LEESBURG and LADY LAKE, Fla. – Consistent with its strategy of aligning itself with world class radiation oncology providers nationwide, Vantage Oncology Inc. has announced its partnership with InterCommunity Cancer Centers (ICCC), which owns two freestanding radiation oncology centers located in Leesburg at Leesburg Regional Medical Center and Lady Lake, Fla, next to the Villages. Vantage Oncology, an El Segundo, Calif.-based developer and operator of state-of-the-art radiation oncology centers, will provide additional capital, advanced information technologies, clinical expertise and management experience to the ICCC facilities. Radiation therapy and diagnostic services will be provided by Dr. Jacobson and his physician group, Cancer Care Associates, P.A. (CCA).

The InterCommunity Cancer Centers provide total patient care and advanced radiation therapy services to the North Central Florida service area. At the Leesburg facility, radiation therapy services include, XiO’s Advanced Treatment Planning System with Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT), Nomos Ultrasound Directed Positioning System, VariSeed Treatment Planning system for prostate cancer, a Nucletron High-Dose Rate Brachytherapy Unit and stereotactic and radiosurgery techniques with the 3-d Line micro-MLC and treatment planning system.. The Lady Lake facility is networked to the above and adds the Varian 2100C LINAC, KODAK AccuLoc Image Guided Radiation therapy precision localization system, GE CT stimulator, and SonArray Ultrasound Directed Positioning System.

“We are excited about this joint venture with Vantage Oncology because it provides us with an outstanding solution to our expanding radiation oncology growth bringing additional capital for the latest technology and extensive management experience,” said Hal M. Jacobson, M.D., founder and President of InterCommunity Cancer Centers and Cancer Care Associates, P.A. “This management partnership enhances our 22 years of dedication towards providing our community, friends, and neighbors with access to the most advanced, precise, and sophisticated cancer treatments available.”

“This new network of centers will enable us to provide patients in outlying communities with the latest technology to treat cancers more accurately and aggressively,” said Leslie Botnick, M.D., Chief Medical Officer of Vantage Oncology. “Cancer continues to affect millions of people every year, and as a patient you want a team of experts that is dedicated to helping you beat this disease. I am confident we have partnered with a team of experts that can effectively educate and treat the patients who have entrusted us with their health.”
“We are elated to enter the North Central Florida market and to have the opportunity to provide state-of-the-art diagnostic and radiation therapy services,” said Michael T. Fiore, CEO of Vantage Oncology. “In conjunction with InterCommunity Cancer Centers of North Florida, it is our commitment to deliver compassionate and innovative care to every cancer patient who walks through our doors.”

ABOUT VANTAGE ONCOLOGY, INC.
Vantage Oncology, Inc. develops, acquires, manages and operates state-of-the-art radiation oncology centers. El Segundo, Calif.-based Vantage Oncology is led by a seasoned management team, including Chief Executive Officer Michael Fiore, Chief Medical Officer Leslie Botnick, M.D., Chief Financial Officer Marshal Salomon and Chief Development Officer Mark Ahern. Vantage Oncology was created in response to the growing need among cancer patients, hospitals and physicians for accessible and advanced radiation treatment therapies and was funded by CCP Equity Partners, New Enterprise Associates, Versant Ventures and Salix Ventures. For more information about Vantage Oncology, visit www.vantageoncology.com.

INTERCOMMUNITY CANCER CENTERS (Leesburg and Lady Lake, FL)
The Technology Leadership of the InterCommunity Cancer Center discovers and provides new techniques and skills ahead of most universities and other cancer centers. Founded in 1985 by Dr. Hal M. Jacobson, this leadership has been recognized at State and National levels by requests to provide invited lectures to University and National Conferences as well as development and educational consulting services to major corporations. All ICCC physicians are Board Certified and practice in affiliation with Moffitt Cancer Institute. Locations in Lady Lake and Leesburg, were created to provide this expertise in the comfort of the patient’s own community avoiding the risks, stress, and cost of extensive travel. ICCC also provides coordination of health care services with a variety of conventional and complementary practitioners for all forms of cancer. Among the treatment options they offer: first in the area to offer IMRT, MammoSite breast treatment, prostate “seed” implants, Varian Clinac Linear Accelerators, H.D.R.Brachytherapy, XiO 3-D Treatment Planning System and FOCAL virtual simulation, KODAK AcculocAccuLoc based and ultrasound based IGRT, first in the State of Florida to offer Cesium-131 seeds, dedicated C T Scan Treatment Simulator and Virtual Simulation of treatments for precision planning. The advanced technology is managed by an experienced team of experts including Dosimetrists, Radiation Therapists, and Medical Physicists.