

GYNECOLOGIC ONCOLOGY PROGRAM

Partners in Cancer Care



- A National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center
- University-based physicians and resources including physician-scientists knowledgeable in cutting-edge treatments
- Personalized treatment by a nationally renowned team of specialists



The Gynecologic Oncology Program

The gynecologic oncology program consists of gynecologic cancer experts from multiple specialties who work together to provide patients with excellent cancer care. They have expertise in ovarian, uterine, cervical and female reproductive tract cancers. Clinics are also dedicated to patients at high risk for gynecologic cancer. Physicians are trained in palliative care and participate in a bi-monthly gynecologic oncology tumor board for discussion of patient diagnosis and coordination of care.

Surgery

Provide surgical treatment of benign, pre-malignant and malignant diseases of the female reproductive tract.

- Radical surgery for ovarian cancer debulking, cervical cancer, vulvar and advanced cancers
- Minimally invasive surgery including robotic- or laparoscopic-assisted surgery, for cancer staging and treatment for cervical cancer and uterine cancer
- Palliative surgery
- Reconstructive surgery including muscle flaps for vulvar reconstruction, urinary conduits and bowel surgery related to cancer treatment
- Fertility-sparing surgery for early-stage cancers when appropriate
- High risk evaluation and treatment including counseling for risk reduction, novel clinical trials and prophylactic oophorectomy/hysterectomy
- Evaluation and management of pre-malignant conditions of the vulva, vagina and cervix including laser ablation therapy

Chemotherapy

Provide state-of-the-art chemotherapy tailored to individual needs

- Chemotherapy including: neoadjuvant chemotherapy, adjuvant chemotherapy, consolidation therapy, salvage chemotherapy, and hormonal therapy
- Clinical trials, including both national multi-institution (Southwest Oncology Group and Gynecologic Oncology Group) and local trials designed by our own physicians
- Intraperitoneal chemotherapy
- Chemotherapy for radiation sensitization
- Translational laboratory research focusing on ovarian cancer biology uncovering the fundamental basis for cancer metastasis

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Radiation

Provide state-of-the art gynecologic cancer radiation tailored to patient needs

- Intensity modulated radiation therapy
- Vaginal brachytherapy, both high and low dose
- External beam radiation
- Palliative radiation

Psychosocial Oncology

Specially trained psychiatrists, therapists and social workers support patients and their loved ones in their fight against cancer with individual therapy, support groups and medical therapy

High-Risk Program

Evaluation for genetic cancer syndromes, genetic counseling and testing geared to women at risk for ovarian and breast cancer. Prevention and treatment options offered in a multidisciplinary fashion by medical geneticists, gynecologic and medical oncologists, and a genetic counselor.

The Team

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