



Gov. Northam Celebrates InnovAge's Grand Opening of Richmond Center

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New Richmond PACE center supports independence for seniors

(Richmond, VA) - The [Honorable Ralph Northam](#), Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and other states leaders celebrated the grand opening of the new InnovAge PACE Center, 750 East 6th Street in Richmond. The new center is one of four InnovAge PACE centers in Virginia and replaces the MacTavish Avenue facility.

[Daniel Carey, MD](#), Virginia secretary of health and human resources and Terry Smith, director of aging and disability services with the Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services also attended the event. US Senator Tim Kaine provided a [video message](#).

Known nationally as the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly, PACE is an alternative to nursing facilities designed to keep older adults independent and living at home for as long as safely possible.

Centrally located in Richmond, InnovAge's new PACE center will serve 315 participants annually in the 18,779 square foot building. The facility features a modern dental clinic and a larger primary care clinic. Also, the new center offers multiple day rooms, beautiful outside patio and a large physical therapy area. The new facility design supports more individualized care for functional and cognitive participant needs.

"Our passion and mission at InnovAge are to provide services to the most vulnerable seniors to help them age independently with dignity. The PACE program is the best way to do that," said Maureen Hewitt, InnovAge president and CEO. "The opening of this new Richmond facility is part of our effort to bring PACE to more seniors throughout the country. Virginia has always been welcoming and supportive of caring for seniors, and we are glad to be here."

PACE participants receive the services of primary care physicians, nurses, dentists, social workers, home care workers, physical and occupational therapists, and pharmacists. Services are provided at neighborhood PACE centers, which are both medical facilities and social hubs. Transportation to and from seniors' homes and to PACE centers, as well as approved specialty care appointments, is included.