

## Seamless Care in a True Institute Setting

### One Team. One Office. One Vision.

"Whether providing a second-opinion for a patient with elevated LFTs, resecting a liver tumor or performing a liver transplant, our team of outstanding surgeons, liver specialists, nurses and support staff work together to provide outstanding care to all our patients. That's why our results are second to none."

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Texas Transplant Physician Group serves patients at Texas Transplant Institute on the campus of Methodist Specialty and Transplant Hospital - A Methodist Hospital Facility



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Excellent 1-year and 3-year patient survival rates.  
(source: [www.ustransplant.org](http://www.ustransplant.org))

1-year patient survival rates ranked above average nationally

On a percentage basis, more medically-urgent transplants performed here than at any other program in Texas (based on patient MELD scores)

Only liver disease center in Central and South Texas offering new and innovative treatment for primary liver cancer patients when neither resective surgical procedures nor transplantation are viable options

Comprehensive liver disease and liver failure programs optimize every available medical therapy and avoid transplantation whenever possible

Hepatology & Liver Disease

Liver Transplant

Liver Tumor Management

Hepatobiliary Surgery

Visit us at <http://www.texastransplantphysicians.com/index.php/liver/our-results.html> for the latest survival rates. Texas Transplant Physician Group serves patients at Texas Transplant Institute on the campus of Methodist Specialty and Transplant Hospital.

## Hepatology and Liver Disease

Our Hepatology & Liver Disease team sees patients with the following conditions:

Hepatitis B, C, autoimmune  
Primary biliary cirrhosis  
Sclerosing cholangitis  
Budd-Chiari syndrome  
Fatty liver disease  
Alcoholic cirrhosis  
Fulminant hepatic failure  
Hemochromatosis  
Wilson's disease  
Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency  
Medication-induced liver toxicity



**Our surgeons & hepatologists work together to provide outstanding, seamless care.**

We also provide second-opinion consultations, especially for:

Fatty liver disease/NASH  
Hepatitis B & C treatment  
Elevated liver function test results

**We are experts in treating liver failure with a multidisciplinary team approach.**

## Liver Transplant

### A unique surgical approach

Combines the best features of traditional liver transplantation to provide outstanding results

Uses both veno-veno bypass and piggy-back techniques for optimum patient safety

Operative mortality is less than one percent over the last eight years

### A unique liver preservation technique

Cold preservation perfusion of liver allograft during implantation

Simultaneous reperfusion of the liver allograft with both hepatic artery and portal vein blood flow

### A unique approach to immunosuppression for the recipient following liver transplantation

Elimination of high-dose corticosteroids during the transplantation procedure

Starting immunosuppressive drugs in three tiers based on the general strength of recipient's immune system immediately following liver transplantation

Biopsy-directed immunosuppression (performing serial liver allograft biopsies and using the results to guide the dosing of immunosuppressive drugs)

### A unique approach to treatment of Hepatitis C following liver transplantation

A successful low-dose maintenance interferon and ribavirin treatment protocol for liver transplant patients with Hepatitis C. Approximately 60% of patients will be negative for Hepatitis C within six months of treatment.

## Indications for Liver Transplant

Liver transplants are performed in patients with end-stage liver disease and liver failure.

Patients with end-stage liver disease from some of the conditions listed below may eventually require a liver transplant:

Hepatitis B, C, autoimmune  
Liver cancer  
Alcoholic cirrhosis  
Fulminant hepatic failure  
Primary biliary cirrhosis  
Primary sclerosing cholangitis

## Liver Tumor Management

Our Comprehensive Hepatobiliary Cancer Team is truly unique in Texas

State-of-the-art diagnostic liver tumor imaging capabilities

Liver surgical team with experience in tumor resection

Radioactive microsphere infusion therapy

Percutaneous or laparoscopic ablation of liver tumors

Minimally-invasive chemo-embolization of liver tumors

CyberKnife® and NanoKnife®

Access to latest chemotherapy trials for gastrointestinal cancers

## Liver Tumor Consortium

Multidisciplinary tumor board meets biweekly



## Hepatobiliary Surgery

Because our transplant surgeons have extensive experience in complex liver procedures like transplantation, they and a team of interventional radiologists are ideally suited to treat patients with complex bile duct problems including bile duct injuries.

Liver resection for metastatic liver tumors

Consultation for patients with bile duct injuries and biliary strictures

Consultation for cystic lesions of the liver

Consultation for patients with cholangiocarcinomas

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