

**FACT SHEET****Timeline of Sparrow's robotic-assisted surgery**

*Sparrow Hospital brings the first da Vinci system to mid-Michigan in May 2005, performs 1,000<sup>th</sup> surgery in August 2008*

**May 2005** — Sparrow becomes the first hospital in mid-Michigan to acquire a da Vinci robotic surgical system. Joseph Mashni, M.D., and Rafid Yousif, M.D., perform Sparrow's first robotic-assisted surgery, a prostatectomy (the surgical removal of part or all of the prostate gland).

**December 2005** — Donald Bartkowski, D.O., performs mid-Michigan's first robotic-assisted pediatric urology surgery.

**May 2006** — Joseph Meunier, M.D., performs Sparrow's first hysterectomy using the da Vinci system.

**January 2008** — Sparrow acquires its second da Vinci unit, making it the only hospital in the region to have two da Vinci surgical systems.

**June 2008** — Sparrow moves its robotic surgical systems into two new state-of-the-art operating rooms in the Sparrow Tower, accommodating the increasing demand for robotic-assisted surgeries. With this move, an average of 16 robotic-assisted surgeries are performed each week at Sparrow — 60 percent are urological procedures and 40 percent are gynecological procedures.

**August 2008** — Sparrow's robotic surgery team marks a memorable milestone: Dr. Yousif performs the hospital's 1,000<sup>th</sup> robotic-assisted surgery on Aug. 8, 2008.

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