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## **New Surgeon Joins St. James Mercy Hospital**

**November 17, 2011...Hornell, NY...**St. James Mercy Hospital is pleased to announce that **Irfan Rizvi, MD** will be joining the Hospital as a General/Colorectal Surgeon on March 1, 2012.

Board-certified in surgery and colon-rectal surgery, Dr. Rizvi attained his Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree from Aga Khan University Medical College (Pakistan), and completed his fellowship at the Royal College of Surgeons (England).

Since 2001, Dr. Rizvi has trained and practiced in the United States at Buffalo General Hospital, West Virginia University Hospitals, Spectrum Health/Michigan State University (Ferguson Clinic), and most recently at Schuyler Hospital (Montour Falls, NY). He has published and presented numerous papers on surgical and cancer-related topics. Dr. Rizvi currently resides in Corning, NY.

According to Dr. Bradley Truax, St. James Mercy Chief Medical Director, "We are very pleased and fortunate to recruit a surgeon of Dr. Rizvi's caliber. He is an experienced and well-respected professional whose special interest in GI problems and cancer will expand local access to these much-needed services in the community. We look forward to him joining the surgical staff at St. James Mercy Hospital."

Dr. Rizvi's new office will be located at 460 Canisteo Street, Hornell, and he will begin seeing patients in March 2012. Appointment and contact information will be made available in the near future.



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