

The Interventional Endoscopy Program at Rush

Interventional gastroenterologists at Rush offer the full range of endoscopic procedures for patients with gastrointestinal cancers, Barrett's esophagus, complex polyps, pancreatobiliary diseases and more.

Fast, convenient access

- For patients with a possible diagnosis of cancer, we can typically schedule an outpatient visit or a procedure within one to two business days if needed.
- For any patient, we can schedule an outpatient visit or procedure within three to five business days.
- We offer a full range of inpatient interventional endoscopy services.
- An interventional gastroenterologist is on call 24/7 and can perform emergent procedures as needed.

A collaborative referral relationship

We value close partnerships. Our staff will work with you to determine your patient's needs and keep you updated on all aspects of their care.

After the procedure, we'll promptly return your patient to your care. Depending on your needs and preferences, we can also co-manage care.

Conditions treated

- Ampullary adenomas, polyps or tumors
- Autoimmune diseases of the bile duct and pancreas
- Barrett's esophagus
- Bile duct cancer
- Bile duct stones, leaks and other diseases/strictures
- Colorectal cancer
- Complex colon polyps
- Complications of bariatric surgery and revision of prior bariatric surgery
- Esophageal cancer
- Fistulas and leaks
- Gallbladder cancer
- Gastroesophageal reflux disease
- Gastrointestinal stromal tumors
- Pancreatic cancer
- Pancreatic cysts
- Pancreatitis (acute and chronic) and its complications
- Primary sclerosing cholangitis
- Small bowel disease
- Stomach cancer

Procedures offered

- Balloon enteroscopy
- Celiac plexus block and neurolysis
- Cholangioscopy and pancreatoscopy (SpyGlass)
- Endoscopic mucosal resection (EMR)
- Endoscopic pseudocyst drainage
- Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP)
- Endoscopic Submucosal Dissection (ESD)
- Endoscopic ultrasound (EUS) with fine needle aspiration/biopsy
- Esophageal, enteral and colonic stent placement
- Extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy (ESWL)
- Fistula stenting or suturing
- Percutaneous endoscopic transgastric jejunostomy (PEG-J tube placement)
- Radiofrequency ablation of Barrett's esophagus and bile duct cancer/strictures
- Video capsule endoscopy
- Volumetric laser endomicroscopy (VLE)

Contact Us

For a consultation or to refer a patient to an interventional gastroenterologist at Rush, please call **(312) 563-3800**.
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Excellence is just the beginning.

Interventional Gastroenterologists at Rush



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Languages other than English:
Italian, Spanish



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Languages other than English:
Hindi, Punjabi

An experienced, dedicated team

Interventional gastroenterologists at Rush perform more than 2,000 procedures a year.

Our specially trained nurses and physician assistants are exclusively dedicated to caring for interventional endoscopy patients.

Coordinated multidisciplinary care

If your patient needs care from other specialists at Rush, we'll help coordinate their care. We participate in, or work closely with, the following Rush programs:

- The Coleman Foundation Comprehensive Clinic for Gastrointestinal Cancers, which brings together multidisciplinary team of experts who see patients together and collaborate on every aspect of care
- Center for Weight Loss and Bariatric Surgery, where patients can access bariatric surgery and lifestyle-focused weight loss services

- Liver transplant program, which consistently has outstanding outcomes and often the best outcomes of any liver transplant program in the Chicago area, according to data compiled by the Scientific Registry of Transplant Recipients.

New, well-equipped facilities

Rush's endoscopy center — which moved to a brand new unit in 2016 — includes three state-of-the-art procedure rooms dedicated to interventional gastroenterology procedures. It also includes a pre-operative and recovery area, and private consultation rooms.

Your patient's loved ones can wait in a quiet, comfortable family lounge, which includes a play area for children.

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