Breast Cancer Program

overview

Froedtert & The Medical College of Wisconsin offer a comprehensive, highly experienced team to treat breast cancer, whether early stage, advanced or recurrent. All breast health services are offered in a single facility. Breast cancer surgeons, radiation oncologists and medical oncologists focus their practice primarily or exclusively on breast cancer, enabling them to understand the nuances of the disease.

• Breast cancer patients receive comprehensive care from an interdisciplinary team of experienced surgeons, medical oncologists, radiation oncologists, plastic surgeons, radiologists and pathologists. Other vital team members include a breast cancer clinical nurse specialist, specially trained breast cancer nurses, clinical nurse specialist in psych-oncology, psychologists, board-certified genetic counselor, cancer dietitians and social workers.

• The latest imaging technology — digital mammography, breast ultrasound and breast MRI — is available to capture early stage cancer or precancerous lesions as well as recurrences; images are read by highly experienced, board-certified radiologists.

• Prompt access for referred patients; work closely with referring physicians to coordinate treatment and follow-up care; consultations available

• Treatment options include breast-sparing surgery (highest rate of breast conservation treatment in Wisconsin), skin-sparing mastectomy, Sentinel Lymph Node Mapping, MammoSite® breast-sparing radiation therapy, prone radiation, HDR brachytherapy, chemotherapy and hormone therapy, breast reconstruction surgery (TRAM, DIEP flap and SIEA flap breast reconstruction) and other options. Adjuvant therapies are always considered for maximum prevention of recurrence.

• At regular interdisciplinary tumor board case conferences, the full spectrum of specialists discuss and plan treatment for each patient.

• Patients have access to clinical trials. Medical College of Wisconsin breast cancer physicians participate in significant research to find new and more effective treatments for breast cancer.

• Physical medicine and rehabilitation specialists address lymphedema, shoulder problems and related pain.

• Breast Cancer High-Risk Assessment service assesses a woman’s risk factors and develops personalized breast health plans to reduce risk; includes genetic counseling and BRCA testing when warranted.

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we work with you

Our physicians and staff work closely with referring physicians to coordinate treatment, as well as follow-up care. The Breast Cancer team provides an initial evaluation report after the patient’s first visit and subsequent progress reports. Consultations are available.

contact us

To refer a patient, or receive more information about the Froedtert & The Medical College of Wisconsin Breast Cancer Program, please call 414-805-0505 or 866-680-0505. If you desire a physician consultation, please call 414-805-4700 or 877-804-4700. You can also learn more about our programs and physicians at froedtert.com/cancer.