

NORTHSIDE HOSPITAL CANCER INSTITUTE

HEAD & NECK PROGRAM

Successful Growth of the Northside Head & Neck Cancer Program



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We are celebrating the two-year anniversary of Northside Hospital Cancer Institute's (NHCI) **Head & Neck Program!** We are the only comprehensive community-based Head & Neck Cancer Program in Georgia. We utilize cutting-edge treatments, advanced technologies, and highly skilled clinicians to provide excellent and compassionate cancer care through an integrated, multidisciplinary approach.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- More than 600 surgeries completed by our two fellowship-trained head and neck oncologic surgeons, including more than 100 microvascular reconstruction surgeries
- Dedicated advanced practice providers who have extensive knowledge and training in head and neck surgical oncology
- Continuous and prospective communication with referring physicians
- Streamlined and efficient process to transition patients from new patient consultation, pre-operative testing, & surgery to post-operative care
- Discussion of cases at our weekly head and neck multidisciplinary tumor conference with dedicated pathologists, oncologists, radiation oncologists, dietitian, surgical oncologists, and additional health care team members
- Extensive patient support services available to ensure outstanding outcomes, including speech and language rehabilitation, dietitian, oncology patient navigation and genetic counseling
- Establishment of a quality management program, regular reviewing of surgical outcomes and patient satisfaction data

SURGICAL EXPERTISE

Our fellowship-trained surgical oncologists perform complex head and neck surgery and reconstruction using the most advanced and minimally invasive surgical techniques including:

- Transoral laser microsurgery (TLM)
- Transoral robotic surgery (TORS)- available fall 2023
- 3D computer planning for complex mandibular and midface reconstruction

TIMELY DIAGNOSIS AND EVALUATION

Our outpatient facility’s advanced diagnostic equipment allows us to quickly diagnose cancers. We can perform laryngoscopy, ultrasound, fine needle aspiration, and biopsies in our outpatient facility. New patient consultation appointments are **usually scheduled within 48 hours and occur within four business days.**



“Everyone was extremely professional and courteous. I felt cared for by everyone I interacted with.”
-Head & neck cancer patient



A **QUALITY PROGRAM**
of the **AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS**

We thank you for trusting our highly skilled and trained team members to take care of your head and neck cancer patients with leading-edge surgical and medical interventions.

To request a patient consultation, please call **404-497-8700**.

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BUILT TO BEAT CANCER

95%

**OF CANCER PATIENTS
RECOMMEND NORTHSIDE
TO THEIR FRIENDS & FAMILY**

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