



## Gynecologic Oncology, Gynecology (Robotics) & Urogynecology

### Program Facts for Physicians and Patients

### Gynecologic Oncology

The gynecologic oncology service offers comprehensive care for women with gynecologic malignancies and our medical team utilizes the latest modalities for treatment of these as well as precancerous lesions and suspicious pelvic masses.

Minimally invasive laparoscopic procedures are used for diagnosis, staging and treatment of gynecologic malignancies. We offer radical vaginal trachelectomy (radical removal of cervix only) or radical vaginal hysterectomy for appropriately selected early stage cervix cancer.

Thanks to advances in technology and ongoing research in surgery, many surgical procedures can now be performed in a minimally invasive manner, meaning incisions are smaller and recovery is often faster. Minimally invasive surgery (robotic and advanced laparoscopic surgery) allows surgeons to perform procedures that traditionally required an 8 to 10 inch incision – to be done today through three or four tiny 1/2-inch incisions.

As a result, many patients experience better outcomes and satisfaction, as well as:

- Significantly less pain
- Less blood loss and need for transfusion
- Less risk of infection
- Shorter hospital stay
- Faster recovery time and return to normal activities
- Small incisions for minimal scarring

### Advanced Laparoscopic and Robotic Surgery

Many patients have a medical history that once necessitated an “open” surgical procedure, including: multiple prior surgeries, large fibroid uterus, high body mass index (BMI), known severe endometriosis and adhesions, or desired fertility with multiple fibroids.

NYHQ uses the new third generation da Vinci® Robotic Surgery Si System, the most advanced model available. It has been shown to provide superior clinical results when compared to non-robotic traditional and scope assisted procedures because it allows the surgeon a full three-dimensional high-resolution view during the surgery. The steady movements of the robotic arms allow for the highly precise removal of diseased tissue through three or four tiny 1/2-inch incisions.

## **Urogynecology**

Urogynecology is a subspecialty of gynecology for the treatment of acquired or congenital problems related to the pelvic floor, pelvic organ anatomy or urinary tract function. This includes urinary and fecal incontinence, pelvic organ prolapse, genourinary fistulas and painful bladder syndrome/interstitial cystitis.

We manage many pelvic conditions with minimally invasive therapy. We use state-of-the art diagnostic equipment, in-office multi-channel urodynamic testing, cystoscopy and proven therapies. From pelvic organ prolapse to incontinence, we can offer the most advance symptom relief and treatments available to women today.

Conservative treatments include: pelvic floor behavioral therapy and exercises, biofeedback, placement of pessary, urethral bulking for management of stress urinary incontinence and bladder neuromodulation. Surgical treatments include: vaginal reconstructive surgery, abdominal reconstructive surgery, laparoscopic (minimally invasive) reconstructive surgery, pubovaginal slings, robotic-assisted laparoscopic surgery.

## **INSURANCE**

We accept most insurance plans; for questions about physician participation in your insurance, please call the doctor's offices. To obtain the most accurate information pertaining to your insurance, please check with your insurance carrier to discuss the benefits provided by your medical plan prior to your visit.

## **HOW DO I GET AN APPOINTMENT?**

Appointments are made with the assistance of our administrative support staff by calling the doctors offices at the numbers listed below. If you require language assistance, our department has various staff members who are available for language interpretation. In addition, we have a phone-based language interpretation service available.

## **WHO DO I CALL FOR A CONSULTATION?**

### Gynecologic Oncology

Marie Welshinger, M.D., Director, Gynecologic Oncology, 718-670-1170

Manolis Tsatsas, M.D., Attending Gynecologic Oncologist, 718-670-1170

### Urogynecology

Bogdan Grigorescu, M.D., Director, Urogynecology, 718-670-2309

### Robotic Surgery

Kathy Huang, M.D. Attending Physician, 718- 358-0361

## **WHERE ARE SERVICES OFFERED?**

At the Hospital: 56-45 Main Street, Flushing, NY 11355

Dr. Huang's office is located at 56-18 Main Street (across the street from hospital)

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