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First Surgical Partners opens Memorial clinic following renovation

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First Surgical Partners LLC. announced Wednesday the opening of First Surgical Memorial Village -- the company's third outpatient surgery center in the Houston area.

Houston-based First Surgical launched its first outpatient surgery center in Bellaire in early 2003 and its second in the Woodlands in late 2005.

"We recognize people need state-of-art medical facilities in their communities and they don't want to settle for less than the highest level of surgical care and convenience in their own neighborhoods," says Dr. Jacob Varon, a reconstructive and plastic surgeon who serves as chairman of First Surgical.

First Surgical Partners purchased the physician-owned Memorial Village medical facility in February and renovated the 13,000 square-foot facility before reopening it. About 80 percent of patient care at the Memorial Village facility will consist of pain management, general surgery, orthopedics and podiatry.

According to statistics published in Outpatient Surgery Magazine and cited by First Surgical, the number of surgical procedures performed in the U.S. from 1981 to 1998 has doubled from 20 million to 40 million and has increased by 25 percent each year as baby boomers continue to age. It is estimated that outpatient surgery accounts for more than 80 percent of all surgeries in the nation.

"By partnering with the best surgeons in their specialty, we are able to build our centers around their capabilities and accommodate patient needs with specialized practice," says First Surgical Partners CEO Tony Rotondo.

With 65 employees, First Surgical Partners plans to continue to launch additional outpatient surgery centers and is currently putting the finishing touches on a new Bellaire facility set to open in July.

First Surgical currently operates First Street Surgical Center at 411 S. First St. in Bellaire; First Surgical Woodlands at 111 Vision Park Blvd. in Conroe; and First Surgical Memorial Village at 12727 Kimberley Lane in Houston.

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