



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Kenneth P. LaValle

## STATE FUNDS SECURED BY SENATOR LAVALLE HELP MATHER HOSPITAL PURCHASE ULTRASOUND BRACHYTHERAPY UNIT

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Senator Kenneth P. LaValle recently visited John T. Mather Memorial Hospital to see the newest ultrasound Brachytherapy unit. The Senator was able to secure \$125,000 in state funding to help the

hospital purchase the unit. Brachytherapy is a minimally invasive procedure used to treat localized prostate cancer. The ultrasound is a new method of treatment that allows for more consistent radiation coverage of cancer-bearing regions, while sparing adjacent normal tissue from excessive radiation.