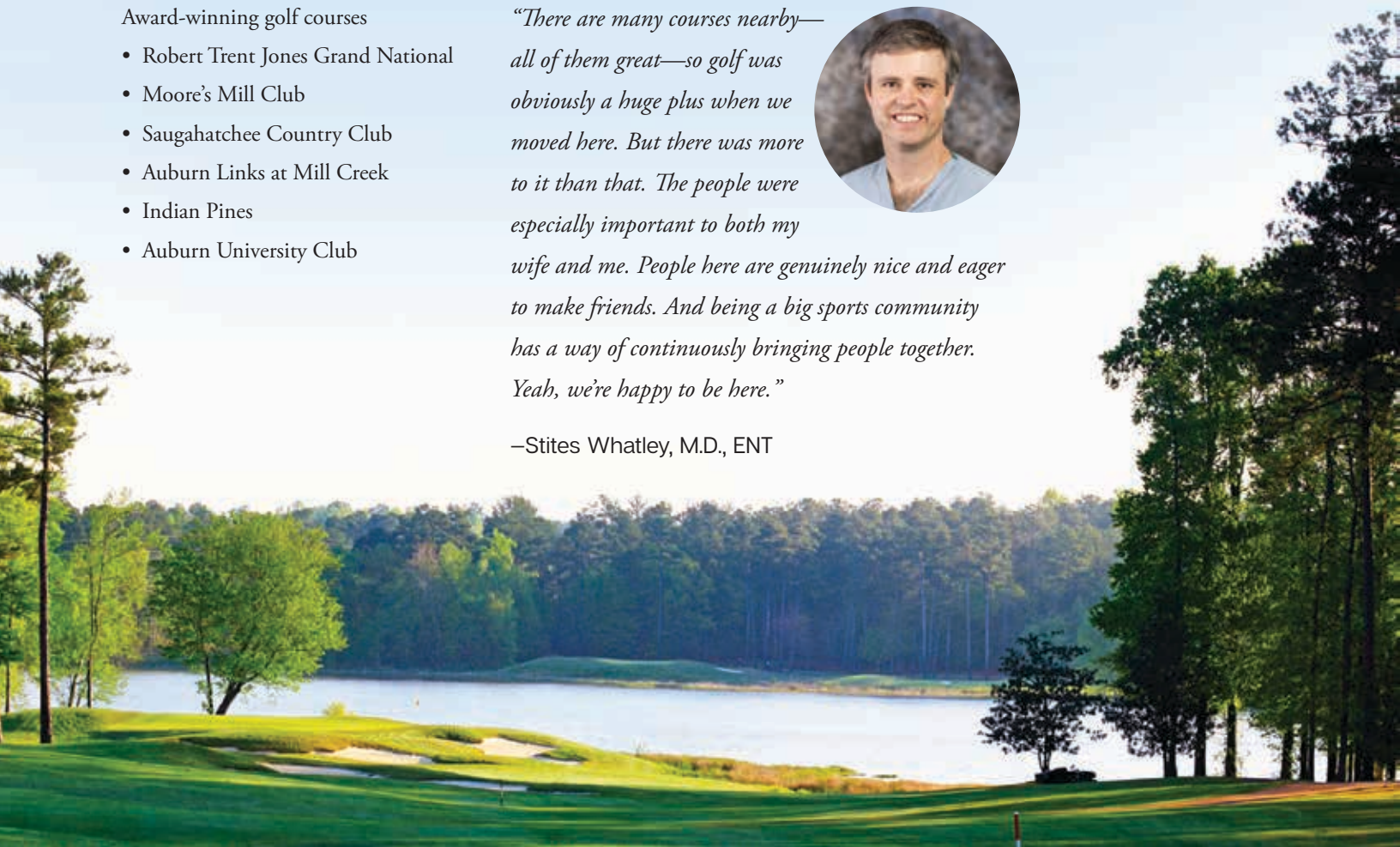
Award-winning golf courses

- Robert Trent Jones Grand National
- Moore’s Mill Club
- Saugahatchee Country Club
- Auburn Links at Mill Creek
- Indian Pines
- Auburn University Club

“There are many courses nearby— all of them great—so golf was obviously a huge plus when we moved here. But there was more to it than that. The people were especially important to both my wife and me. People here are genuinely nice and eager to make friends. And being a big sports community has a way of continuously bringing people together. Yeah, we’re happy to be here.”



—Stites Whatley, M.D., ENT





“Being close to Lake Martin was a big factor in our decision to come here. That said, sailing was only one consideration. My wife is a high school science teacher, and she was especially impressed with this community and its school systems. She liked the small-town feel and the safety it provides—combined with quick access to Atlanta. We’re huge Auburn fans and actually started the Charleston Auburn Club when we lived there. We love it here.”



—Rob Marino, M.D., OB/GYN

Find quite the catch – from schools of fish to schools for Tigers.

Fishing and Hunting

- Freshwater fishing at scenic area lakes
- Off-shore fishing just 3-4 hours away along the Gulf Coast beaches
- White-tailed deer, wild turkey, quail, wild hog, and other hunting opportunities

Education

- Public and private schools among the state’s best
- Auburn University – 28,000+ students and 1,100 full-time faculty; 13 schools and colleges with over 140 majors across undergraduate, graduate, and doctorate levels
- Southern Union State Community College – 5,000 total students at 3 campuses
- More than 15 state, private, and technical colleges and universities located within an hour’s drive

We provide a perfect fit for those who stay active.

- HealthPlus – EAMC’s 40,000-sq. ft. advanced fitness center, the first one in Alabama certified by the Medical Fitness Association
- Opelika Sportsplex & Aquatic Center – cardio and weights, indoor pool, racquetball, basketball, splash park, walking trails, soccer fields, disc golf course
- Yarbrough Tennis Center – six indoor courts, 12 outdoor with stadium seating; 16 clay courts
- Parks and Recreation – beautiful parks, sports leagues, and classes from Zumba to ballroom dance to ceramics
- Miracle League of East Alabama – baseball league serving the needs of more than 200 special children and adults

The great outdoors in any season

- League of American Bicyclists Bicycle Friendly Community – designated, safe trails through parks, neighborhoods, and historical sites
- Chewacla State Park – 626 scenic acres, with 26-acre lake, waterfalls, hiking, mountain biking, and campsites
- Tuskegee National Forest – year-round hiking, biking and horse trails, plus wildlife viewing
- Louise Kreher Forest Ecology Preserve – 120 acres and 30+ trails along varied habitats
- Kiesel Park – includes a pavilion, garden, pond, and pet-friendly walking trail; home of Auburn CityFest

The skilled professionals at EAMC work exceedingly well together. They and their neighbors live well together. We welcome you to join us here.

“I work out seven days a week.

Zumba, RPM, kickboxing—I

love them all. HealthPlus

Fitness Center is a medically

based fitness center owned by

the hospital and is a wonderful

place to exercise. Everybody knows everybody. The

instructors are excellent. It’s like a big family. The

hospital is like a big family too.”

–“Deka” Obiekwe, M.D., OB/GYN



“This job was the best job I interviewed

for. I wanted a job that utilized all

my skills—not just seeing babies in

the office. Here, I get to take care

of my own patients in the hospital,

participate in deliveries, and visit

inpatient babies in the nursery. Another reason this was

a great move was because of my husband, Ron, an avid

cyclist, and a participant in the last three Paralympic

Games. This is a great community for safe cycling and

being in the great outdoors.”

–Brooke Williams, M.D., Pediatrician





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