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Rush University System for Health

Bladder Cancer Care at Rush

Combining the expertise of its oncology, radiation oncology and urology programs, Bladder Cancer Care at Rush features a robust menu of both surgical and non-surgical treatment options for patients with bladder cancer.

Our subspecialty trained surgeons use the latest and most effective operative procedures for cancer, such as cystectomy, urinary diversion and neobladder reconstruction, and incorporate robotic techniques whenever appropriate. The use of robotic procedures and other minimally invasive techniques provides patients with shorter hospital stays, less pain and faster recovery times. In particular, our use of robotic techniques for bladder removal and urinary reconstruction procedures frequently results in average length of stays for patients of less than five days.

When non-surgical treatments are involved, we draw upon a collaborative, multidisciplinary approach. In focusing on the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of bladder cancer, our therapies are based on cutting-edge research and Rush's participation in the latest clinical trials, which provide our patients with the most innovative and effective treatment options.

Why refer your patients here?

Nationally recognized expertise: *U.S. News & World Report* ranks Rush University Medical Center among the nation's top 50 hospitals for cancer care.

Leaders in bladder cancer surgery: Urologists at Rush are among the few providers in the Midwest to offer robotic cystectomy with intracorporeal urinary diversion for patients with advanced bladder cancer. This minimally invasive procedure can lead to less pain and quicker recovery of urinary function, compared to open surgery.

Personalized options: Bladder cancer experts at Rush work closely with Tempus, a biotechnology company whose powerful software can analyze a patient's specific genetic and clinical data. This analysis can suggest how their cancer might respond to specific therapies, allowing their care team to tailor the treatment accordingly.

Convenient follow-up care: After recovering from bladder cancer, patients often require frequent follow-up visits. To make this care as convenient as possible, we offer video and phone visits, as well as care at multiple locations across the Chicago area.

Types of bladder cancer we treat

- Transitional cell
- Small cell
- Urachal
- Adenocarcinoma
- Squamous cell
- Other variant histologies

Treatments

Non-surgical

- Systemic chemotherapy
- Systemic immunotherapy
- Intravesical therapy
- Radiation therapy

Surgical

- Robotic cystectomy with intracorporeally constructed diversion
- Neobladder construction
- Partial or total cystectomy and revision
- Transurethral resection of a bladder tumor
- Urinary diversion and revision

Learn more:
rush.edu/bladder-cancer

Our Team



Edward Cherullo, MD
Chair, Department of Urology
Clinical expertise
Complex urinary reconstruction
Genitourinary cancer



Andrew Stephenson, MD
Clinical expertise
Advanced single port robotics
Genitourinary cancer
Robotic cystectomy
Robotic intracorporeal diversion



Alexander Chow, MD
Clinical expertise
Advanced single port robotics
Genitourinary cancer



Alan Tan, MD
Clinical expertise
Clinical trials
Genitourinary cancer
Precision genomic cancer
medicine



Christopher Coogan, MD
Clinical expertise
Genitourinary cancer



Srinivas Vourganti, MD
Clinical expertise
Genitourinary cancer
Minimally invasive cancer
diagnostics



Timothy Kuzel, MD
Clinical expertise
Chemotherapy
Clinical trials
Genitourinary cancer
Immunotherapy



Dian Wang, MD, PhD
Clinical expertise
Brachytherapy
Genitourinary cancer
Sarcoma

Locations

Rush University Medical Center
1725 W. Harrison St.
Chicago, IL 60612

Rush South Loop
1411 S. Michigan Ave.
Chicago, IL 60605

Rush Radiation Medicine
500 S Paulina St.
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Rush Oak Brook
2011 York Road
Oak Brook, IL 60523

Rush Oak Park
610 S. Maple Ave.
Oak Park, IL 60304

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Cell Therapy**
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Lisle, IL 60532

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