The new technology is available at LG Health facilities where cardiac ultrasounds are offered, including each ambulatory center. The highest volume of the new machines is located at The Heart Group at the Harrisburg Pike location and at Lancaster General Hospital Duke Street. Work is also underway to establish a site at the Suburban Pavilion to provide ease of access to echocardiograms for oncology patients at the Ann B. Baughinger Institute (ABBCI).

“The collaboration between the LG Health Heart & Vascular team and ABBCI is imperative as certain chemotherapy medications are known to have a negative effect on heart function,” said Scott Trunzo, director, Non-Invasive Cardiology and Rehab Services. “The ideal care for our cancer patients is to be first seen by a cardiologist before starting chemotherapy treatment – having a location adjacent to the Cancer Institute provides the most convenient option for our patients,” Trunzo continued.

The new Philips EPIQ CVx 3-D machines provide superior 3-D image quality to better diagnose cardiac conditions like pulmonary hypertension, congenital heart disease, coronary disease, heart failure, and cancer therapy-related cardiac dysfunction. The machines, which are enhanced with AI technology, help the cardiac sonographers see all angles of the heart, leading to more enhanced images and more efficient reviews.

“This new ultrasound technology provides the highest level of care for our cardiology patients and reinforces that Penn Medicine Lancaster General Health is the premier cardiology provider in our region,” said Tim Zellers, executive director, Lancaster Heart & Vascular Institute.
Preferred pronouns indicate a person’s gender for which they identify and how they wish to be identified by others— which may or may not differ from their sex assigned at birth. Commonly used gender pronouns include he/him/his, she/her/hers, they/them/theirs, or a combination of pronouns. Respecting an individual’s preferred gender pronouns is important in healthcare settings to help the patient feel safe and acknowledge their gender identity.

While patients have been able to affirm their sexual orientation, sex assigned at birth, and gender identity through their MyLGHealth accounts, providers did not have a way to identify their preferred pronouns with patients. Recently, providers were given a preference to use their preferred gender pronouns when accessing health care resources.

The LG Health Web Services team, which oversees LG Health’s Find a Doctor application, collaborated with colleagues across Penn Medicine to expand this change beyond LG Health. "This change was immediately welcomed and implemented across the Penn Medicine system," said Holly Auer, director of Public Relations & Corporate Communications. "The talented teams and advanced technology that we have here at LG Health will enable us to continue the work we have done for 129 years and create the healthiest community we could possibly live in."

Throughout the week, employees had the opportunity to select a token gift of appreciation, as well as sign up to receive tickets to a home game with the Philadelphia Phillies—a special experience available to all Penn Medicine employees.

On April 30, members of the Penn Medicine Lancaster General Health Diversity, Equity and Inclusion committee joined thousands of runners and walkers for the Lancaster YWCA’s 24th annual Race Against Racism. LG Health joined as a Champion-level sponsor of this year’s event.

The race, a 5K run or walk through Lancaster City, begins and ends at Musser Park, a local community park just a few blocks from Lancaster General Hospital. In addition to having an official race team, LG Health had a booth at the event where Human Resources shared information regarding career opportunities, and the Lead-Free Families team shared information on free lead remediation within Lancaster County homes. All proceeds from the event support the Lancaster YWCA’s Center for Racial and Gender Equity, which aims to eliminate racism and empower women to have equitable access to personal, community and professional opportunities, free from racial injustice.

The Lancaster race is the longest-running Race Against Racism in the country.