



Summit Healthcare Brings da Vinci 5 Robotic Surgery System to the White Mountains

SHOW LOW, May 15, 2026 - Summit Healthcare is proud to announce the arrival of the da Vinci 5 robotic surgical system, bringing advanced surgical technology to patients across the White Mountains and surrounding communities.

The addition of the da Vinci 5 marks another major milestone in Summit Healthcare's continued investment in advanced medical technology, innovation, and expanding access to exceptional care. Over the coming weeks, surgeons and surgical teams will complete advanced training and preparation ahead of the organization's first da Vinci robotic assisted surgery case.

Summit Healthcare general surgeon Dr. Lynn Bryan is set to perform the first da Vinci 5 procedure at Summit Healthcare in May, a milestone moment for the hospital and for surgical care in the region. Dr. Bryan brings extensive experience in robotic assisted surgery and has been instrumental in preparing Summit Healthcare's surgical program for this next chapter.

Summit Healthcare has long been committed to bringing leading edge healthcare technology to the region, including the use of the ROSA robotic surgical system. The arrival of the da Vinci 5 further enhances the capabilities of Summit's highly skilled surgical team by providing greater precision, visualization, and control during minimally invasive procedures.

For patients, robotic assisted surgery can offer significant benefits including smaller incisions, less pain, shorter hospital stays, and faster recovery times, allowing patients to return to their lives more quickly.

The investment also reinforces Summit Healthcare's ongoing commitment to attracting and retaining top physicians, surgeons, and healthcare professionals dedicated to serving rural Arizona communities.

"Every decision we make starts with our community and how we can best serve the people who call the White Mountains home. The arrival of the da Vinci 5 reflects that commitment, an investment in ensuring our community has access to exceptional, compassionate surgical care. We are honored to bring this technology to our patients and proud of the dedicated team making it possible," said William Gardner, CEO of Summit Healthcare.

As Summit Healthcare prepares for its first da Vinci 5 procedure, this advancement represents more than new technology. It reflects a continued commitment to shaping the future of rural healthcare and ensuring patients throughout the region have access to innovative, high quality care.

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About Summit Healthcare: Summit Healthcare is a not for profit regional medical center serving the White Mountains of Northeastern Arizona, providing care for more than 90,000 residents across a 3,000 square mile area. For over 50 years, we have been committed to delivering exceptional, compassionate care close to home through investment in advanced technology and a broad range of physician specialties.