

Robotic Assisted Gynecology Surgeon Team Leaders



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Robotic-Assisted Gynecologic Surgery

Minimally Invasive Surgery
using the state-of-the-art
da Vinci® Surgical System

da Vinci® Robotic-Assisted Surgery

Surgeons at Good Samaritan Medical Center have mastered the da Vinci® Surgical System to provide patients with all the benefits that are proven to be associated with minimally invasive robotic-assisted surgery.

Advances in robotic-assisted surgery have also transformed gynecologic surgery, including general gynecology and urogynecology. The da Vinci Surgical System enables Good Samaritan's surgeons to perform even the most complex and delicate procedures through very small precise incisions instead of larger incisions across the abdomen. Smaller incisions allow you to return to your normal day-to-day activities quicker.

Benefits of Robotic-Assisted Surgery

da Vinci® Surgery offers many potential benefits over traditional open and laparoscopic gynecological surgery, including:

- Faster recovery and shorter hospital stay
- Smaller incisions with fewer stitches and less scarring
- Lower risk of complications and infections
- Less blood loss
- Quicker return to normal activities



Gynecologic Conditions and Urogynecological Disorders We Treat Using da Vinci® Robotic-Assisted Surgery

At Good Samaritan Medical Center, robotic-assisted surgery is used for treatment of gynecologic conditions and urogynecological disorders, including fibroids, endometriosis and pelvic organ prolapse.

Uterine Fibroids

A uterine fibroid is a common type of benign tumor that can grow inside and outside the uterus. They are most common in women ages 30 to 50, but can occur at any age. Not all women experience symptoms due to fibroids. When symptoms are present, they may include excessive menstrual bleeding, pelvic pain, frequent urination and difficulty getting pregnant.

Endometriosis

Endometriosis is a condition in which the tissue that lines the uterus (the endometrium) also grows outside the uterus. This tissue is found most often in the pelvic area, but in rare cases, develops in other parts of the body. Endometriosis is most common in women of reproductive age and many women have no symptoms, but for others, endometrial tissue can cause irregular bleeding, infertility and pelvic pain.

Pelvic Organ Prolapse

Pelvic organ prolapse is a pelvic floor disorder where the muscles and ligaments supporting a woman's pelvic organs weaken causing the pelvic organs to drop lower in the pelvis, creating a bulge in the vagina (prolapse). Women most commonly develop pelvic organ prolapse years after having children, after a hysterectomy or after menopause. The disorder is treated by a urogynecologist.